SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION OF SBAR HANDOFF COMMUNICATION TOOLS IN THE PERIANESTHESIA/ PERIOPERATIVE SETTING

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Background information - Sentinel event that involved an anesthesia provider and orderly bringing patient into the Operating Room prior to serum HCG result.

Objective - Provide safe patient care at all levels of patient handoff in the Peri Anesthesia/ Peri-Operative settings

Process - Piloted with SBAR handoff communication tool to be used during “Pre Op huddle” involving pre-op RN, circulating RN and anesthesia provider. Eventually led to SBAR handoff communication tools at every level of care in the Peri Anesthesia/ Peri Operative setting.

Statement of the successful practice - SBAR handoff communication tools will be utilized during all levels of patient handoff in the Peri Anesthesia/ Peri Operative settings at Aria Health to ensure safe delivery of care to all of our patients.

Implications for advancing the practice - Ensuring the safe delivery of care for all patients in all procedural areas.