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Improving Postoperative Pain Control in Outpatient Orthopedic Patients
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Creating Post-operative Discharge Instructions: An Educational Improvement Project
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Developing a Communication System within a Preoperative Admitting Team
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A Case Presentation Program for Perianesthesia Nurses
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Specialized Care of the Bariatric Patient in the Perianesthesia Setting
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A Proactive Approach for the Care of Isolation Patients in the Periop Setting
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Surgeryland: An Interactive Game for Surgery Preparation
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Creation and Review of Quality Assurance Tracking Tool for Interventional Radiology PACU Located Remote to Main PACU/OR
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Advance Practice Nurses - Collaborating to Improve the Child and Family Surgical Experience to Enhance Patient Outcomes
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Tele-Interpreting Video Monitor Provides "Realtime" Translation
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PASS to PACU: Pre-Anesthesia Surgical Screening to Post Anesthesia Care Unit Communication Tool
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Building and Maintaining a Team in the PACU
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Focused on the Family in a Pediatric Surgical Liaison Program
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Fluid Volume Deficit Calculation in the PACU Setting
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The Nurse Practitioner Role in Assessing and Implementing Evidence Based Medication Strategies for High Risk Pre-Operative Patients
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PONV: An Ounce of Prevention is Worth a Pound of Cure
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Decreasing the Number of Cancellations on the Day of Surgery
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Interventions for Maintaining Skin Integrity in the Patients Undergoing Total Knee Repair Across the Continuum of Care During Hospitalization
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Growing Our Leadership: Core Charge Nurse Initiative
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Improve Communication Among Caregivers: Eliminating Unauthorized Abbreviations on the Hospital Medical Record
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Patient Education of Epidural Pain Control
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Facilitating Change Using a Professional Practice Model (PPM)
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Care of the Obese Surgical Outpatient
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SAFETY: Building a Unit-Based Safety Culture through Partnership
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Safety Reporting: Learning to Speak Out
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SAFETY: Supporting Role in the Hospital SSI Implementation Program
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Algorithm Guides Safe and Consistent Care of Phase I Patients on PACU Hold
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The Magical Journey Towards Family Focused Care
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Perioperative Communication with Families
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Creating an Evidence-Based Perioperative Environment: The Transition from Razors to Clippers
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Quality Improvement Initiative for Glycemic Control in the Surgical Patient Population
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Implementing Pre-Operative Antibiotic Timing to Reduce Surgical Site Infections
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