

GSRMC Professional Nursing Care Committee

November 13th, 2013

Members present: Pam Gordon, Cindy Lathrom, Heidi Scheffel, Scott Shaw, Sarah Steffensen, Heidi White, and Sue Kobold

Special guests: Tara Gregory-ONA; Helen Collett, Corinne Howard, and Jax Dillon from HB 2800 committee

Chairperson: Pam Gordon

Recorder: Heidi Scheffel

- A. Previous minutes read and approved.
- B. Unsafe staffing: 2 new reports from the emergency department, one from 2SW, and one from OR.
- C. Last meeting we wrote down some of the major staffing issues from throughout the hospital. Today we reviewed them with our guests from ONA and the HB 2800 committee. We looked at a summary of the nurse staffing law and found areas that the hospital is not abiding by. ONA will start personally contacting people regarding unsafe staffing forms that are being filled out so they can get all the info they need.
- D. Instead of having managers free write responses to unsafe staffing, we are coming up with a series of questions they will answer instead. Hopefully this will allow us to get a better picture of what they could have done better in the unsafe situation.
- E. We need to revise our assignment sheets (and closed units need to come up with an assignment sheet) to reflect how much time nurses are spending in 1:1 situations either in the room (for blood/chemo, etc) or off the floor for code situations or CT/MRI with patients.
- F. Our next meeting will be Monday, November 25th, 2013, check the conference room schedule for location.

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