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How Do We Get There? Using a QI Approach to Successfully Implement and Monitor an ERAS (ERC) Program

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Workshop Objectives

- Upon completion, participants will be able to discuss the ERC (Enhanced Recovery Canada) recommendations and compare them to what is being done in their own institution
- 2. Upon completion, participants will be able to discuss challenges in effective implementation of ERC, including building excitement, interprofessional teamwork and program measurement
- Upon completion, participants will be able to identify potential strategies to improve ERC recommendation adoption and maintenance

Enhanced Recovery

Active Patient Involvement

Pre-operative	Intra-operative	Post-operative
•Pre-admission education	Active warming	•Early oral nutrition
•Early discharge planning	Opioid-sparing technique	•Early ambulation
•Reduced fasting duration	•Surgical techniques	•Early catheter removal
Carbohydrate loading	•Avoidance of prophylactic NG tubes & drains	•Use of chewing gum
•No/selective bowel prep		Defined discharge criteria
•Venous thromboembolism prophylaxis	•Pain & nausea management	
Antibiotic prophylaxis	•Goal directed peri-operative fluid management	
•Pre-warming		
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Whole Team Involvement

Who is in the Room?

- Who has not started implementation?
- Who has implemented a few items?
- Who has implemented most items?
- Who has met barriers?
- Who is doing measurement?
- Who is in a leadership role? (authority to make changes for your group)
- What are your goals for this session?

Overview of ERAS Workshop

- 5 minute quick summaries of recommendations
 - Fluid management
 - Pain management
 - Data collection and adherence
- Review of quality improvement basics
- Time to formulate thoughts and questions
- 45 minutes to discuss barriers and solutions (Q and A)
- More time to revise plan to take home

5 minute Summaries

- Fluids
- Pain
- Data and adherence

QI Basics

- Canadian Patient Safety Institute (CPSI)
 - Website with useful tools
 - Getting Started Kit (GSK)
 - Project Charter
- CAS website
 - Will post link to useful websites
 - Materials from today





QI Basics

- Need to collect data: process measures, outcome measures, balancing measures
- Need to collect stories
- Don't make assumptions go read the pamphlets yourself, do a walk through from patient perspective or nursing perspective
- Expect resistance and plan how to deal with them (ignore, leadership involved, slow change)



Timeline Expectations

- Projects this size usually take at least 3 years of serious effort
 - year 1 gather team and start collecting baseline data
 - year 2 implement changes, collect data
 - year 3 sustain changes, collect data

 Note: actual data collected may change over time, but always collecting data

Websites to get more detailed info



CAS website will have links to these materials

- ✓ CPSI and ERC http://www.patientsafetyinstitute.ca/
- ✓ ERAS Society http://erassociety.org/
 International site
- ✓ BC https://enhancedrecoverybc.ca/
 Guidelines, forms, sample reports, PPTs, videos, order sets, care pathways
- ✓ McGill http://www.muhcpatienteducation.ca/surgery-guides/surgery-patient-guides.html?sectionID=31
- ✓ Toronto http://bestpracticeinsurgery.ca/

Lessons Learned

- Can implement all bundle items at once or in sequence but need to implement all as much as possible, allowing for some modification to fit center
- Can go back to original research to guide the decision on modifications from bundle
- If people are barriers, keep going up the chain till you find strong support

Time to Think

- Take 5 minutes to think about an idea to take home and start to fill out project charter
 - What can you change?
 - What do you want to work on?
 - Do you have authority/influence to change this?

 Think about questions for our panel: What are your barriers? What do you need to help you?

Q and A

Revise Your Plan

- Based on what you have heard, take some time to review your Project Charter and make changes and/or additions
- Prepare to share your ideas