

BEST PRACTICE CATALOG

Project Title: **SPEED AWARENESS PROGRAM**

Function Category: PATIENT-FOCUSED ORGANIZATION STRUCTURES

Subcategory: **Security**

Heading: **N/A**

Key Word(s): **Traffic Safety –Speed**

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Hospital: **Metropolitan State Hospital**

Purpose: To heighten awareness of the speed limit and protect patients, staff, and visitors on hospital grounds.

Brief Description: Several times each week, the City of Norwalk Safety Patrol Police loan the hospital their speed indicator trailer. The 6x8 trailer is radar equipped. As a vehicle approaches the trailer, the speed the vehicle is traveling is displayed in large, 18 inch yellow numbers. Cars passing the device slow down to the posted speed limit. The intent of the program is to care for the safety of our patients, staff, and visitors by improving traffic awareness in our drivers. We want to reduce speed and, thereby reduce accidents.

Selection Basis/Criteria:

The following items are available regarding this Best Practice:

Photographs Video Tape Drawings Manual

Other : _____

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