

Reducing resident falls and occurrence of urinary tract infections by creating a process for communicating resident changes in condition between caregivers and nurses

PROJECT PLAN OVERVIEW:

After educating staff and residents to the impact that early communication of changes in condition can have in preventing future events:

- Implementation of a communication/handoff tool that service partners can utilize to notify nurses of changes in condition
- Daily monitoring of tool utilization and barriers to utilization
 - Communication Board
 - Clock Diagram
 - Care Calendars
- Review of events to see if use of communication/handoff tool was utilized
 - If not used, identify barriers.
 - If used, identify any possible opportunities.
- After one month:
 - Assess tool usage and impact on event rates of occurrence.
 - Assess data for correlations or signs of improvement.
- Re-evaluate in six months.



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Change of Condition Report

Caregiver Name: Date / Time: Resident Name:	(Shaded section for RN or Administrator only)		
<p style="text-align: center; color: red; font-weight: bold;">What change do you notice?</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">(circle the change and give form to nurse or administrator)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Looks sick Tired Weak Confused Agitated Drowsy Skin color Needs more help than usual Not eating Not drinking Talking less Weight change Other 	Action Needed	Administrator or RN Name	Date / Time
	Action Taken		
	Documented? Communicated?		
	Evaluation		