



Optimizing Quality Care Through the Perioperative Surgical Home Model

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The Perioperative Surgical Home (PSH) model is designed to provide patients with a higher quality and safer health care experience by involving the surgical team from the moment a decision is made to have a procedure, through discharge from surgical care. Evidence-based research shows that this model results in reduced length of stay and likeliness for readmission for the patient, and improved operational efficiencies and resource utilization for the hospital.

The world of healthcare is complex and it is models like this one that will help hospitals across the U.S. successfully make the shift from a fee-for-service system to a value-based system that delivers comprehensive, unified and outcomes-based care. It will streamline processes for patients, minimizing possible lapses in care, unnecessary duplication of testing and complications. It will assist physicians as they strive to provide quality care and will allow a hospital to operate lean, streamlining operations to help to reduce costs. PSH creates the potential for a true “win-win.”

I have always been a proponent of anesthetic evaluation, including physical exam, prior to the day of a procedure. As I look to the future, I see the Perioperative Surgical Home model as a further extension of that same philosophy to help achieve greater efficiency and patient satisfaction.

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