



2022 Patient Safety Community Report

As a resource for healthcare in our community, Rush Foundation Hospital has continued to focus on providing safe, quality care for our patients. We continue to work towards being a high reliability organization with a strong focus on patient safety. Our goal as an organization is to achieve such designation by promoting a “just culture”. To achieve a just culture, our leadership teams focus on reporting safety events and near misses while supporting human errors in a way that focuses on implementing processes to prevent those errors from occurring rather than taking punitive actions against the employee.

As we continue to promote increased safety event reporting and promoting a just culture, we have taken further initiatives to focus on specific patient safety measures. Below you will find a few of our patient safety focuses for 2022 and our current progress on meeting and sustaining those goals.

Patient Safety Measure	Summary Description	Progress
Inpatient Falls Prevention	As a facility, we review inpatient falls monthly. As individual departments throughout the facility, we focus on identifying patients at risk for falls, incorporating fall risk prevention measures, and drill down immediately when a patient falls. These drill downs allow us to identify patient safety issues contributing to the fall and promptly intervene. We have changed fall risk assessments to now have a patient specific approach that incorporates interventions based on specific risk factors rather than generalized interventions and incorporated the use of low fall beds and floor mats to help prevent injury during falls.	On target
Medication Safety: Barcode Medication Administration	Barcode medication administration is a tool that ensures patients are receiving the correct medications at the appropriate time and electronically validating the medications. As a facility, we evaluate this on a weekly basis and work to ensure our barcode medication administration percentages remain on target. We have increased our goal from 95% to 99%.	On target
Medication Safety: Computerized Physician Medication Order Entry	Computerized physician medication order entry ensures providers enter medication orders through Epic which offers additional functions that alert for drug interactions, drug allergy checks, helps to ensure correct dosage of medications, and prompts the provider to order additional services for the patient based on the medications ordered. As a facility, we work with providers weekly to meet CPOE targets.	On target