Improving the Quality of Care in the PACU through the Essentris GDR Report

Abstract

The widespread establishment of Post-Anesthesia Care Unit (PACU) areas began after Second World War (Keikkas et al., 2005). This was a result of the observation of a high patient mortality rate during the immediate postoperative period, which could be prevented by providing specialized intensive care (Keikkas et al., 2005). Currently, PACU staff nurses are encouraged to embrace clinical practice changes while providing outstanding care. Thus, the solution to any proposed PACU-related quality improvement project is Essentris. Specifically, Essentris Global Data Repository (GDR) Report offers healthcare providers a realistic and user-friendly technology to accurately assess its quality initiatives. It consolidates patient information throughout the hospital or health system into a database optimized for tracking and querying large amounts of longitudinal data (Essentris GDR, 2012). As a result, the Essentris GDR Report may prove to be a realistic clinical solution to improving quality of care in the PACU.

Key Words

The key words for this manuscript include Essentris, quality of care, GDR, PACU, and clinical practice change.