**Attending Registered Nurse**

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday February 3, 2020

12:00 – 1:00PM

Zoom

**Presiding:** Liz Mover, Danielle Salgueiro

**Coach:** Gino Chisari

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| Agenda Item | Discussion | Action |
| Welcome/Introduction to New/Returning ARNs | Danielle and Liz called the meeting to order at 12:00PM with 16 ARNs present on zoom.  | Noted |
| Announcement of the ARN Co-Chair Election | Thank you, Danielle Salgueiro, for your two years of service as ARN Co-Chair. Good luck on your new position as Clinical Nursing Supervisor.Welcome to one of the new ARNs replacing Danielle on Lunder 6 (Neuro ICU), Tracy.Announcement of the new ARN co-chair, Christina Alexander from Lunder 9. Congratulations!  |  |
| Visitor Policy Updates: Brian French | Brian French presented the 3 recent changes to the visitor policy:* A tablet-based screening process in the lobbies began this week. Visitors must attest to no COVID symptoms. Leadership is anticipating a large volume of incoming patients as vaccinations role out and they will be vaccinating 80 patients per hour.
* PPE use for visitors on Enhanced Respiratory Isolation (ERI). Visitors will be given an N95 mask when visiting a patient who is undergoing an aerosolizing procedure. Visitors adhering to the mask policy continues to be challenging. An ARN in pediatrics expressed concern about the difficulties with parents wearing the N95 masks consistently. A “Need to Know” is in the works regarding visitor PPE use.
* End of Life (EOL) visitor policy guidance from Palliative Care and Critical Care providers. Liz Mover (MICU), Vicki Jackson (Palliative Care MD), and Christine McCarthy (Palliative Care NP) presented a rough draft of the guidelines to several units and the ACNOs last week. Scripts were developed to guide staff when talking to families about visiting and to set expectations prior to arrival to the hospital. The goal is to continue to prioritize Zoom/virtual visits for families.
* ARNs agreed that donning and doffing PPE for visitors is very time consuming for staff. It should be a team effort and ask PCAs or SW to assist.
 |  EOL visitation guidance documents to be posted to Apollo. |
| Home Hospital and Viritual Observation Unit: Tina Stone | Alternative Pathways to the ED/Admission:* Home Hospital (Ryan Thompson MD)
* Partners Mobile Observation Unit
* COVID Mobile Response Program
* EMS in home COVID testing
* Partners Home Based Palliative Care
* Partners Home Health
* MGH Infusion Resource Center (IRC) & New England Life Care (NELC)
* Home IV Antibiotics- Outpatient Parenteral Antimicrobial Therapies (OPAT)

For questions & consultation around the appropriate pathway or program, page the Alternative Pathways Navigator (29694). | Please see the attached PowerPoint presentation. |
| Check-in | Liz Mover asked for thoughts for future ARN meeting topics. Possible topic: Police & Security on searching patient belongings for contraband.  | Reach out to ARN Co-chairs with suggestions for topics for future meetings.  |