



June 30, 2019

Rick Combs
Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau
401 S. Carson Street
Carson City, NV 89701-4747
Re: Annual Patient Safety Report per NRS 439.877
University Medical Center

Dear Director Combs:

Pursuant to NRS 439.877, please accept this correspondence as University Medical Center's annual review and summary of its Patient Safety Committee activities including information related to the development, revision and usage of patient safety checklists and policies conducted for the time period of July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019.

- **Establishment of Patient Safety Checklists:** The Patient Safety Committee has adopted Patient Safety Checklists. These checklists are reviewed and modified as necessary on a yearly basis based upon outcome and performance data. University Medical Center utilizes, monitors, and has reviewed the following patient safety checklists:
 - Hand Hygiene/PPE
 - Patient Identification
 - Code Blue Cart Inspection
 - Central Line Insertion
 - Urinary Catheterization
 - Stroke
 - Surgical/ Invasive Procedures
 - Restraints
 - Sepsis
 - Chest Pain
 - Discharge Instructions

- Interfaculty Transfers
- Blood Product Administration
- **Adoption of Policies, Procedures and Protocols:** In conjunction with the checklists, University Medical Center has developed and implemented policies, procedures and protocols to ensure compliance with 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
 - DIR 77 Skin Breakdown Prevention
 - I-192 Universal Protocol for Surgical and Invasive Procedures
 - **Hand Hygiene and Infection Control**
 - IC.4.0 Hand Hygiene
 - Infection Control Plan
 - IC.4.0 Standard-Transmission Based Precautions
 - DIR 105 Central Line Venous Access Device
 - DIR 17 Urinary Bladder: Indwelling-Insertion, Care & Maintenance of; Intermittent catheterization; Bladder Scanner use;
 - **Emergency Carts**
 - I-31.1 Emergency Carts
 - **Patient identification**
 - I-176 Patient Identification
 - **Fall Prevention**
 - DIR 110 Fall Prevention
 - **Patient Discharge**
 - 1-24.1 Discharge of Patients

Patient Safety Compliance: During the time period of July 1, 2018 – June, 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 those referenced above. These reviews included direct surveillance, clinical process reviews and root cause analysis.

If you have any questions regarding the hospital's patient safety checklists or its Patient Safety Program, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patti Stopka". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the left of the typed name and title.

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