
What are the Project Timelines?

Fall 2007

Focus Group and Interviews with each of our stakeholder groups

Winter 2007

Patient/ Client Chart Reviews

Spring 2008

Multidisciplinary strategizing through focus groups

Fall 2008

Final report and dissemination of results

What are the Anticipated Outcomes?

- To establish a transition process whereby the safety and access to community based services is assured
- To minimize the risk of adverse events occurring within the transition period from day hospital to community based care

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What is the Patient Safety in Day Hospital Transition Project About?

- An exploratory study intending to capture the perspectives of key stakeholders (clinicians, pharmacists, patients, caregivers, and policy makers) regarding the current process of discharge planning and communication between day hospital and community based providers

What does the Day Hospital Do?

- In Manitoba, community dwelling older adults are at an increased risk of negative health related outcomes and subsequently, adverse events.
- The Geriatric Day Hospital is a resource available to address the health and safety needs of older adults to reduce the risk of adverse events
- Literature indicates that between 46 - 79% of recommendations made by the day hospitals are implemented, leaving 21 - 54% of recommendations not implemented potentially placing patients/clients at risk

What are the Main Objectives of the Study?

- To delineate and understand the current discharge and communication process
- To develop multidisciplinary strategies to decrease older adults' risk of adverse events
- To generate a definition of an adverse event in day hospital clinical setting

How is the Study Being Conducted?

3 Phases:

- #1) Conducting initial focus groups and interviews
 - #2) Chart reviews
 - #3) A final round of multidisciplinary strategizing sessions to provide recommendations for improving day hospital discharge procedures
- Study results will be communicated to all health care providers, day hospital clients, caregivers, and regional/provincial policymakers

Why Your Involvement is Important?

- We value your opinion whether you are a primary care physician, a home care worker, a community pharmacist, a geriatrician, or a policy maker
- We want to work together with you to improve the discharge process from Day Hospitals

We hope that you can help by participating in one of our upcoming focus groups or one-on-one interviews. To learn more, call the Research Coordinator at 478-6406.

