September 2021
Quality Insights Newsletter Bulletin

Employee Pharmacy
- Traditional Plan = $5 dollar discount on Tier 2 & 3 Medications
- Free weekly delivery to offsite locations
- Employees can deduct up to $250 per pay period
- Utilize the employee pharmacy to help keep costs down for all members
- Any questions? Please reach out!
- 985-898-4432 M-F 7:00 AM – 5:30 PM

Advanced Care Planning
- Conversation should start in the outpatient setting
- Use outpatient palliative care when appropriate
- It may take several conversations, don’t give up
- It is required for BPCI-a patients and Medicare ACO patients
- Consult in-patient palliative care when needed

Transition of Care
- Homes visits by staff address medication issues, social determinants to health, appointment info, and unmet medical needs
- Requires a post discharges 48-hour phone call
- Moderate to high-risk score in EPIC qualifies patient for automatic referral
- Does not take the place of home health

Wellness Visits
- Needs to occur once a year
- These reduce admits and re-admits
- Improve risk scores
- Close gaps in care for chronic disease as well as colorectal, breast, and cervical cancer
- Medication review
- Addresses social determinants of health

Reducing Readmissions
- Transitional care home visit within 7 days of discharge for moderate to high-risk patients, and clinic visit within 7-14 days for all other patients
- Advanced care planning for all adult admissions
- Medication reconciliation before discharge
- Address social determinants of health issues

Important Dates to Remember

CME Lecture
Sept. 14th 5:30pm via Zoom
General Hematology Malignancies
- Andrew Dalovisio, MD

CME Lecture
Sept. 23rd 5:30pm via Zoom
Documentation Pitfalls
- Kenneth Ahe,M.D.

CME Lecture
Sept. 28th 5:30pm via Zoom
Laboratory and Blood Bank Management of the Bleeding OB Patient
- Beverly Ogden, MD

Please RSVP to Sarah Gallaher via email sgallaher@sth.org or direct dial (985) 898-4052 for the above CME opportunities.

The Gala
Nov. 4th 7:00pm
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Step into your dancing shoes and join St. Tammany Hospital Foundation for THE Gala presented by HUB International on Thursday, November 4th at Tchefuncta Country Club in Covington. Proceeds support the crucial programs that provide a comprehensive cancer care experience for patients of St. Tammany Health System and Ochsner Health in their groundbreaking collaborative approach to integrated cancer care right here where patients most want to be – HOME.

STHS Readmissions 2021

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STQN Board of Directors

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Please log in to get the highlights of committee meetings, links to important sites, and presentations from internal meetings, videos from recently presented educational events and even a glossary of terms.

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