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Rick Combs
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**RE: Annual patient Safety Report per NRS 439.877
St. Rose Hospital – Siena Campus, De Lima Campus, San Martin Campus**

Dear Director Combs,

Pursuant to NRS 439.877 St. Rose Hospital is required to annually submit to your office a summary of its Patient Safety Committee Activities including information relating to the development, revision and usage of patient safety checklists and patient safety policies and a summary of the annual review conducted for the prior 12 month period. The following information is being provided in conformity with this requirement.

Establishment of Patient Safety Checklists: Pursuant to the provisions of NRS 439.877 the Patient Safety Committee adopted Patient Safety Checklists. These checklists are reviewed and modified as necessary based upon outcome and performance data on a yearly basis. Currently, St. Rose Hospital utilizes and monitors compliance with checklists covering numerous patient areas. These include Hand Hygiene, Patient Identification, Code Blue Cart Inspection, Central Line Insertion checklist.

Adoption of Policies, Procedures and Protocols: In conjunction with the checklists, St. Rose Hospital has developed and implemented policies, procedures and protocols to ensure compliance with the letter and intent of the checklists. A list of the current policies covering the above- referenced checklists include, but are not limited to the following:

Patient Safety

- Patient Safety Checklists
- Patient Safety Plan

Hand Hygiene and Infection Control

- Policy Number - 100.5.011, Hand Hygiene

Emergency Carts

- Policy Number – NA, Crash Cart Management

Patient identification

- Policy Number – NA, Patient Identification

Fall Prevention

- Policy Number – 100.5.015 Fall Prevention and Management Policy

Patient Discharge

- Policy Number – 100.8.041, Care Coordination Discharge Planning

Patient Safety Compliance: During the calendar year 2018-2019 the hospital Patient Safety Officer in conjunction with the hospital Quality Management and Risk Management Departments and Nursing leadership conducted reviews of staff and physician compliance with established patient safety checklists, including the ones referenced above. These reviews included direct surveillance, clinical process reviews and root cause analysis.

Patient Safety Committee: Information reviewed included:

- Risk Management Plan and Patient Safety reports
- Fall Prevention and Safe Patient Handling
- National Patient Safety Goal – Safe Environment
- Infection Prevention/Handwashing Education
- Patient Safety Rounds
- Medication Safety
- Equipment Safety
- Crash Cart Safety and Equipment
- Maternal Child Center Safety Checklists to include Discharge Checklist
- Safety of Hand-off Communication
- Progression of Care Checklist
- Legal 2000 Safety Checklist
- Patient Identification and Hand Hygiene Policy
- Imaging Department Safety Precautions
- Informed Consent Policy
- Discharge Checklist

- Assessment and Safety of the Patient's Skin
- Patient Bed Alarm Safety
- Armband Safety in the Maternal Child Center
- 2019 National Patient Safety Goals
- Packer Tracker Orifice Packing Hand-off Communication and Tracking Tool Checklist

If you have any questions regarding the hospital's patient safety checklists or its quality programs, please feel free to contact me at your earliest opportunity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rose Wetzel', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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