



# **Simplifying and Standardizing Clinical Documentation to Generate Big Data**

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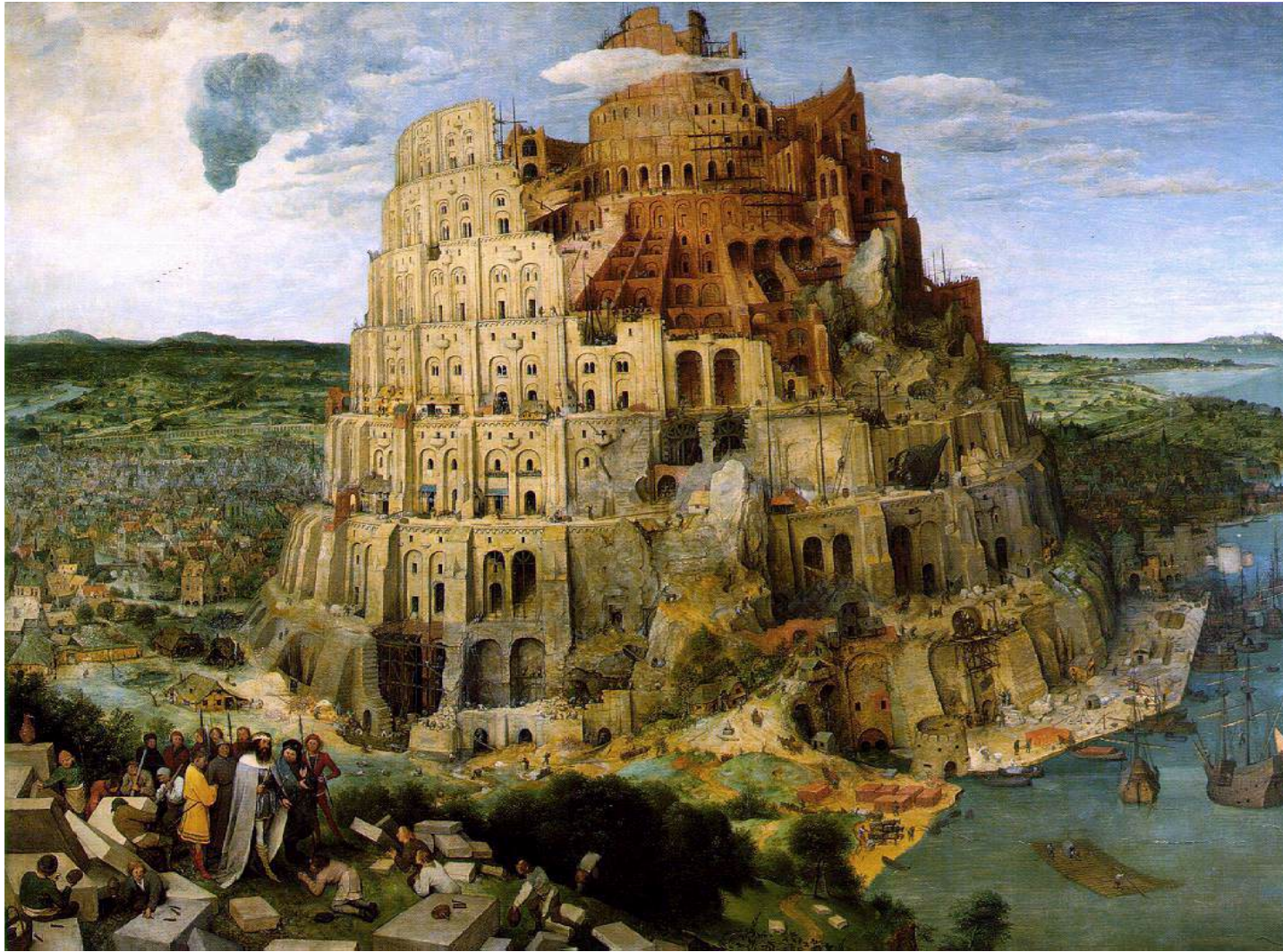
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# Overview

- EBCD Background
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- Implementation Strategy
- Impact on Big Data Tools



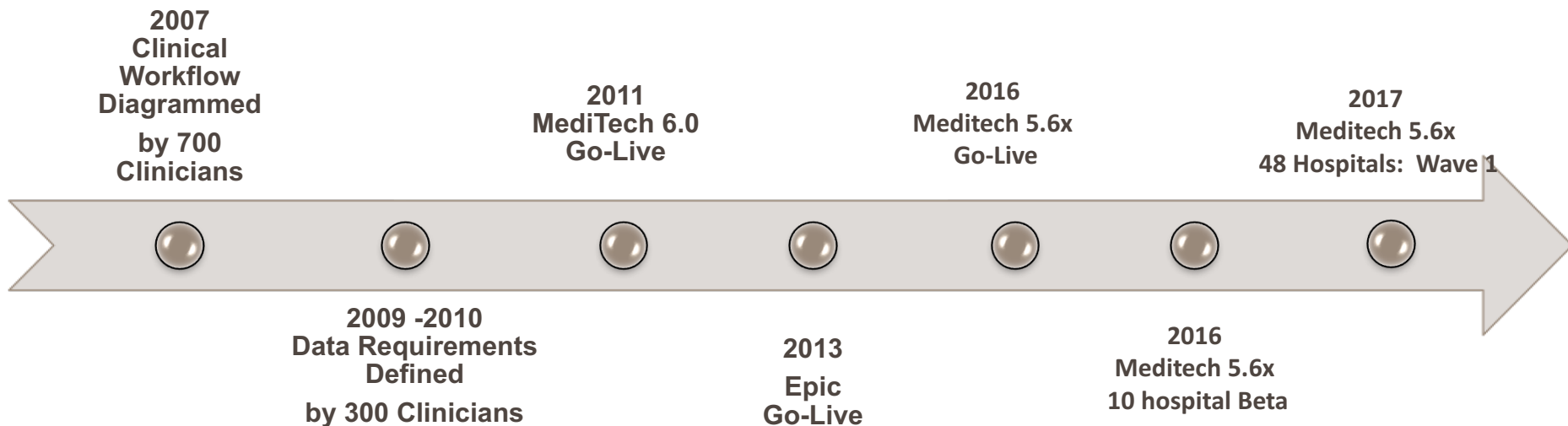
# Background



The Tower of Babel, 1563  
Pieter Bruegel, 1525 -1569

# Vision

Create a patient centric record that guides and informs the provision of safe, effective and efficient care by the interdisciplinary team and produces data to evaluate care of individual and populations of patients.

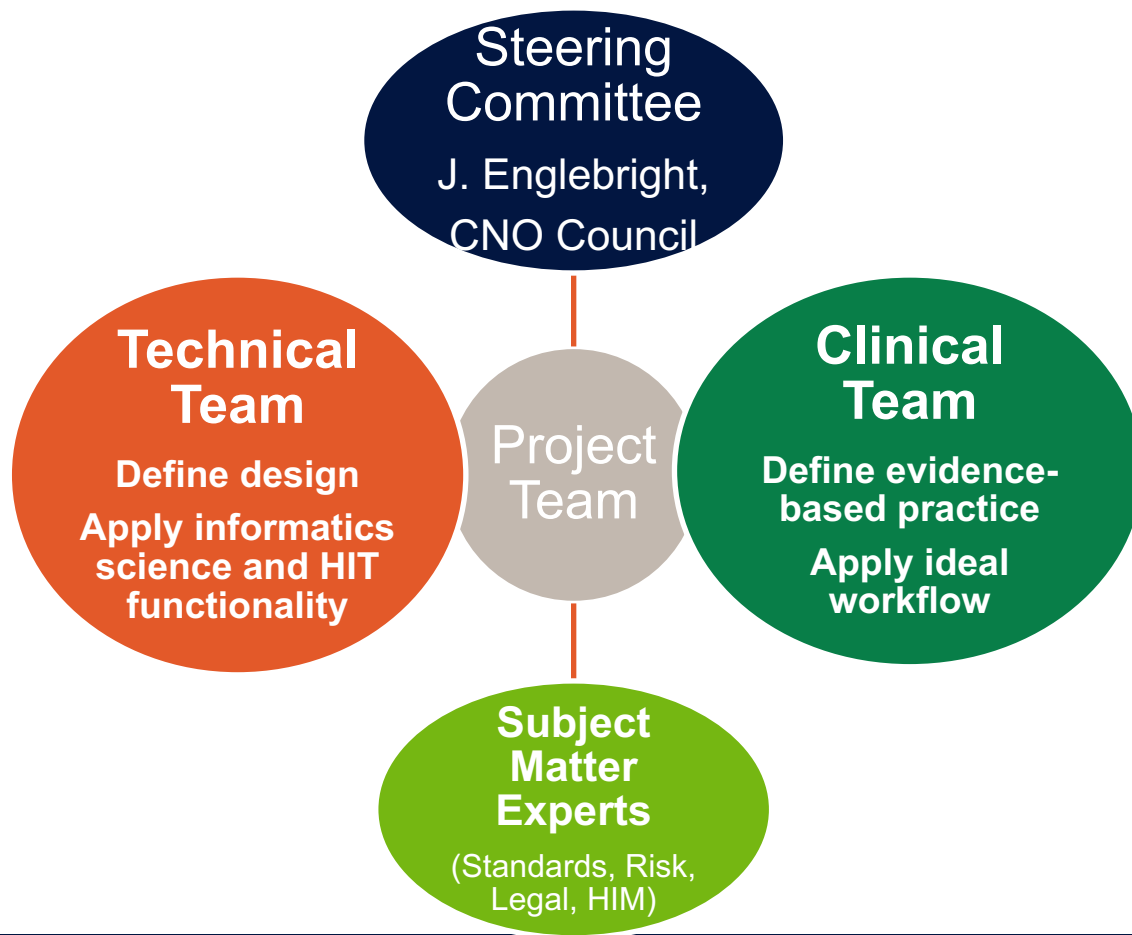


# Getting Organized

# Project Structure

Roles & Responsibilities:

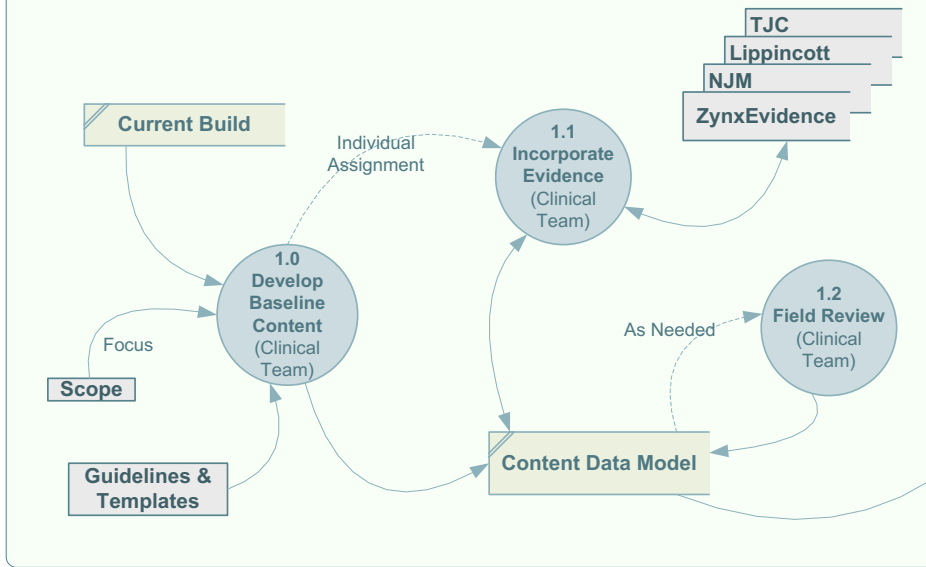
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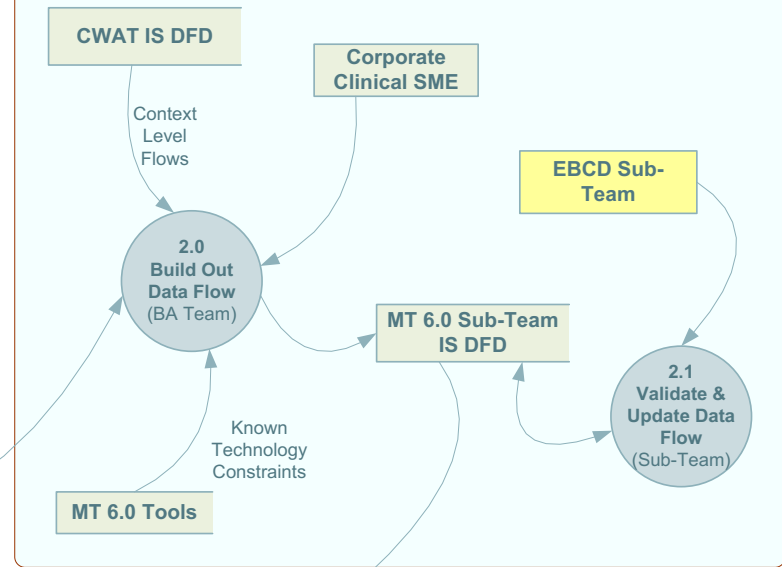
- Steering Committee
  - Vision, Guiding Principles
  - Priorities, Disagreements
- Clinical Team
  - Content and thought flow
- Technical Team
  - Navigation and data flow
- Subject Matter Experts
  - Regulatory expertise

# Evidence Based Clinical Documentation Content Development Process

## Content Development

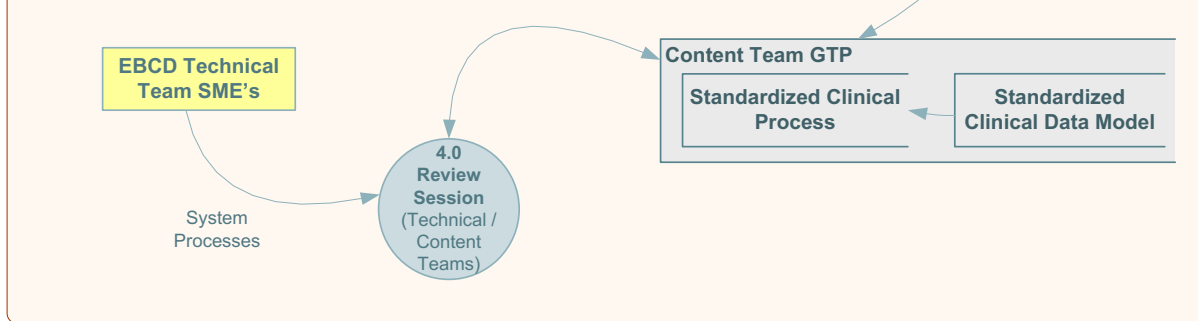


## Data Flow Development



## Acute Care / Critical Care Sub-Team

## Hand-Off Process



## Team Management

# Guiding Principles: EBCD Development Process

Principle	Benefit
Evidence-based vs. consensus-based decision-making	Supports evidenced based practice
Small design team, large review group	More efficient, preserves focus on evidenced based practice
Practicing clinicians define content	Maintain patient centered focus, avoid overbuilding content
Regulatory experts evaluate content for compliance	Assure compliance and leadership buy-in
Focus on the ethical and competent clinician	Maintain patient centered focus, avoid overbuilding



# Guiding Principles: EBCD Design

Principle	Benefit
Support ideal workflow	Support clinical process
Automate data entry whenever possible	Minimize error and improve efficiency
Incorporate decision-support	Minimize error and improve efficiency
Use software as designed	Minimize maintenance and enable more timely upgrades
Strict adherence to Style Guide	Maximize efficiency in building, use and training

# Screens Consistent & Easy-to-Use

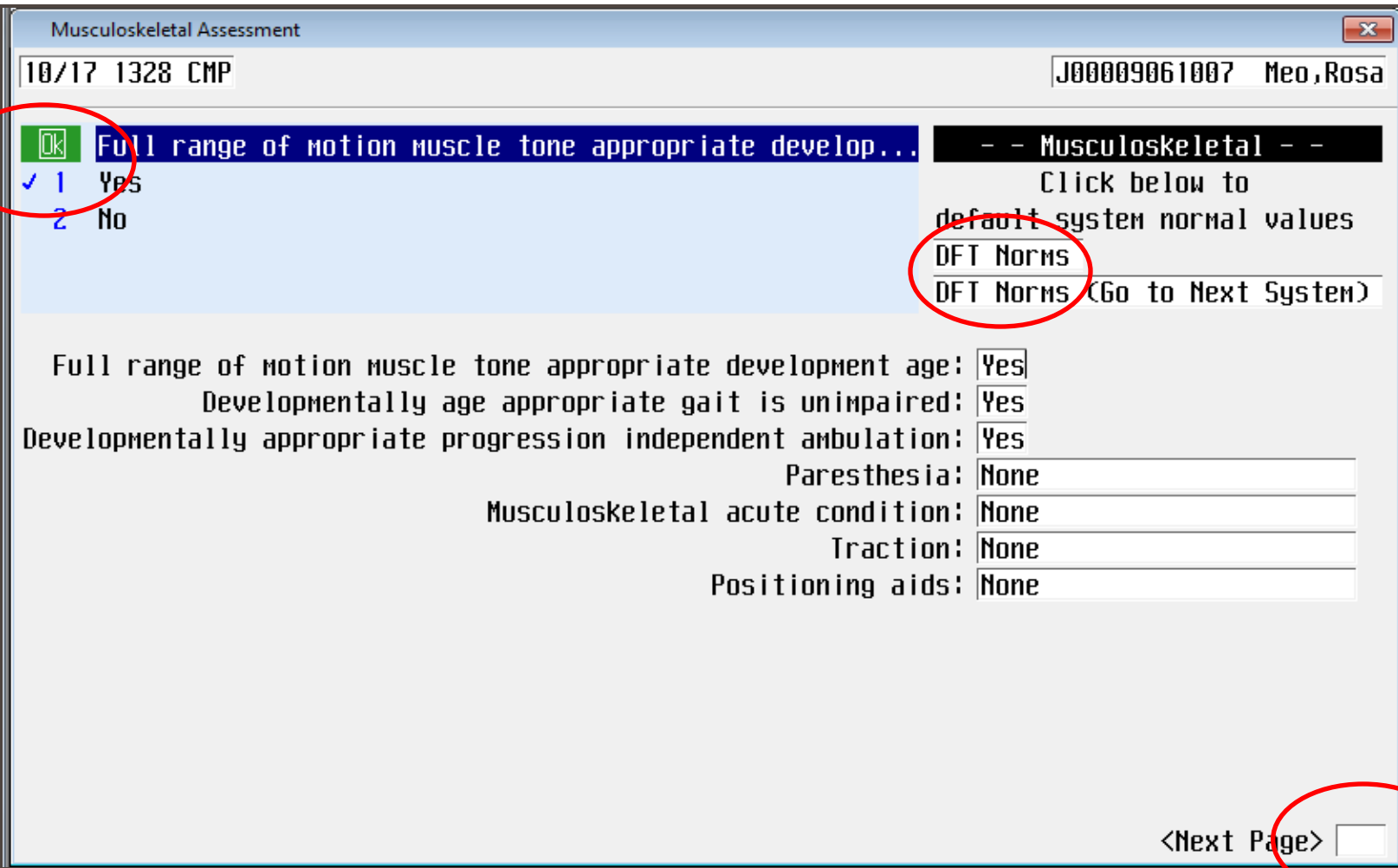
## Style Guide Standards

- Designed around usability heuristics
- Designed around user workflow
- Standard presentation
- Standard visual cues

## Design Decisions

- Case sensitivity
- Symbols
- Abbreviations
- Color usage
- Positioning/justification/spacing
- On screen documentation (info boxes)
- Navigation

# Consistent User Interface



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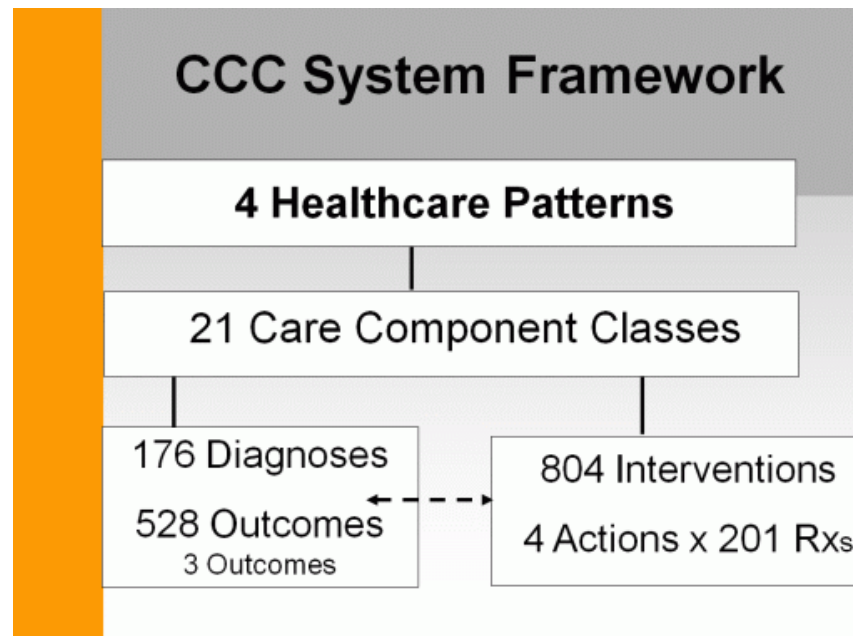
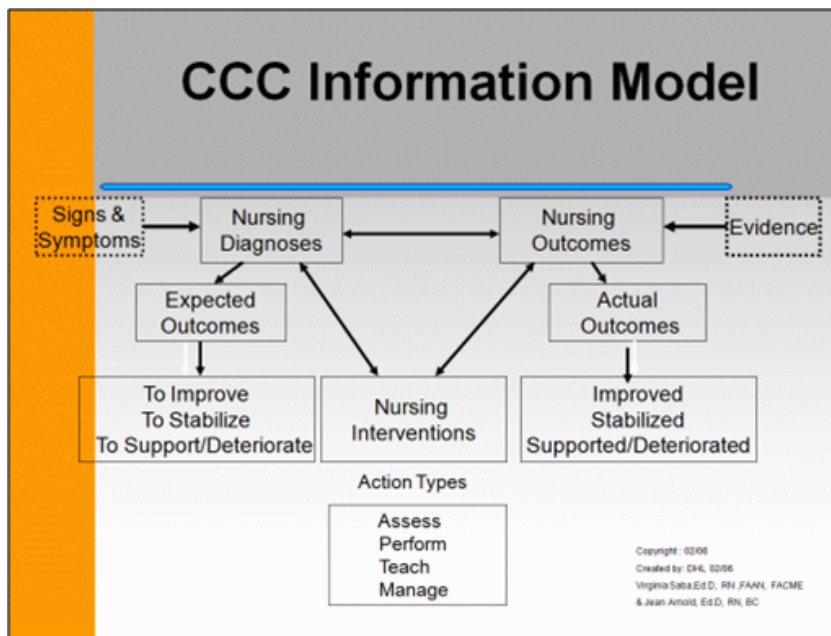
The screenshot displays a medical software window titled "Process Interventions\Events". The main area is labeled "GYN GENERAL ASSESSMENT" and shows a patient record for "10/17 1128 CMP" with ID "J00009061007" and name "Meo, Rosa". A blue bar highlights the "LMP:" field, with a red circle around the "OK" button next to it. Below this, there are input fields for "LMP:", "Currently pregnant:", "Date last pregnancy ended:", "Pregnant within last 42 days:", and "Lactation:". A calendar dialog box for "October 2013" is open, showing the date "17" selected. The calendar has buttons for "Prev Month", "Next Month", "Prev Year", "Next Year", "Select Month", "Select Year", "OK", and "Cancel". At the bottom right of the main window, there is a "<Next Page>" button with a red circle around it. A vertical toolbar on the right side contains various icons for navigation and actions.

# Key Decisions

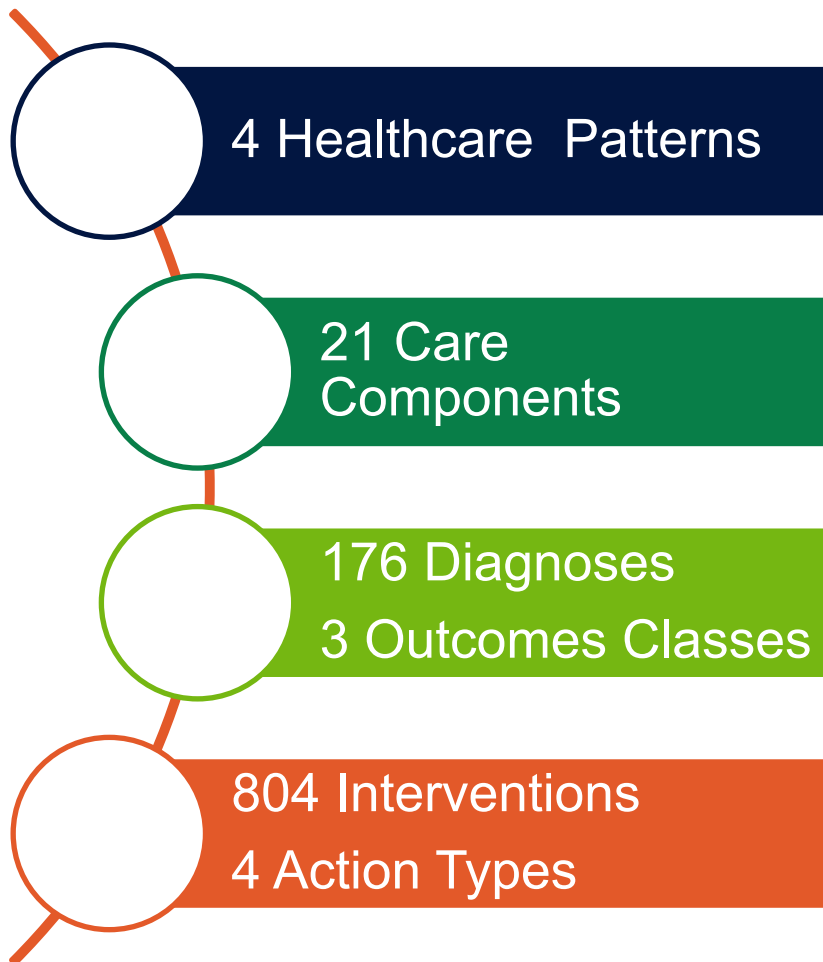
# Key Decision: Standard Nursing Terminology

- We identified a need for a Standard Nursing Terminology to guide our build
  - Provide an organizing framework
  - Define domain completeness
  - Enable internal and external data exchange and research

A standardized terminology for electronic health record (EHR) systems that supports capturing discrete patient care data for documenting the “essence of care” and measuring the relationship of clinical care to patient outcomes



<http://www.sabacare.com>



- Healthcare Patterns: Organizing framework for plan of care and teaching documentation screens
- Care Components & Diagnoses: content for nursing diagnoses/problems dictionaries, elements of plan of care and teaching documentation screens
- Outcomes: Content for goals and outcomes dictionaries, elements of plan of care
- Interventions & Action Types: Content for intervention dictionary, queries for screens



# Key Decision: Clinical Care Classification System (CCC)

Matched our approach:

- Derived from empirical research of nursing documentation
- Based on nursing process
- Focus on “essence of care”

Met our technical requirements:

- Recognized by ANA and HITSP
- Mapped to SNOMED and LOINC
- Fit easily in the MediTech dictionary framework

# Key Decision:

## Plan of Care

- ✓ POC is patient centric and goal directed.
- ✓ Each patient has a unique POC consisting of 3 – 4 priority problems that are the focus for this episode of care.
- ✓ Problems are identified from a nationally recognized nursing taxonomy (Clinical Care Classification System or CCC).
- ✓ POC is reviewed regularly and updated as needed based on changes in the patient's condition, response to treatment, and progress toward goals.
- ✓ Routine care, individualized considerations for care and physician ordered nursing interventions are not components of the Plan of Care.

# Plan of Care Approach

The RN selects 3-4 priority problems for this episode of care

Health plan of care

**Physiological problem/alteration in:**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 <b>Neurological</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> 7 Renal	<input type="checkbox"/> 13 Immunologic response
<input type="checkbox"/> 2 Cardiac	<input type="checkbox"/> 8 Urinary elimination	<input type="checkbox"/> 14 Thermoregulation
<input type="checkbox"/> 3 Respiratory	<input type="checkbox"/> 9 Musculoskeletal	<input type="checkbox"/> 15 Growth and development
<input type="checkbox"/> 4 Ventilatory weaning	<input type="checkbox"/> 10 Skin integrity	
<input type="checkbox"/> 5 Gastrointestinal	<input type="checkbox"/> 11 Peripheral vascular	
<input type="checkbox"/> 6 Bowel elimination	<input type="checkbox"/> 12 Endocrine	

Physiological problem/alteration in: ↓  
**Neurologic**

Psychological problem/alteration in:  
Communication

Functional problem/alteration in:  
Pain

Health behavior problem/risk:

(End)

# Plan of Care Goals

Goals default in as Improve or Stabilize but can be modified.

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Process Interventions

Current Date/Time ACS Int: B of 2

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Patient M00000004355 MAD, DEVELOPMENT Status ADM IN Room H.7129

Plan of Care

12/06 1035 ACS M00000004355 MAD, DEVELOPMENT

**Health behavior problem(s):**

- Health maintenance
- Violence risk
- Health seeking behavior
- None maintenance
- Injury risk
- Medication risk
- Noncompliance

Physiological problem(s):  
Bowel elimination  
Cardiac output

Functional problem(s):  
Nutrition

Psychological problem(s):

Health behavior problem(s):

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Plan of Care

**Bowel Elimination Alteration problem expected to:**

- 1 Deteriorate
- 2 Improve/Resolve
- 3 Stabilize/Maintain

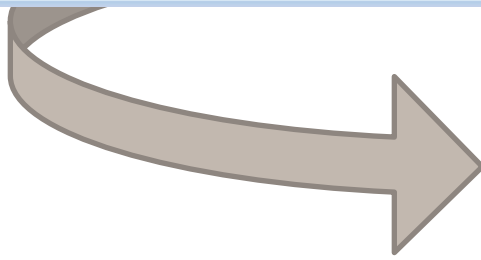
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Bowel Elimination Alteration problem has: \_\_\_\_\_

Bowel Elimination Alteration problem comment: \_\_\_\_\_

<End>



# Target Date for Goal Attainment

The RN establishes the Target Date for each goal

Neurological Alteration

**Neurological alteration problem has:**

- 1 Improved/Resolved
- 2 Stabilized/Maintained
- 3 Deteriorated

Neurological alteration problem expected to:  \*

Target date:  \* ← **Target Date**

Neurological alteration problem is:  \*

Neurological alteration problem has:

Neurological alteration problem comment:

(End)

# Plan of Care Outcomes

- The RN will status the goal to show progress or deterioration
- The RN will document the final outcome of the problem

Neurological Alteration

**Neurological alteration problem has:**

- 1 Improved/Resolved
- 2 Stabilized/Maintained
- 3 Deteriorated

Neurological alteration problem expected to:  ← **Goal**  
Target date: → 11/02/15\*

Neurological alteration problem is: →  ← **Progress**

Neurological alteration problem has: →  ← **Outcome**

Neurological alteration problem comment:

(End)

# Individualizing the Plan of Care

- Comments can be used to provide individualized detail
- Additional fields appear on Behavioral Health and Rehabilitation POC for measurable short and long term goals.

The screenshot shows a software window titled "Neurological Alteration". At the top, there is a green "OK" button and a blue header bar with the text "Neurological alteration problem has:". Below this is a list of three options: "1 Improved/Resolved", "2 Stabilized/Maintained", and "3 Deteriorated". The main form area contains several input fields: "Neurological alteration problem expected to:" with the value "Improve/Resolve" and an asterisk; "Target date:→" with the value "11/02/15\*"; "Neurological alteration problem is:→" with the value "Stabilizing/Maintaining" and an asterisk; "Neurological alteration problem has:→" which is empty; and "Neurological alteration problem comment:" which is empty. A large orange arrow points from the word "Comments" to the comment field. At the bottom right, there is a checkbox labeled "(End)".

Comments

## Routine Care for All Inpatient Populations

- Required care and documentation elements for all inpatients
- Appear on the task list
- Not tied to specific problems or goals
- All nursing assistant actions are “perform”

### **Assess**

- Admission assessment
- Pain management
- PRN Medication Effectiveness

### **Perform**

- Vital Signs, MEWS/PEWS
- I&O
- Height & Weight
- Lines, tubes & drains
- ADLs: Hygiene Care / Meals / Ambulation

### **Teach**

- First dose medication education
- Patient/Family Education

### **Manage:**

- Care management



# Key Decision:

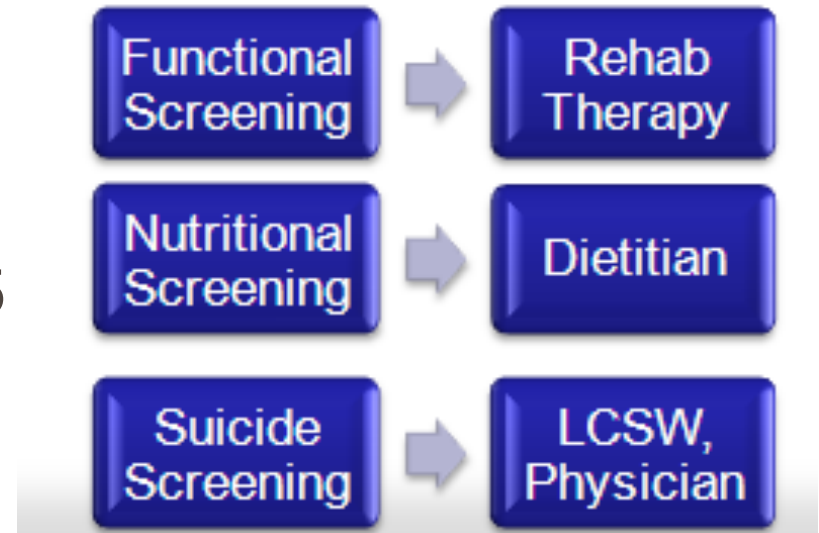
## Individualized Care Considerations

- ✓ Required history elements
- ✓ Communicated to all caregivers to be used in planning and providing care
- ✓ Not associated with goals
- ✓ Not part of Plan of Care

- Culture / Spiritual considerations
- Hearing / Sight Impairments
- Developmental level
- Other respectful considerations (PTSD)
- Legal considerations (organ donor, advanced directives, POA)
- Assistive devices
- Substance use
- Living situation
- Educational needs and preferences

# Key Decision: Patient History

- Demo Recall used extensively
- Family history has been assigned to the admitting provider
- Patient screenings limited to 3-5 queries
  - Enable specialists to identify patients in need of full assessment and/or intervention



# Key Decision

## Teach/Educate

- Individual Learning assessment is completed once
- Teach/Educate Process follows similar as POC design
- Nurse may trigger follow-up topics as necessary

Patient/Family Teaching

**Physiological Topics:**

1 <input type="checkbox"/> Bowel/Gastric +	7 <input type="checkbox"/> Skin integrity +	-- Follow-up Topics -- Cardiac rehab
2 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cardiac +	8 <input type="checkbox"/> Tissue perfusion +	
3 <input type="checkbox"/> Life cycle +	9 <input type="checkbox"/> Urinary +	
4 <input type="checkbox"/> Metabolic regulation +		
5 <input type="checkbox"/> Physical regulation +		
6 <input type="checkbox"/> Respiratory +		

**Physiological Topics:**  
→Cardiac rehab

**Psychological topics:**

**Functional Topics:**

**Health behavior topics:**

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# Key Decision: Lines, Drains, & Airway (LDA)

Make selection below

Select

1 <-File Lines  
2 Lines  
3 Drains  
4 Airways  
5 <-Exit->

Make line selection below

Select

1 <-Finished Documenting Lines->  
2 Arterial Line  
3 Arterial/Venous Sheath  
4 CVC/PICC/Midline/Dialysis  
5 Peritoneal dialysis  
6 Epidural Catheter  
7 Peripheral Intravenous  
8 Port/Implanted

One screen to capture LDAs for all units:

- Facilitates communication among care team
- Improves accuracy of documentation

Choose Peripheral IV or Instance Action

Select

1 <-Finished Documenting Peripheral IV  
2 <-Enter New Peripheral IV->  
3 <-View Peripheral IV(s)->  
4 Right Hand Inserted 05/05/16 1616

Peripheral IV J00021011325 MOSIER,SAMMIE 567

Instance list status:

✓ 1 Active  
2 Inactive

IV type: \_\_\_\_\_ \*

Location (L/R): Right \_\_\_\_\_ \*

IV location: Hand \_\_\_\_\_ \*

Inserted: Inserted \_\_\_\_\_ \*

Insertion date: 05/05/16\* \_\_\_\_\_

Insertion time: 1616\* \_\_\_\_\_

Instance list status: Active \_\_\_\_\_ \*

Inserted by: \_\_\_\_\_

IV line/site: \_\_\_\_\_

IV size: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of attempts: \_\_\_\_\_

Skin prep used: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Key Decision: Safety/Risk/Regulatory

Risk screenings pulled to a common screen for:

- Frequent Assessments
- Ease of access

The image shows two overlapping windows from a medical assessment software. The top window is titled 'Safety/Risk/Regulatory' and contains a list of assessment items with checkboxes. The 'Assess adult skin risk:' item is circled in red. The bottom window is titled 'Skin Risk' and shows a dropdown menu with 'Able to comprehend and follow directions:' selected. Below this, there are several checkboxes for 'Able to ambulate:', 'Incontinent:', 'Existing wound:', and 'Skin integrity impairment risk:'. A yellow callout box on the right side of the 'Skin Risk' window contains the text: 'If answer Able to comprehend and follow directions No, then Skin Integrity Impairment Risk'. The bottom right corner of the 'Skin Risk' window has an '(End)' button.

Safety/Risk/Regulatory J00021011325 MOSIER,SAMMIE 567

Assess adult skin risk:  
1 Yes

Isolation status: Standard precautions

Assess sepsis: Yes

Assess vaccines:

Assess adult skin risk:

Assess pediatric skin risk:

Assess adult fall risk:

Assess pediatric fall risk:

Assess suicide:

Assess restraints:

Assess broset violence screening:

Skin Risk J00021011325 MOSIER,SAMMIE 567

Able to comprehend and follow directions:  
1 Yes  
2 No

If answer Able to comprehend and follow directions No, then Skin Integrity Impairment Risk

Able to comprehend and follow directions:

Able to ambulate:

Incontinent:

Existing wound:

Skin integrity impairment risk:

(End)

# Documentation Not Needed in Medical Record

- ✓ Inventory of belongings
- ✓ Standard precautions
- ✓ Hand washing
- ✓ Safety measures defined by policy (i.e., trach tube at bedside)
- ✓ 'Routine' emotional support
- ✓ 'Routine' explanations of care processes
- ✓ *Handoff Communication* is defined by process not "form"



# EBCD Pilot Site: Doctors Hospital of Augusta

Meditech 5.6x NUR, EDM, ORM modules

- ❖ Impacted end-users: Nursing and Respiratory Therapy staff; clinicians who interact with shared screens
- ❖ Physician awareness of change



# Measured benefits of EBCD

- ✓ EBCD demonstrated a clear advantage over the baseline documentation at the pilot site in all tasks
  - ❖ Shorter time to complete
  - ❖ Less effort
  - ❖ Better ability to better capture discrete data
- ✓ The most significant benefit is with the Shift Assessment. This is the most complex task tested and had the greatest efficiency gains



## Objective Results

- ✓ **Doctors of Augusta Test Lab:** pre-go live study suggested 19 minutes saved in charting per nurse, per shift.
- ✓ **Doctors of Augusta:** 30 days post go live study (actual results) demonstrated 29 minutes saved in charting per nurse, per shift.
- ✓ Study was performed on those screens most impacted by EBCD.
  - Shift Assessment
  - Fall Risk Assessment
  - Hygiene Care
  - Skin Risk Assessment
  - Inventory of Belongings

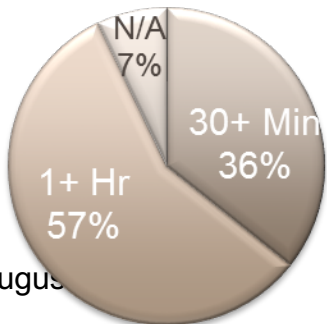
# Initial Site Summary-Doctors of Augusta

## 93% of Nurses Increased Time at Bedside

- “give pain RX (medicine) quicker”
- “talk one to one with the patient”
- “help other RN’s with patient care”
- “more time to talk to patients”
- “wash their hair”
- “check on them (patients) more often”

14 adult inpatient nurses surveyed 3 weeks post go live by Clinical Lead at Doctors of Augusta  
 Doctors of Augusta Hospital. February 16, 2016 Go Live.

## Adult Inpatient Nursing Time Saved Documenting



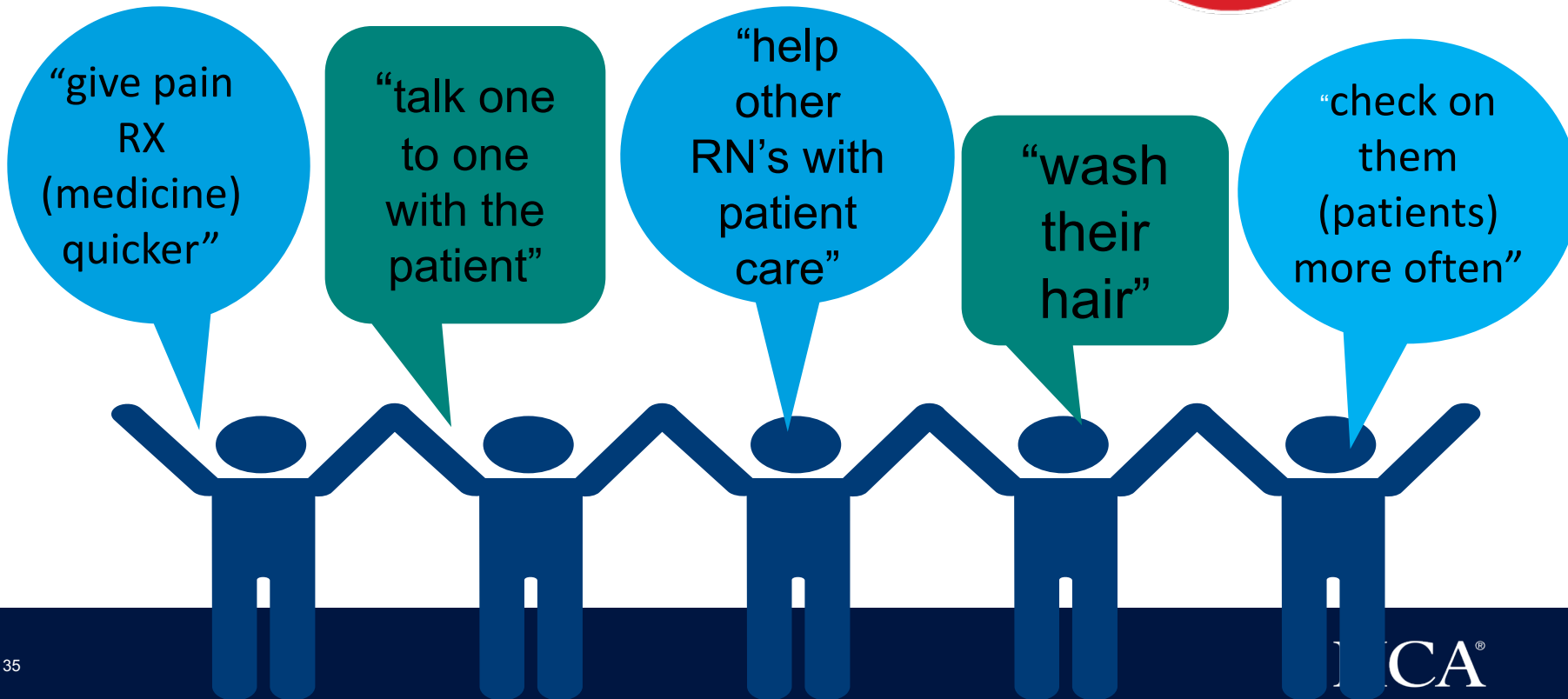
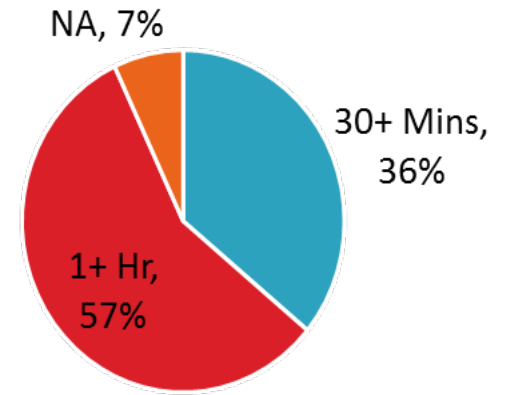
Functional Task	User Interface	Time Elapsed (seconds)	Left Clicks	Keystrokes	Sum of Effort (SOE)
Shift Assessment	Baseline	209	5	244	458
	EBCD Pre Education	109	39	1	149
	EBCD 30 Days	107	40	0	147
Fall Risk Assessment	Baseline	42	1	11	54
	EBCD Pre Education	37	11	0	48
	EBCD 30 Days	9	9	0	18

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# Pilot Success Metrics: Subjective Results

Adult Inpatient Nursing

93% of Nurses Increased Time at Bedside



# EBCD Impact on Nurses and Patients

## RNs saving an average of 49 minutes per shift

- **What nurses do with an extra 49 minutes a day:**

- ❖ “Give Pain medicine quicker”
- ❖ “Talk one to one with the patient”
- ❖ “Help other RNs with patient care”
- ❖ “Wash their hair”
- ❖ “Check on patients more often”

- **Missed Nursing Care when nurses run out of time:**

- ❖ Timely medication administration
- ❖ Patient education
- ❖ Ambulation
- ❖ Hygiene
- ❖ Surveillance
- ❖ Emotional & psychological support
- ❖ Documentation
- ❖ Discharge planning

Based on 70 Chart Audits	Number of Plan of Care Problems		Number of Nursing Notes	
	Pre-Go Live	Post Go Live	Pre-Go Live	Post Go Live
<b>Sum</b>	<b>498</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>176</b>
<b>Average</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>

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# EBCD Enterprise Pre Work Activities and Participants

Workstream	Participants
Vitals Signs Standardization	Clinical Analyst
MEDITECH: NUR Module Nursing Access	Clinical Analyst
NPR Analysis	Clinical Analyst, Facility Lead
EBCD Parameter Setup	Clinical Analyst
Analysis of Clinical Systems and Equipment	Clinical Analyst
EBCD Intervention Analysis	Clinical Analyst, Facility Lead
OA Messaging Removal	Clinical Analyst, Facility Lead, Dept Directors
Corporate Screen Use Analysis	Clinical Analyst
Inpatient Routine Nursing Care Orders	CNO, DAC, Nursing Directors, Policy Committee, Clinical Analyst
NE1 Wound Assessment Tool	EBCD Facility Lead, Lead Physical Therapist/Wound Champion, and all Nursing and Physical/Wound Therapy
Nursing Documentation Policy	Nursing Leadership, Policy Approval Committee
Patient Weight Documentation	Facility Lead
PDOC Localization	PDoc Specialist or DCS
Device Assessments	EBCD Facility Lead, IT Director
Healthstream Build Out	Facility Lead or Director of Education
Informatics/Professional Practice Council (Governance)	Facility Lead
Evidence Based Tools	Clinical Analyst, Facility Lead

# Readiness Toolkit

- NE1® Wound Assessment Tool
- Corporate Screen Use Analysis
- Evidence Based Tools
- Nursing Documentation Policy
- Routine Nursing Care
- Device Assessments
- NPR Analysis
- PDOC Localization
- Vital Signs Standardization
- OA Messaging Removal
- Crosswalk for Systems
- Governance Committee
- Healthstream Build Out
- Projects Impacting Nursing Implementation
- Meditech: NUR Module Process Interventions Routine
- EBCD Parameter Setup
- EBCD Intervention Requests

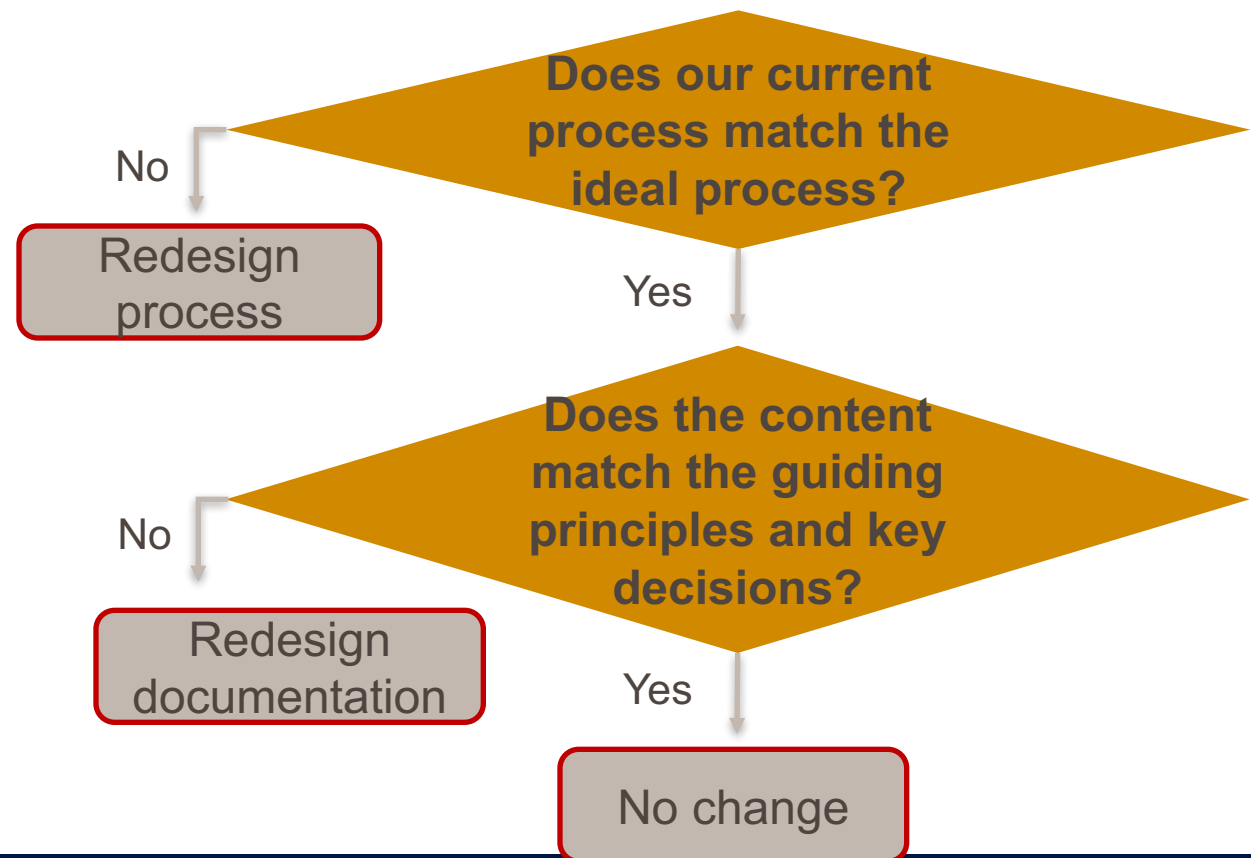
# Impact: Nursing Data Portal

# Holding the Gains . . . .Assuring On-going Adherence to Guiding Principles

Structure

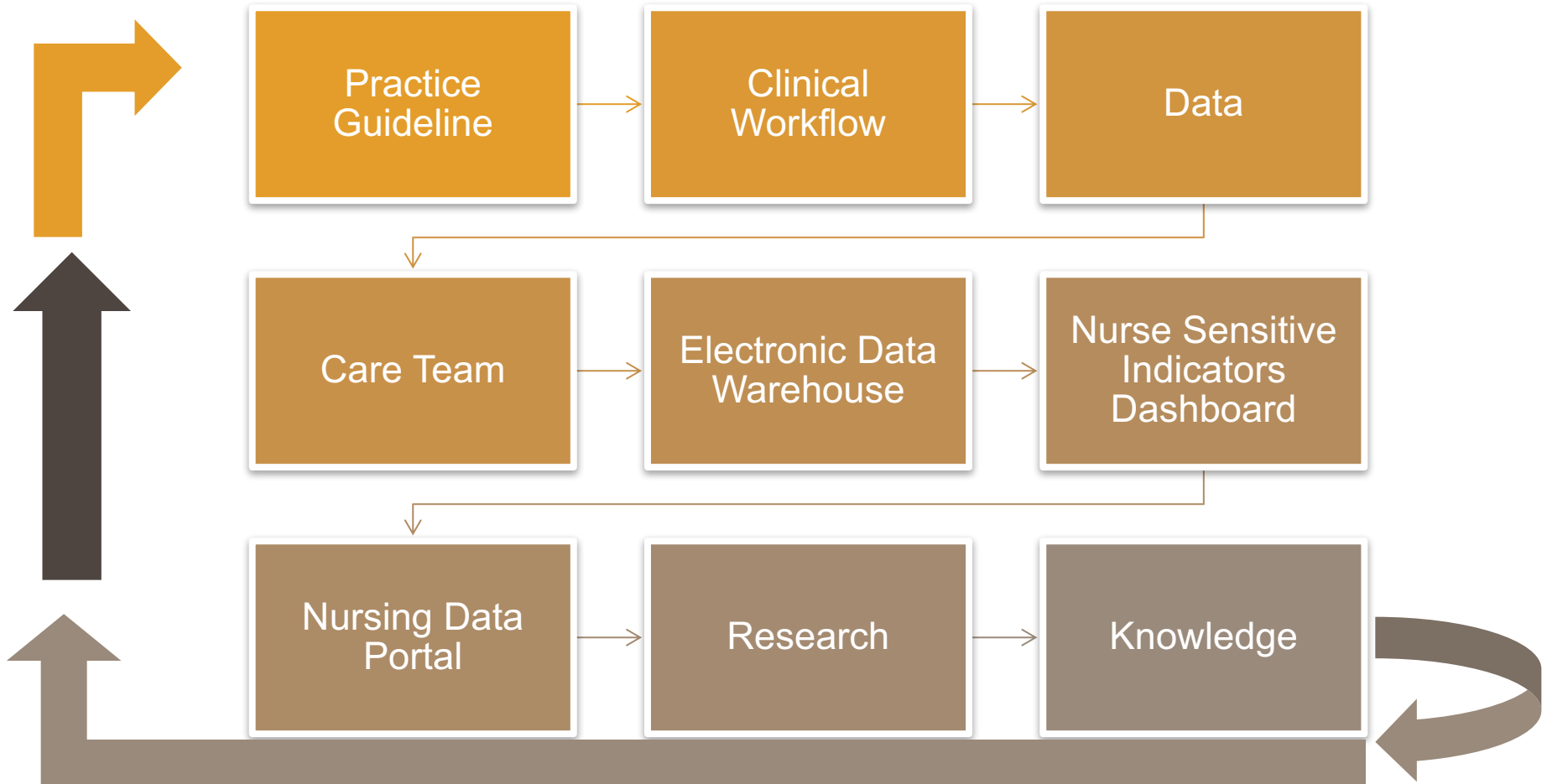


Process





# EBCD The BIG Picture



# EBCD Governance: Nursing Practice Change



Influence Practice Environment

# EBCD Summary

- EBCD is designed to:
  - **advance nursing practice** to a common evidence foundation,
  - improve patient and staff outcomes by **returning time to care** by reducing non-value-added documentation burden,
  - enhance **communication** and transition of care by sharing data among departments,
  - improve **efficiency** of staff learning, teaching and system maintenance through simplified design,
  - enhance **quality** improvement by capturing discrete data,
  - enable learning and research through discrete, **coded** data,
  - provide standardized data for **analyzing differences** in nursing practices and determining most **effective practices**



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