

IHQSE Clinical Effectiveness & Patient Safety (CEPS) Grant

Children's Hospital Colorado (CHCO) 2023 Awardees





Anna Ruman, MD (Assistant Professor, Pediatric Hospital Medicine)

A Quality Improvement Initiative to Support Universal Inpatient In Person Interpretation at CHCO



Brandy Hoyt, MD (Fellow, Pediatric Hospital Medicine)

Standardizing Chest Radiograph Reporting to Reduce Antibiotic Overuse in Pediatric Pneumonia



Sunah Hwang, MD, PhD, MPH (Associate Professor, Pediatric Neonatology)

Sleep Well: Improving Safe Infant Sleep Practices in the NICU to Reduce Infant Death after Discharge



Rachel Cafferty, MD (Assistant Professor, Pediatric Emergency Medicine)

Electronic Suicide Screening and Risk Assessment in the Pediatric Emergency Department



José Díaz-Mirón, MD (Assistant Professor, Pediatric Surgery)

Delivering Language-Concordant Pediatric Surgery Care for Spanish Speaking Patients in Colorado



Lauren Waterman, MD (Fellow, Pediatric Endocrinology)

Improvement in Rates of Successful Transition from Pediatric to Adult Care for Patients with Type 1 Diabetes



Ann Hefel, FNP-BC (Instructor, Pediatric Allergy & Immunology)

Implementation of a Validated Scoring System for Atopic Dermatitis in Pediatric Allergy



William Anderson, MD (Associate Professor, Pediatric Allergy & Immunology); Jennifer Disabato, DNP, CPNP-AC (Associate Professor, Pediatric Neurology)

Reducing Gaps In Care: Facilitating the Transfer of Medically Complex Adolescent and Young Adult Patients from CHCO to UCH



Sarah Tlustos-Carter, PhD (Assistant Professor, Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation); Kilby Mann, MD (Assistant Professor, Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation)

Improving Suicide Screening and Implementation of Safety Protocols in Patients Admitted to CHCO with Acquired Brain Injury



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University of Colorado Hospital (UCH) 2023 Awardees





Karan Rai, MD (Internal Medicine Resident, PGY-3)

Natriuresis-Driven Diuresis Protocol for Patients with Decompensated Heart Failure



Oliver Bawmann, MD (Medicine-Pediatrics Resident, PGY-4)

Pursuing Equity: A QI Project to Improve Initial Lung Cancer Screening



Amanda Johnson, MD (Assistant Professor, Medicine, Hospital Medicine)

Promoting Engagement with Outpatient Primary Care to Improve Post-Hospitalization Outcomes for Patients Experiencing Homelessness



Anita Moudgal, MD (Instructor, Medicine, Hospital Medicine)

Hospitalist-Driven Penicillin Allergy Delabeling at a Tertiary Care Academic Medical Center



Christopher King, MD (Associate Professor, Medicine, Hospital Medicine)

Optimizing Pleural Effusion Management through a Complex Effusion Management Team (CEMT)



Laura Macke, MD (Assistant Professor, Medicine, General Internal Medicine); Elena Lebduska, MD (Associate Professor, Medicine, General Internal Medicine)

Defining Colorectal Cancer Screening Disparities among UCHealth Primary Care Patients by Race, Ethnicity, and Interpreter Status: A Step Toward Improving Health Equity



Robert Meguid, MD, MPH (Professor, Surgery, Cardiothoracic); Christina Stuart, MD (Surgery Resident, RY-2)

Reducing Post-Operative Morbidity Through Targeted Prevention of Perioperative Hypothermia



Marisa Brightman, PA (Instructor, Medicine, Infectious Disease); Michelle Knees, DO (Assistant Professor, Medicine, Hospital Medicine)

Improving the Discharge Process and Care Coordination for Patients with a Drain



Ben Cloyd, MD, MIPH (Assistant Professor, Anesthesiology); Michael Root, MD, MBA (Medicine Fellow, Pulmonary Sciences & Critical Care Medicine)

Improving Care for Patients with Difficult Airways Project: Leveraging the EMR for Standardized Documentation, Head-of-bed Signage, and Tracking for High-Risk Patients