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2011 Washington Awards of Excellence Nominees

Cascade Valley Hospital and Clinics, Arlington
Patient Safety Culture Improvement Project
Contact: Cindy Rodriguez at cindyr@cascadevalley.org

Central Washington Hospital, Wenatchee
Point of Service Scanning—Key Step to the Total Electronic Medical Record
Contact: Sharon Godfrey, RHIA at sharon.godfrey@cwhs.com

Columbia Basin Health Association, Othello*
Improving Tdap Vaccinations in Postpartum Patients
Contact: Dulcye Field at dulcyef@cbha.org

Colonial Vista Care Center, Wenatchee
Falling Star Program
Contact: Mary Yerratt, RN at colonialcaredns@frontiermgmt.com

CRISTA Senior Living/Cristwood Nursing & Rehabilitation Center, Seattle
Sustainable Cleaning—Stewardship for Today and Tomorrow
Contact: Luis Romo at lromo@crista.net

Franciscan Health System, Tacoma
Implementation of Evidence-Based Practice to Reduce Hospital Acquired Conditions Including CDIF, MRSA and CAUTI
Contact: Tony Haftel, MD at tonyhaftel@fhshealth.org

Group Health Cooperative, Tukwila*
Medication Reconciliation by Ambulatory Clinical Pharmacists Post Hospital Discharge
Contact: Meg Kilcup, PharmD at kilcup.m@ghc.org

Harborview Medical Center, Seattle*
Code Sepsis: Improving Survival in Sepsis with Early Identification and Activation of a Critical Care Team
Contact: Paula Minton-Foltz at pfoltz@uw.edu

Kadlec Regional Medical Center, Richland
Acute Care Bed Model
Contact: Kirk Harper at kirk.harper@kadlecmed.org

Kadlec Regional Medical Center, Richland
Empowering Nurses to Initiate Early Goal-Directed Sepsis Treatment
Contact: Tracy Hasty, RN, MSN, CCRN at hastyt@kadlecmed.org

Kadlec Regional Medical Center, Richland
Pressure Ulcer Prevention and Nursing Teaching Rounds
Contact: Tracy Hasty, RN, MSN, CCRN at hastyt@kadlecmed.org

Legacy Salmon Creek, Vancouver
Pneumonia Improvement Project
Contact: Cheryl Forry at cforry@lhs.org

Lincoln Hospital District #3, Davenport
A Partnership in Developing a Virtual Hospitalist Program in Eastern Washington
Contact: Thomas Martin at martint@lhd3.org

Multicare Good Samaritan Hospital, Puyallup
Transitions Care Management Program
Contact: Deena Hannen at deena.hannen@multicare.org

MultiCare Health System, Tacoma
Reduction of Central Line Associated Bloodstream Infections in Tacoma General ICU
Contact: Marcia Patrick, RN, MSN, CIC at marcia.patrick@multicare.org

MultiCare Tacoma General Hospital, Tacoma
In Hospital Code NEURO Process Improvement Project
Contact: Karen Kiesz at karen.kiesz@multicare.org

PeaceHealth St. Joseph Medical Center, Bellingham
CVU Discharge Process Improvement Project
Contact: Mark Lanci, MSW at mlanci@peacehealth.org or Jennifer Moyes, BS, RN at cmoyes@peacehealth.org



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Providence Regional Medical Center, Everett*
Implementation of Antimicrobial Therapy
Monitoring Service
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Providence Regional Medical Center, Everett
Patient Advisors
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Providence St. Peter Family Medicine, Olympia
Pain Management Improvement Project
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Puget Sound Healthcare, Olympia*
Pressure Ulcer Reduction
Contact: Mark Trangsrud at mtrangsrud@extendicare.com

Snoqualmie Valley Hospital and Clinics, Snoqualmie
Affordable Access
Contact: Debra Barrett at debrab@snoqualmiehospital.org

Swedish Health Services, Seattle*
Reducing Sepsis Mortality through Improved
Patient Transitions from Emergency Department
to Intensive Care Unit
Contact: Alta Ballard, MHA at alta.ballard@swedish.org

Tri-State Memorial Hospital & Medical Center, Clarkston
Cardiac Level One Protocol Implementation
Contact: Joleen Carper at jcarper@tristatehospital.org

University of Washington Medical Center, Seattle*
Infection Control Breakthrough Goal Project:
A Systems-Level Approach to Eliminating
Healthcare-Acquired MRSA, CLABSI, Respiratory
Virus Infections, VAP and CAUTI
Contact: Donna Henderson, BSN, MHA at matkaz@u.washington.edu

UW Medicine: University of Washington Medical Center and Harborview Medical Center, Seattle
Eliminate Hospital Acquired Central Line
Associated Bloodstream Infections: Central
Venous Catheter Workgroup
Contact: Vanessa Makarewicz at vamakar@u.washington.edu

Virginia Mason Medical Center, Seattle*
Improving the Safety, Efficiency and Effectiveness
of the Medication Administration Process
Contact: Joan Ching, RN, MN, CPHQ at joan.ching@vmmc.org

Virginia Mason Medical Center, Seattle
Surgery Attestation Timeout Checklist Process
Contact: Lynne Chafetz at lynne.chafetz@vmmc.org or
Rosemary Tempel at admrmt@vmmc.org

Walla Walla General Hospital, Walla Walla
Improving Emergency Center Length of Stay
and Time to Provider
Contact: Linda Givens, RN BSN at givensls@ah.org

Whitman Hospital and Medical Center, Colfax
Transforming Patient Care Team: Reduce
Unnecessary Rehospitalizations within
30 Days of Discharge
Contact: Denise Fowler, RN, MS at fowler@whmc.org

Yakima Valley Memorial Hospital, Yakima*
Outpatient Infusion Care—
Throughput Workout
Contact: Sandy Dahl at sandydahl@yvmh.org or
Russ Myers at russmyers@yvmh.org

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