Addressing Chaos in Work and Improving Patient Safety with the SEIPS Model

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“Finally, systems-engineering knowhow must be propagated at all levels;

PCAST recommends that the United States build a health-care workforce that is equipped with essential-systems engineering competencies that will enable system redesign.

Implementation of these strategies bears potential not only to improve the efficiency of care delivery, but also to improve its quality. PCAST hopes that this report will provide a framework that helps the Administration achieve these aims as it proceeds with ACA implementation.”

......the President’s Council of Advisors on Science and Technology
Objectives

- Describe the System Engineering Initiative for Patient Safety (SEIPS) framework for proactive and reactive system design
- Review recent survey outcomes on Newly Licensed Registered Nurses and Physicians in Group Practice
- Provide information on the collaboration between the CAPSAC and the SEIPS Program
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• SEIPS 2.0: a human factors framework for studying and improving the work of healthcare professionals and patients; Holden, et al Ergonomics 2013

• RN Work Project 2012; a national study of new nurses, focusing on career changes and work attitudes; New York University, Christine T. Kovner, PhD, RN FAAN; Carol S. Brewer, PhD, RN, FAAN Distinguished Professor
In 1985...

- CQPI was created by Professors George Box and Bill Hunter.
- Tradition of community involvement

April’2010
Celebration of 25th anniversary of CQPI

http://cqpi.engr.wisc.edu/
CQPI Today...

SEIPS or Systems Engineering Initiative for Patient Safety

Originally funded by AHRQ in 2001:
Developmental Center for Education and Research in Patient Safety
1 out of 18 centers funded
Only center in engineering

Why don’t people do a good job?

Why do people keep making mistakes?

... because of the poor design of work systems
SEIPS Model of Work System and Patient Safety

Human Factors and Ergonomics

- System from the viewpoint of users
- Users have physical, cognitive and psychosocial needs
- User-centered design
HFE sub-disciplines & topics

- **Physical ergonomics**
  - Working postures, materials handling, repetitive movements, work-related musculoskeletal disorders, workplace layout, safety and health.

- **Cognitive ergonomics**
  - Mental workload, decision-making, skilled performance, human-computer interaction, human reliability, work stress and training as these may relate to human-system design.

- **Organizational ergonomics**
  - Optimization of sociotechnical systems, organizational structures, policies, and processes, teamwork, scheduling, coordination/communication

- Usability
- Mental workload
- Situation awareness
- Human-automation interaction
- Alerts
- Lifting
- Training
- Teamwork
- Information processing
- Naturalistic decision making
- Handoffs
- Interruptions and distractions
- Violations or work-arounds
- Human error
- Safety
- Job stress
Faster; better visibility, usability and organization

(Rousek & Hallbeck, 2011)
ICU Displays

Anders et al. (2012)

Koch et al. (2013)

Fig. 1 – Graphical display that contains trending and configurable display information.

Anders et al. (2012)

Fig. 3 – Example screens of the traditional display (Traditional) in comparison with the integrated display (Integrated) – arrows indicate the new location of the information. Traditional: Devices are (1) patient monitor, (2) infusion pumps, (3) electronic medical record, (4) ventilator control panel, (5) fluid balance, (6) adverse effects, and (7) medication compatibility. Integrated: On the integrated display, related information is displayed in close proximity. (A) Nurses see an overview of the patient's vital signs, currently administered and scheduled medication, essential ventilation data, and fluid balance. (B) When selecting a medication they see medication compatibility with the other current and scheduled medication, and potential adverse effects.
Figure 2. Workflow negatively impacted by room design. Reprinted with permission from Gosbee and Gosbee (59).
Workload Awareness
Performance obstacles reported by ICU nurses
(Gurses & Carayon, 2007)
Need to understand work systems
Systems in which they work
Systems in which they work
Who are the ‘users’?
SEIPS 2.0 Principles

• System Orientation
• Person Centeredness
• Design-Driven Improvements
How Are We Doing on Person Centeredness?
RN Work Project

Unsafe, poorly managed and poorly equipped work environments hold Newly Licensed RNs back

- 25% reported at least one on-the-job needle-stick
- 39% reported at least one strain or sprain
- 21% reported a cut or laceration
- 46% reported a bruise or contusion
- 62% reported verbal abuse
RN Work Project

NLRNs work long hours
- Almost 13% worked mandatory overtime
- 51% worked voluntary overtime

NLRNs don’t leave nursing, but they do leave their employers
- 41% planned to leave their first job within 3 years
- 18.1% left their first nursing job within 13 months of starting
- 26.2% left their first nursing job within 25 months of starting

Why do NLRNs leave their first job?
- Top 3 professional reasons: poor management, stressful work, wanting experience in another clinical area
- Top 3 personal reasons: moving to a different geographic area, partner takes a job elsewhere, compatible school schedule
American Medical Group Association
Physician Satisfaction Survey- 2014

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<th>Quality Care</th>
<th>% Very Satisfied</th>
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<td>Quality of care you are able to provide</td>
<td>60%</td>
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<td>Your ability to obtain specialty referrals whenever you feel they are necessary</td>
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<td>Your ability to prescribe the medications you want</td>
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<td>Your ability to obtain tests or procedures for patients whenever you feel they are necessary</td>
<td>47%</td>
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<td>Your ability to refer patients to high quality specialist</td>
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<th>Time Spent Working</th>
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<td>Time you have available for your family and personal life</td>
<td>28%</td>
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<td>Degree of control you have over your schedule</td>
<td>35%</td>
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<td>Amount of time you spend working</td>
<td>24%</td>
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<td>Amount of time you spend with each patient</td>
<td>32%</td>
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<td>The volume of my patient load or panel size is reasonable</td>
<td>21%</td>
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<td><strong>Resources For Care</strong></td>
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<td>Medical supplies are available when I need them</td>
<td>34%</td>
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<td>I have sufficient exam room space to see my patients</td>
<td>44%</td>
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<td>I have adequate equipment for office procedures</td>
<td>35%</td>
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Sutter Medical Group - Interventions Work!

- General Sutter EHR Knowledge: Pre 44%, Post 63%
- Documenting using the Sutter EHR: Pre 60%, Post 80%
- In Basket Management: Pre 54%, Post 70%
- Medication Management: Pre 55%, Post 78%
- Order Entry Management & Use Shortcuts: Pre 52%, Post 77%
CAPSAC And SEIPS
CAPSAC 2013-
Confirmed Future Direction

• Continued partnership with CDPH on discussing regulations to increase reporting
• Education and assessment of human factors in our processes
  ▫ Decrease harm related to human error
  ▫ Increased ratio of reports not resulting in harm
• Improve communication related to errors/omissions
• Engagement of the public to better understand the role of human error in patient safety
CAPSAC--2014

• CAPSAC’s role is to provide a forum for organizations to address patient safety and leverage change across the healthcare continuum based on the principles of a fair and just culture.
Three Pillars

• Provide opportunities for health care organizations to share best practices; and establish a mechanism for shared learning across organizations to minimize the same errors from occurring again.

• Educate regulatory agencies, legislators, consumers, healthcare providers, purchasers of healthcare, and the media.

• Serve as a resource to the Department of Public Health, the Center for Healthcare Quality, patient safety institutions, and professional licensing boards.
This 2 ½-day course for healthcare professionals presents internationally recognized speakers discussing a variety of Human Factors Engineering (HFE) and medication safety topics.

Day 1: Introduction to human factors engineering and its application to medication safety; Physical environment; Human factors analysis of medication use process

Day 2: Cognitive ergonomics; Technology design, implementation and usability; Case study

Day 3: Organizational design and resilience; Case study reporting; Moving forward with SEIPS approach

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