

**NP / PA MEETING MINUTES:  
FRIDAY OCTOBER 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2008  
12N00N-3PM**

1. The numbers

EV 947  
GB 814  
HP 527

2. Update by place

A. Evanston: volume, volume, volume!!!!  
And-major kudos to Andrew the tech (can we clone him??)  
He just functions at a much higher level than is ever required and  
makes everyone's job that much easier.

Sue B will find some way to recognize him

B. GB: joint practice meeting f/u and "team 3"

- a work in progress (our reps? SueB, Kurt, Myriam-all are welcome-contact me if you want to come)
- a nurse will be assigned to that area to help 11-9p
- ABOVE ALL-keep communicating with charge keep trying to work through the volume together
- suggestion from Kurt: color code the room when nurse needed (ie labs, pain meds, admit, etc) Will bring up at next clinical practice meeting

C. HP news: Kevin resigning to accept an in house position

3. EPIC updates : reviewed email from Ellen re: downtime procedures

4. JCAH: see attached "cheat sheet"

\*\*\*new and important\*\*\* we can no longer have ANY unlabeled containers at bedside-this includes suture kits, and includes the containers for the betadine and saline: The choice was to "label" the container with a sterile pen or get rid of the containers . I chose to get rid of the containers . So-from now on the tech will set up the kit in this way: put a blue chux down, open the kit and drop 2 boats of 4 x 4 s (one for betadine and one for saline).

The bottom line in all of this JCAH stuff is this-

You all "do what you do" so well-

(patients feel well cared for by all of you-and isn't that what it's really all about?)

As long as we just keep an eye out for the things that seem to be on their radar (and at least we know in advance what those things are) we'll be fine.

5. MISC

A. welcome Pam and Iris!!!!

B. RNS-still waiting to hear-will keep you UTD

- C. U of C and number of residents-again-no solid info yet-will let you know as soon as I know.
- D. WEBSITE: please forward what you are reading (or pearls to share) to me/ Geri Ambrosia to go onto the website-thanks!! My goal is to get the website to the point of being interesting enough that it's a go to place for at least the group.
- E. Main room update:
  - 1. Marlene is going to work on adding a link to the website on "how To admit at all 3 places
  - 2. Ideas for research: with our "formal " transition into main room "how much collaboration/supervision is enough" with NP/PAs caring for level 3/4/5 patients in the ED. Not a lot out there as of yet in terms of literature....since we are actually going through the process of doing it-seems like a good idea to at least "catalog" what we do. Anyone interested???