

SFGHMC CHIEF OF STAFF REPORT

Presented to the JCC-SFGH on July 8, 2014

(06/09/14 Combined Leadership and Business MEC)

ADMINISTRATION/LEADERSHIP:

- Approval of 2014 Medication Error Reduction Plan –MEC reviewed and approved the 2014 Medication Error Reduction Plan presented by Dr. Neal Benowitz for the P&T Committee. The plan included initiatives and goals in the following areas: Prescribing, Prescription Order Communication, Product Labeling, Compounding, Education, and Use. Dr. Benowitz discussed each of these procedures/systems, their evaluation/assessment and plan modifications.
- Medical Staff Orientation – The hospital's Department of Education and Training (DET) alerted MEC about the low attendance rate for new medical staff members in employee orientation. Attendance to hospital orientation is a Joint Commission requirement for all employees, including Active, Courtesy and Affiliated staff. Following discussion, MEC approved DET's recommendation that new active medical staff members complete a half day on-site orientation prior to start of clinical activities. New Courtesy and Volunteer staff will be required to complete orientation in Moodle, an online module already in place. MEC also approved the compliance monitoring plan developed by the Credentials Committee with the orientation requirement. Plans for implementation are ongoing, with a targeted start date on August 1, 2014.
- Glucose Measurement in Critical Settings – Dr. Eberhard Fiebig alerted MEC that CMS and FDA are currently looking into the concern that point of care fingerstick glucose testing may yield unreliable results in critically ill patients. Glucose testing in these patients should therefore be performed in the central laboratory. Which patients fall in the "critically ill" category has not been established. Dr. Fiebig is in discussion with UCSF and SFVA Med Center laboratories on coming up with a consensus approach to this issue among the UCSF teaching hospitals. He is reaching out to SFGH critical care providers to participate in the discussions

CLINICAL SERVICE REPORTS:

None