



A HAPI Ending

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Project Purpose

Preventing hospital-acquired pressure injuries (HAPIs) in healthcare has been a challenge for many years. Our 220-bed Magnet facility has implemented a multitude of strategies over the years to prevent HAPIs. Despite the different strategies that have been implemented, the Medical-Telemetry department continued to see HAPIs develop during their patient's hospital stays.

The purpose of this project included the following three goals:

1. Reduce HAPIs on the Medical Telemetry Unit
2. Create a validation process to ensure assessments were being completed
3. Create a validation process to audit documentation of assessments

Development & Implementation

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- Implemented two-person skin assessments on Mondays and Thursdays
- Every day a list of patients that required skin assessments was compiled
- Staff signed off when assessments were completed
- Leaders validated completion in real time
- Chart audits were completed to validate documentation

Validation Tool

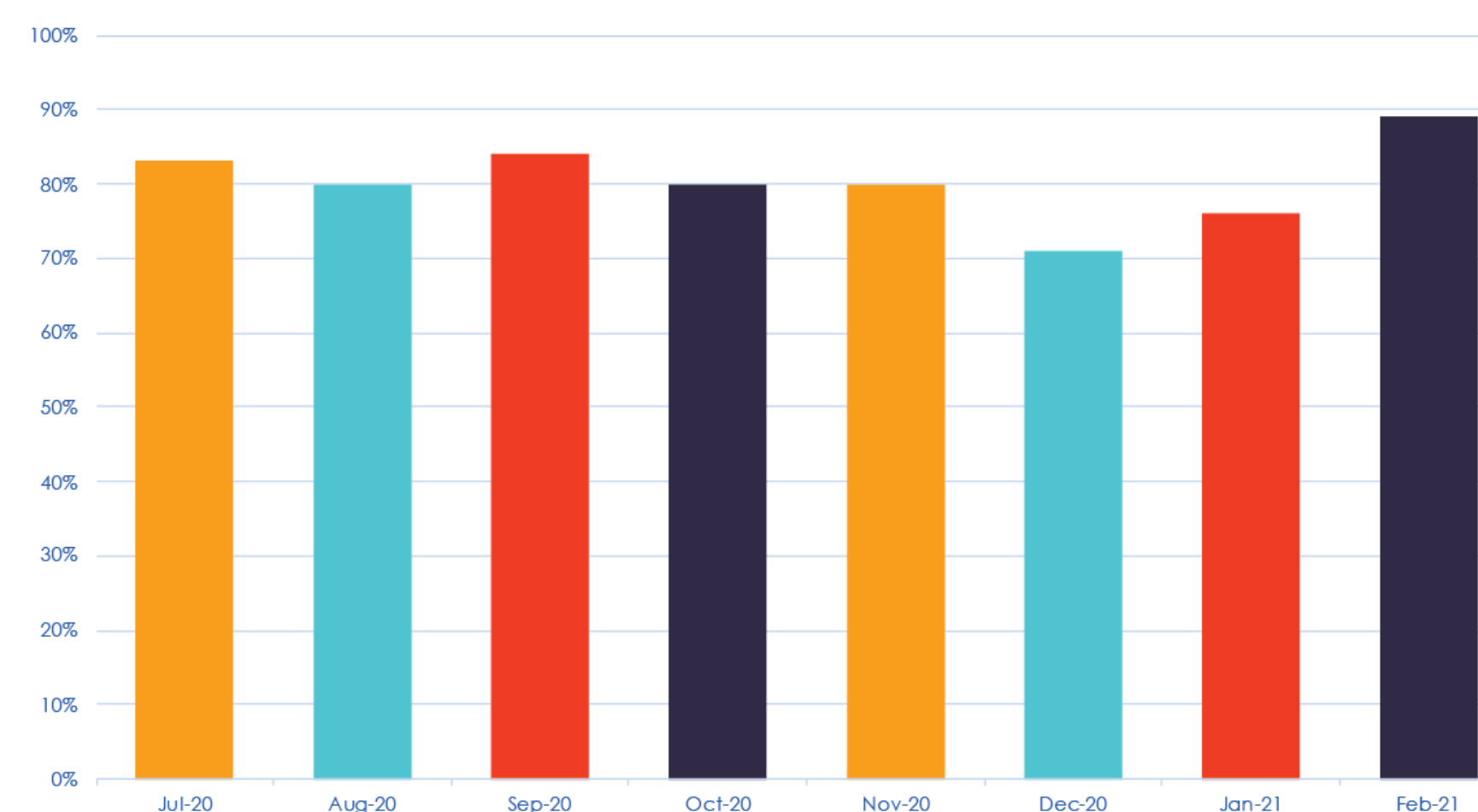
Room #s	MRN#	Braden Score	RN/PCT	Initials
4020	xxxxxx	15	Olivia/Nikki	
4010	xxxxxx	17	Avery/Tiyanna	
4017	xxxxxx	16	Chloe/Devon	

Outcomes

Inpatient Annual Number of HAPIs



Two-person Skin Assessment Compliance



Evidence-Based Practice

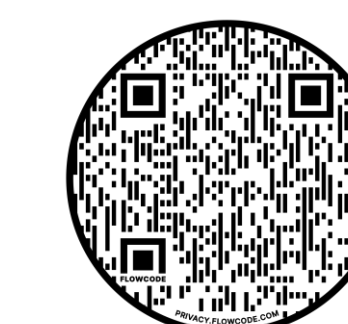
- 60,000 patient deaths and 17,000 lawsuits filed every year related to HAPIs³
- 50% reduction in HAPIs comes with a \$5 million a year savings³
- Develop comprehensive attainable and sustainable goals²
- Early recognition of skin changes and in HAPI prevention¹
- Embed in unit culture²

Application & Evaluation

This process would be suitable for any acute care setting in a hospital, rehabilitation facility, or long-term care setting

Next steps:

To further enhance this project, we anticipate moving to an electronic validation tool to eliminate manual chart audits.



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