The Nursing Research and Evidence Based Practice Council (NREBPC)

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Background

- In 1999, The Institute of Medicine (IOM) released a landmark report that 44,000 - 98,000 lives are lost every year due to preventable errors
- In 2001, the IOM reported a chasm between the research evidence and the implementation of evidence into practice
- In 2011, the IOM recommended interprofessional, nurse led teams to implement EBP programs
- EBP finds better patient outcomes
- The culture of safety is rooted in EBP that promotes a high standard of care
- NLEMMC follows the Maine Core Competencies (MCC) and evaluates RN engagement in EBP program development through performance evaluations

NREBPC Development

2016-2018
- First meeting in 2016 as the 5-member Evidence Based Practice Council
- Incorporated EBP projects into the Nurse Residency Program
- Developed an EBP project approval process with approval from the Human Subjects Compliance Office and VP for Nursing and Patient Care Services
- Began educating nursing leaders about EBP
- Began developing Mission and Vision Statements

2019-2020
- Formed a 7-member council representing associate V-Ps of nursing service, unit management, nursing education, and quality performance improvement
- Renamed Nursing Research and Evidence Based Practice Council
- Developed and approved NREBP model and Oversight scheme
- Began assembling NREBP content area within NLEMMC Nursing Excellence webpage

The NREBP at Northern Light Eastern Maine Medical Center guides and provides oversight for
(1) Implementation of nursing research
(2) EBP projects that consider the integration of empirical evidence, clinical expertise, and target population preference.

The NREBP work will result in ongoing promotion, education, implementation of current nursing research and evidence-based practice (EBP) to provide quality outcomes, cost-effective patient care, and dissemination of work through conferences and publications.

References

