The Op-Note is the newsletter of the Peri-Operative Surgical Home, a multi-disciplinary project at Phoenix Indian Medical Center. Check POSH out on the web at http://azhin.org/pimc/posh.

Welcome to the new Op-Note!

This is the new format of the Op-Note. We hope you like it. The Op-Note is published when needed (at least monthly) to keep you up to date on everything-POSH. If you have suggestions for contributions for the Op-Note, please let us know.

Website

We keep adding content to the website, so please check it out. The newest feature is a "Breaking POSH News" box on the home page, which lists up-to-date news so it doesn't get buried in other tabs. News of publications, awards, and other important POSH events are listed here first!

EHR

EHR A&P Documentation is LIVE! Thanks to everyone for going through the process of training and testing. We successfully completed our A&P documentation for the first time for the patient who was discussed on 4/8/14. All documentation going forward will be completed on EHR. Remember that the first person on the list for your department will get the notification. If your designate is on leave and you do not have access to the chart, please email Dr. Powell and we will add you as an additional signer to the POSH A&P note. We still have some kinks to work out on the notification process, so we will discuss at the meeting. Also, please note that the guides to the documentation are always available on the POSH website under the "EHR" tab.

Early Mobilization

We've hit the home stretch of the chair selection and ordering process. Three vendors brought chairs to PIMC for us to test. We then met last week and created an order sheet for 3E, ICU, ER and respiratory therapy. We hope to have the product submission in by 4/30. Following that, we will be working on the program in general (order sets, advertisement, and education). More information as things develop. This has been a big effort and time investment on the part of the EM workgroup (Liza (chair), Karen, Les, Sasha, Donna, Dan, Greg, Joan, Dr. Kieran, and the nurses of 3E/ICU/ER), so please thank them for all of their extra work! (We had a little fun while we were at it.)
Education

The first POSH NetLearning experience was delivered to 80 staff members in inpatient pharmacy, nursing, respiratory therapy and integrated surgical services this month! So far, 65 out of 80 (or 81%) have completed the first training ("Essentials of Neck Surgery"). Kathleen is reminding those who have not completed it to do so, and is getting ready to deliver the next training module.

In addition, we published a new presentation in the "Essentials of Surgery" series this week entitled "Essentials of Post-Operative Care." This presentation is geared toward preventing and anticipating post-op complications. This will be placed on NetLearning. We are also working with Deb Lund (nursing education) and the nursing supervisors to set up inservices for nurses who work directly with post-op patients. For non-nursing departments, please email Dr. Powell if you would like an inservice for your department (on post-op care or any other topic).

Contribute to the Op-Note!

If you have any staff news, announcements or other items to contribute to the Op-Note, please email Dr. Powell! Also please let us know if you want yourself or a staff member added or removed from the list. We especially want to recognize staff members receiving awards or special recognition, so let us know. And don’t be modest!

Did you know? The entire Essentials of Surgery series is available on the website here.