

The Role of Nursing Informatics in Achieving Magnet Designation



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Purpose

Demonstrate how nursing informatics (NI) contributes to Magnet status achievement, as less than 10% of healthcare institutions attain this honor. Focus on impact on VUMC - Adult Ambulatory Clinics' first Magnet designation.

Description

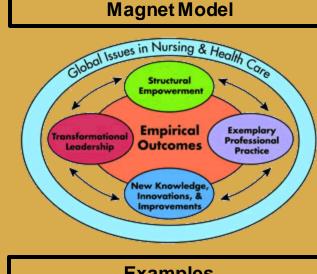
- ✤ NI coordinated with a group of frontline nurses and leaders to share informatics experiences and involvement with Magnet surveyors.
- NI created presentations to display the accomplishments of the organization's informatics initiatives.
- ✤ NI shared impact of informatics projects on institutional pillar goals and evidence of cross-collaboration.



Description

NI promotes ongoing informatics engagement utilizing the Magnet Model:

- Transformational Leadership: NI influences strategic planning and informatics projects are vetted based upon institutional goals aimed at optimizing patient outcomes.
- Structural Empowerment: NI promotes shared governance where bedside-nursing representatives provide input that directly affects the development and use of the electronic medical record.
- Exemplary Professional Practice: NI focuses on informatics competencies, monthly educational sessions, newsletters, and orientations for clinical staff.
- New Knowledge, Innovations, & Improvements: NI works with staff to implement new and enhance existing technology to promote positive outcomes.
- Empirical Outcomes: NI utilizes data to identify pain points and analyze effectiveness of changes.



Examples

- Improvement in Fall Risk Assessment completion in Primary Care Clinics through evaluation of documentation
- Implementation and improvement of barcode medication scanning rates in Ambulatory to improve patient and staff safety
- Implementation of paperless questionnaires in ambulatory clinics to reduce waste and improve appointment turnaround times
- Increased use of telehealth appointments and mobile patient portal to streamline patient care
- Growth of nursing representation in nursing informatics shared governance committees



- The organization achieved its fourth Magnet designation.
- VUMC Adult Ambulatory Clinics achieved its first Magnet designation.
- NI participated in four Magnet survey interviews in partnership with local nursing representatives from each entity.



VUMC Magnet 4th Designation





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