What interdisciplinary initiatives or projects are taking place in your unit/dept/clinic?

How are nurses involved on interdisciplinary initiatives or projects?

- Nurses are encouraged to become involved on council’s, committee’s, and task force’s to improve patient outcomes or resolve practice issues
- Nurses identify themselves to the AN II or nurse manager or can also identify on their PDP a desire to become involved on a new council or initiative
- Many interdisciplinary initiatives are led by nursing

How do you communicate with MD’s about a patient problem? If you as an RN disagree with his/her decision, how do you go about solving it?

- Nurses have a responsibility to communicate directly with the MD. If there is a disagreement, staff are encouraged to resolve issues at the lowest level. If resolution at the lowest level is not possible, staff follow the medical staff chain-of-command, intern, resident, chief resident to attending.

How do you know of new or revised policies on your unit/dept/clinic?

Examples:

- Policy and procedures updates are placed on First Tuesday every month
- Nurse Manager bulletin updates
- Staff meetings
- Unit-based practice council announcements