

## **SCIP COMPLIANCE: CASHING IN FOR THE WIN**

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**Background:** Baptist Health Louisville has been measuring compliance with the CMS Surgical Care Improvement Project (SCIP) for many years. One of the components of SCIP, which is also a Value Based Purchasing (VBP) indicator, is SCIP 2. This indicator regulates appropriate preoperative prophylactic antibiotic selection, which has historically been a challenge in our large institution due to physician's preferences and surgeon specific order sets.

**Objectives:** To transform preoperative surgeon specific order sets to SCIP order sets which contain a limited number of antibiotic choices based on surgery type. This will enhance evidence based practice, guide compliance with the SCIP measures, and positively impact the VBP score.

**Process of Implementation:** After obtaining approval from the Chief Medical Officer and Director of the Quality Department, a multi-disciplinary team began working with specific general surgeons. Collaboratively, a streamlined order set with minimal antibiotic options consistent with SCIP guidelines was created. The team then met with general surgeons' office staff to provide education and guidance for implementation.

**Statement of the Successful Practice:** Working as a multi-disciplinary team can design a standardized approach to ensure compliance with SCIP guidelines.

**Implications for advancing the practice of perianesthesia nursing:** Perianesthesia nursing is involved in ensuring compliance with various quality measures such as SCIP which enhances patient safety and leads to better patient outcomes. While nurses are not solely responsible for antibiotic selection, nurses are members of multi-disciplinary teams that are responsible for helping to provide the best evidence based care possible.