

Allegheny Health Network Wexford Hospital - Wexford, Pennsylvania

Introduction/Problem



Opening a new hospital with diverse staff, the lack of preexisting relationships, and shared purpose led to communication breakdowns, reduced accountability, and compromised patient safety.

Purpose



To enhance communication and collaboration between Pre/Post nurses and CRNAs, improving patient safety, work environment, and staff satisfaction.

Method

Establish RN/CRNA partnership with dedicated

representatives.

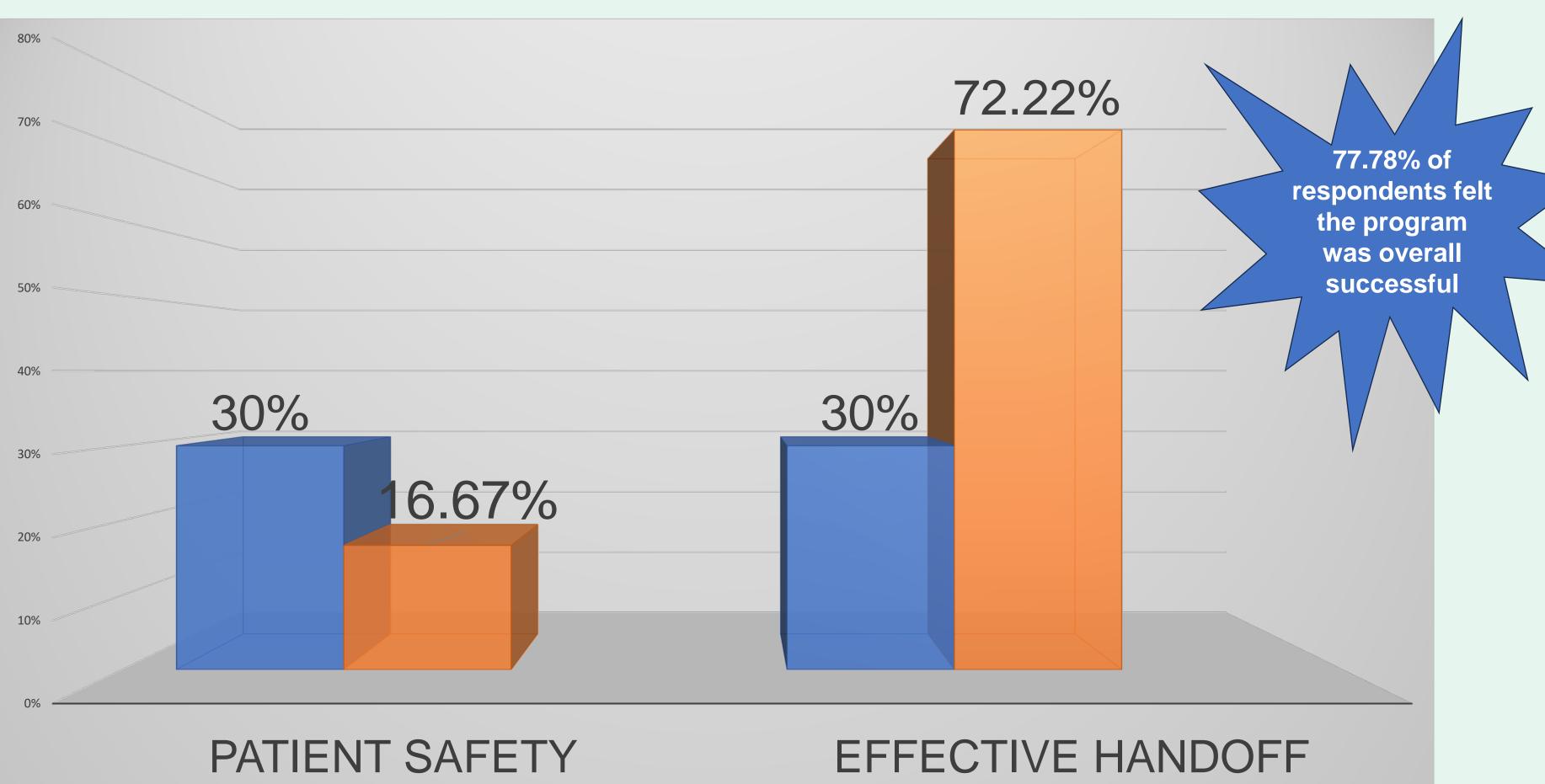
- Held monthly meetings to address workflow issues, and educational gaps.
- Appointed champions as staff points of contact.
- Provided shadowing opportunities and tailored educational sessions.

Teamwork Makes the Dream Work: **Enhancing Patient Safety Through Interprofessional Collaboration**

Team Leaders: Amanda Boleky MSN RN, Erika Cej MSN RN, Jennifer Duffy BSN RN Team Members: Lisa Brienza MSN CRNA, Ashley Davis MSN CRAN, Gianna Labarbera MSN CRNA, Jennifer Pinkerton BSN RN, CRNA Team, Pre/Post Team



Outcome



CONCERNS DUE TO COMMUNICATION BREAKDOWNS

Pre-Survey Findings

COMMUNICATION

Post-Survey Findings

Effective teamwork and communication are critical for patient safety. Strengthening RN/CRNA relationships improved collaboration and patient care quality.

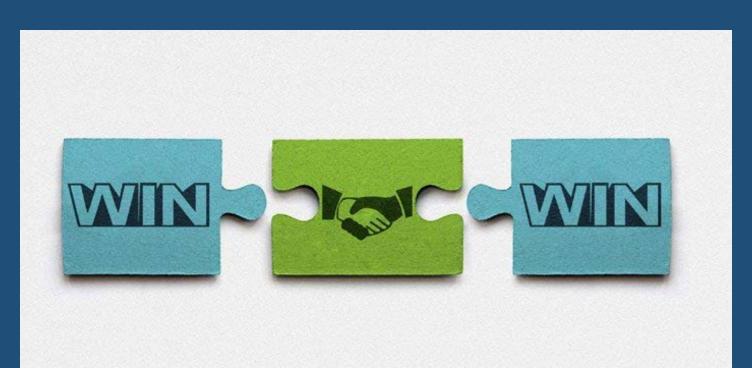
Collaboration between perioperative nurses and CRNAs is essential for safe, effective care. Open communication and mutual respect create a thriving healthcare environment.

Improved resource use and patient outcomes.

Discussion



Conclusion



Implications

✓ Efficient task delegation and smoother procedures.

Early error detection and enhanced safety.

Future Potential:

Expand collaboration models across specialties.