

## **Library Services Promotes PeriAnesthesia Success**

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### **Abstract Background Information:**

- The Clinical Nurse Education Specialist collaborated with the Clinical Information Librarian to increase knowledge and use of certification review materials.
- Clinical Nurses were unaware of free available resources they could acquire from the library for study materials.
- Use of the library resources was relatively low among clinical nurses before the librarian's tenure.
- With updated clinical perioperative resource library materials, there was an increased use of evidence-based resources and knowledge within the periAnesthesia setting.

### **Objectives of Project:**

- Review available resources suggested by American Board of PeriAnesthesia Nursing Certification and American Society of PeriAnesthesia Nurses organization, complimented by academic library resources relevant to periAnesthesia nursing.
- Examine the impact and benefit of providing shoulder to shoulder support in reviewing free and available studying materials.
- Understand how Education and Library Services partnership can help increase certification rates within the Perianesthesia unit.
- How to utilize Library Services to support evidence-based practice within PeriAnesthesia.

**Process of Implementation:** A periAnesthesia specific clinical nursing guide was created, accessible onsite and from home, including paper and electronic resources. The Nurse Educator and Clinical Librarian worked together to ensure collection development in support of periAnesthesia nursing priorities. The Nurse Educator and Clinical Librarian met with the clinical nurse to provide shoulder to shoulder support for certification studying material.

**Statement of Successful Practice:** In the three years since the Clinical Librarian joined the hospital:

- 13 clinical nurses have become certified in PeriAnesthesia nursing including new-to-practice and new-to-specialty nurses.
- PeriAnesthesia Nursing is the 3rd most frequently used page on the clinical nursing library guide
- 10% of all incoming literature review requests to the librarian were initiated from Perianesthesia clinical nurses.

### **Implications for Advancing the Practice of Perianesthesia Nursing:**

- Collaboration with the Clinical Librarian led to an increased use of evidenced-based resources in the periAnesthesia setting.

- By creating streamlined access to periAnesthesia nursing resources, clinical staff have ease of access and studying material for learning needs and certification prep. Knowing what is available and how to access, clinical nurses had increased confidence in certification prep and resulted in an overall increase in certification rates within the unit.
- Offering shoulder to shoulder support builds confidence and empowers engagement for the clinical nurse.