

BEST PRACTICE CATALOG

Project Title: **PATIENT INJURY TRACKING**

Function Category: PATIENT-FOCUSED ORGANIZATION STRUCTURES

Subcategory: **Management of the Environment**

Heading: **Measuring Outcomes**

Key Word(s): **Management of Environment**

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Purpose: To obtain specific data on patient injuries for monitoring and analysis.

Brief Description: Our previous system only distinguished between accidental and non-accidental injuries. Our new system includes type, cause, and severity of injury as well as more detailed data on location and type of incident.

Selection Basis/Criteria: The more in-depth data allows for trending and for enhanced injury prevention activities.

The following items are available regarding this Best Practice:

Photographs Video Tape Drawings Manual

Other : **Sample Data and Graphs.**

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