

Reducing Wasted Supplies

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Purpose

- **Project Purpose:** To review current literature and determine if findings are applicable in the burn center.

PICO QUESTION

Will different education strategies increase compliance with measures to reduce costs of wasted supplies in isolation rooms?

P: Pilot unit-Burn Center

I : Intervention-Provide education with the goal of reducing costs

C: Compare costs before and after intervention

O: Expected Outcome: Consistently see lowered wasted supplies costs

EVIDENCE

- _Current goal of supply waste per patient on discharge is \$25
- _Evaluation of data shows costs currently at \$29
- _Observation shows staff gathering supplies from shift to shift without assessing need for those items
- _Staff are not assessing if patient dressings may be changed to different product, causing waste of supplies currently in the room

BARRIERS & STRATEGIES

- **Barrier: Old habits, perceived efficiency, and availability of resources**
- **Strategy to Overcome: Develop inventory sheets in rooms, add assessment of injuries to report, and add additional burn carts**

Expected Outcomes

- _To increase staff communication
- _To observe wasted supply costs at goal of \$25
- _To increase staff cooperation

PROJECT PLANS



References



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