

PROFESSIONAL NURSING CARE COMMITTEE

Date: May 7th, 2012
Members Present: Pam Gordon, Cindy Lathrom, Kathy Weldon, Heidi Anderson, & Sue Riley
Chairperson: Kathy
Recorder: Sue

- A. Minutes from the last meeting were read and approved.
- B. Ambulatory Surgery Center: PNCC will handle workshop requests from ASC. The RN's will have 32 educational hours as do all the RNs' at GSRMC. They have the same amount of funds for education also. PNCC will be sending a Red Book with the proper forms and how to fill them out correctly and in a timely manner.
- C. Restructuring Changes: ONA is having a series of meetings in the next week to deal with the 12 hour shifts and other changes GSRMC is mandating. The Hospital promises to keep staff patient ratio at the same level it is now. ONA, as our representative, states that our contract requires notice by a specific period of time and that the schedules must be available 30 days in advance of any schedule changes. Consequently, we will not have the changes quite as quickly as Good Sam had anticipated. It would be wise for RNs' to attend these meetings.

We advise RNs' to make sure they fill out any Inadequate Staffing forms if they feel their staffing is not safe. It is difficult to fill out forms if you have been really busy and would like to go home and rest but nothing ever gets changed unless you have documentation to back up any concerns you may have.

Also Good Samaritan always gets positive feedback about our nursing staff which includes all patient care givers, (CNA's, RN's, Unit Clerks and Clinical Coordinators). We will continue to give our patients the best possible care during these difficult times.

- D. Workshop Training: We really need to train our new members in how to do Workshops. We have had snow delays (second day of spring) and illness delays. We are planning a training session this month.
- E. Social Media: Please be careful about anything you may want to post on Facebook. We know people are upset with the proposed restructuring but do not say anything in any public media which you may regret and could jeopardize your job.

Next meeting will be May 23rd from 1330 to 1500. Please check the Conference schedule for the location.

Please post on PNCC Board.