



Suggested Roles and Responsibilites

TIP Schedule at least 1 Delirium Champion per ED shift



Delirium Champion

Key Attributes

- Health care professionals (often MD, RN, or SW)
- Committed to quality improvement
- Knowledge of delirium
- Proactive leadership and communication skills

Key Responsibilities

- Educational outreach to team members
- Remind staff to complete delirium protocols and ensure adherence
- Lead meetings regarding delirium
- Offers tools for success including staff recognition and incentives
- Gains support from administration and hospital/ED leadership



Delirium Team Members

Key Attributes

Professionals with a variety of perspectives (physicians, nurses, techs, case managers, social workers, pharmacists, physical therapists, geriatrician, geriatric nurse specialist)

Key Attributes

· Clinical pharmacist with

knowledge of delirium

Key Responsibilities

- Determine who will be screened (all patients, high risk patients, etc)
- Decide on a screening tool
- Decide who will perform the screening and where
- Determine follow-up protocol for positive screens
- Determine safety measures to be implemented within the ED following a positive screen.



Administrative Leader

Key Attributes

 Senior member of the management team with substantial decisionmaking capacity

Key Responsibilities

- Allocate personnel and resources
- Remove barriers
- Provide financial support
 Lay groundwork for staff empowerment



Pharmacist

Key Responsibilities

- Medication review for patients at high risk of delirium
 - Recognition of potentially deliriogenic medications
- Education of staff about high risk medications
- Discharge education of patients/families about their medications

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