

Selected TeamSTEPPS® Concepts and Tools

Communication: SBAR

The SBAR technique provides a standardized framework for members of the health care team to communicate about a patient's condition. You may also refer to this as the ISBAR, where "I" stands for "Introductions."

In phrasing a conversation with another member of the team, consider the following:

- Situation—What is happening with the patient?
- Background—What is the clinical background?
- Assessment—What do I think the problem is?
- Recommendation—What would I recommend?

Leadership: Brief/Huddle/Debrief

Brief:

Short session prior to starting an event. During a brief the following information may be discussed: team membership and roles, clinical status of the team's patients, plan of care for each of the team's patients, issues affecting team operations

Huddle:

Huddle is a tool for communicating adjustments to a plan of care that is already in place.

Debrief:

Opportunity to understand frames after a simulation or clinical event

Situation Monitoring: Cross Monitoring

Observing the actions of fellow team members – or cross-monitoring – is a safety mechanism that can be used to mitigate error before the patient is harmed.

Mutual Support: CUS

Using CUS language helps escalate a situation and can grab the listener's attention.

- Concerned
- Uncomfortable
- Safety Issue

Initial Scenario Planning Form

Scenario Title:

TeamSTEPPS® Tool:

Developer(s):

Problem/Needs Assessment	Learner Group(s)

Learner Objectives

Scenario Plot Summary

Pre-learning

Setting (e.g. ER, OR, Med-surg floor):

Modality (e.g. high fidelity simulator, hybrid, standardized patient, task trainer):

Type of Simulation (e.g. immersive, procedural, in situ, uniprofessional, interprofessional):

ESPs/Staff needed (e.g. Nurse, family, healthcare provider):

Debriefing Strategy (e.g. Advocacy/inquiry, Plus/Delta):

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