PQI EXAMPLES

Please note that the Board has voted to replace the requirement for mandatory database participation with a Practice Quality Improvement (PQI) project. The Board is requiring Diplomates to participate in a PQI project beginning in January 2016. A description of the process and examples of PQI projects can be found below.

- Aggregate Root Cause Analysis for Delays in Diagnosis and Treatment
- Amiodarone Prophylaxis to Reduce Postoperative Atrial Fibrillation
- Blood Conservation for Adult Cardiac Surgery
- CHF Re-admission Project
- Clinical Pathway Development
- Compliance with AJCC Staging and NCCN Guidelines During Prospective Oncology Treatment
- Confirm Follow Up Appointment Prior to Discharge
- CT Surgery Length of Stay Reduction
- DVT Reduction Protocol
- Early Extubation Scorecard and Change in Practice Patterns
- Glycemic Control of CV Surgery Patients
- Home Monitoring of High Risk Infants with Congenital Heart Disease
- Implementation of Protocolized Rapid Ventilator Weaning after CABG
- Implication of Early Foley's Removal Protocol in Thoracic Cancer Surgery Patients
- Improving Multidisciplinary Participation at the Preoperative Pediatric Cardiac Surgery Conference
- Lean Process in OR - Two vs. One OR Rooms
- Line Infections in the PCTU
- Low Systemic Vascular Resistance Protocol
- Modifying Surgical Strategy to Improve Outcomes in Surgical Repair of Type A Aortic Dissection
- Preoperative Beta-Blocker in Patients with Isolated CABG Surgery
- Reduction of Postoperative Skin Pressure Ulcers
- Sternal Wound Infection Reduction
- Studying Readmissions Following Esophagectomy
- Surgical Care Improvement Project (SCIP) and Venous Thromboembolism Prevention Project (VTE)

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