## **QUALITY, SAFETY & PATIENT EXPERIENCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Friday, October 13, 2023 at 8:00 AM

Location: GCMC Board of Directors or Teleconference

The QSPE Committee meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Kathy Bridge-Liles, RN, Board Member, Committee Chair

## **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Kathy Bridge-Liles, RN, Board Member, Committee Chair
Therese Everly, BS, RRT, Board Vice-Chair
David Klein, Board Member
Nancy McGovern, Board Member
Asif Azam, MD, Physician Member
Leah Boyette, MD Physician Member
Iahn Gonsenhauser, MD, Chief Medical Officer and Committee Sponsor

#### **VIRTUALLY PRESENT**

Donna Clark, Board Member Keri Mason, MD, Physician Member

## **MEMBERS NOT PRESENT**

Yanet Rios, MD, Physician Member Larry Hobbs, DO, Physician Member

## **GUESTS**

George Knott
Stephanie Stovall, MD
Blake Schofield
Marcello Zottolo
Jonathan Hollander
Leslie Vollmer
Cheri Cartwright
Dana Begley

Regina Eberwein

Scott Nygaard

Kris Fay – virtual

Marilyn Kole, MD – virtual

Lisa Martinez – virtual

David Berger - virtual

# **PUBLIC INPUT STATEMENT**

Kathy Bridge-Liles read the Public Input statement.

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Kathy Bridge-Liles asked for approval of the August 4, 2023 QSPE Committee meeting minutes.

A motion was made by Therese Everly to approve the August 4, 2023 QSPE meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Nancy McGovern and carried with no opposition.

Kathy Bridge-Liles 01/20/2024 12:07 EST

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## Dr. lahn Gonsenhauser shared some thoughts:

Remaining focused. The main thing is to keep the main thing the main thing:

Priority Service Lines: Oncology, MSK, CV, Primary Care and Surgical Service Differentiation have to remain our laser focus. Every decision we make really needs to be linked to assuring the successful growth and differentiation of these elements of our system.

Assuring that we are deploying our capital to grow access deliberately and in alignment with our identified strategic priorities and informed by high quality analytics and consumer intelligence.

That being said, we have had 17000 BH/SUD ED visits YTD through August and 4000 Baker act arrivals over the same time period. This is a key issue not only because of the community need, but also because of the obstacles it introduces in achieving our stated goals and the stresses it places on all points of access especially our Eds and inpatient environments.

Capacity Utilization and Inpatient efficiency. We have opportunities to operate more efficiently. Whether LOS, Excess Days or low acuity admission we are not maximizing the capacity of our highest cost assets. A huge part of this is building the structures that will allow us to maximize Top of Site Care. Application of digital and virtual solutions and alternative and home-based sites of care.

Recruitment and Retention – Critical to support everything stated previously. We need to not only recruit high quality talent and a lot of it, but we need to retain this talent as well. Clinician turnover is disruptive and expensive.

Lastly, Med staff Alignment with goals. The BOD will have an opportunity in the near future to review a revision of our Med Staff Bylaws as part of the Med Staff Governance Unification process. I would challenge you to find a single statement of accountability or alignment by which our medical staff are expected to align their actions and intentions with the goals of the health system. This must be addressed and the BOD is the sole body that can voice this expectation. Hospital privileges are exactly that, a privilege, not a right and privilege comes with responsibility.

## PERFORMANCE OVERSIGHT & SYSTEM STRATEGIC SCORECARD UPDATE

Dr. Iahn Gonsenhauser, Chief Medical Officer, provided an overview of Lee Health's performance on the FY 2023 Strategic Scorecard.

## **HPMC MEDICAL STAFF REPORT**

Dr. Leah Boyette provided an overview of an innovative process developed in the HPMC Emergency Department (ED). The project allows the system to strategically deploy resources to more quickly assess patients and to care for lower acuity ED patients in a timely fashion during peak times. The goal of the project is to reduce patients wait times and decompress our EDs and Hospitals.

## **'24 BOD SCORECARD REVIEW**

Dr. Iahn Gonsenhauser presented draft revisions to the FY 2024 Strategic Scorecard. Among the revisions are adding an Employee Engagement metric and modifying definitions to several metrics to align with best practices. Dr. Stephanie Stovall, Chief Clinical Officer Hospital-Based Care, Quality and Safety, explained one particular metric definition change: modifying from mortality score to mortality index which can be

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benchmarked to other high performing hospitals. Also proposed was replacing the current 30-Day Readmission metric with a new goal focused on Excess Days.

A motion to approve the Strategic Scorecard was made by Therese Everly. Nancy McGovern seconded the motion. The Committee unanimously approved the following motion: "Motion to recommend that the Full Board accept the FY 2024 Strategic Scorecard as presented to the QSPE Committee on October 13, 2023."

## **QSPE PLACEMENT/PARKING LOT DISCUSSION**

Dr. Iahn Gonsenhauser suggested, because we are behind schedule, to reconvene a smaller, sub-group or a special session to discuss the QSPE Placement. A date will be scheduled and published.

## **HOME HEALTH QAPI**

Jonathan Hollander, System Director Home Health, presented an overview of the discharge process to Home Health Agencies. He also presented key performance metrics on the Home Health Agency program. The Committee reviewed the Home Health QAPI and unanimously approved the following motion:

A motion to approve and recommend to the Board of Directors the Home Health QAPI as presented to the QSPE Committee on October 13, 2023 was made by Kathy Bridge-Liles. The motion was seconded by David Klein.

#### SKILLED NURSING SRVICES OPTIMIZATION

Leslie Vollmer, Senior Administrator for Skilled Nursing Services, presented an overview of skilled nursing key performance metrics, including that all three Lee Health skilled nursing units are considered 5 Star.

## **ACCESS: SURGICAL SERVICE OPTIMIZATION**

Cheri Cartwright, System Vice President for Surgical Services, provided any overview of improvements in the Surgical Services departments, including significant improvement in access, on time starts and sterilization work.

#### **FALL 2023 LEAPFROG PREDICTIONS**

Marcelo Zottolo, Vice President Data Analytics, provided an update on Lee Health's projected Leapfrog scores for the upcoming reporting period. All Lee Health hospitals are currently projected to receive an "A" grade.

## **EQSC (EXECUTIVE QUALITY & SAFETY COUNCIL) UPDATES**

Dr. Stephanie Stovall presented information on areas of opportunity, including current safety culture and methods to adjust. Dr. Stovall provided updates on audited areas and action plans to improve outcomes. Also provided were statistics on good catches, serious safety events and SafeLee reports.

## **CELEBRATIONS**

Dr. Iahn Gonsenhauser presented a number of celebrations for units or facilities with consecutive months of quality achievement. Also presented was a number of publicly announced recognitions for various units, including U.S. News and World Report awards for several service lines.

## COMMITTEE MEMBERS REPORT/MEETING FEEDBACK

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Members agreed it was a great meeting. Thank you all for presenting.

## **NEXT REGULAR MEETING**

The next meeting will be TBD It will be a flex model where Committee members can attend in person at Gulf Coast Medical Center, Medical Office Building, Boardroom, 13685 Doctors Way, Fort Myers, FL 33912 or by WebEx.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The QSPE Committee Meeting was adjourned at 10:48 a.m. by Kathy Bridge-Liles, Chair. Minutes were recorded by Wanda Heit, Assistant to CNO & CMO.

Signed	by:
Date:	