



THE WHAT AND WHY OF TEAMSTEPPS: A NEW WAY TO LOOK AT THE TOOLS AND CONCEPTS

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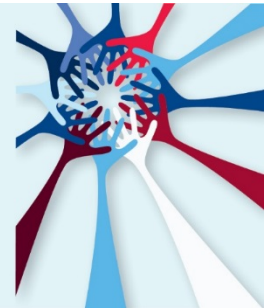
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UPCOMING TEAM TRAINING EVENTS



2019 AHA Team Training National Conference

June 12-14 ★ San Antonio aha.org/teamtraining



Grab your cowboy boots and block your calendar - AHA Team Training is heading to San Antonio this June for our annual conference!

Registration will open in January 2019.

UPCOMING TEAM TRAINING EVENTS

2019 TeamSTEPPS course schedule now posted:

- Check out 2019 TeamSTEPPS Master Training [course schedule](#) on our website. Registration will open in late January.

Monthly webinars:

- February 13: Expanding the Team: Practical Uses of TeamSTEPPS for Non-Clinical Team Members
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LEARNING OBJECTIVES

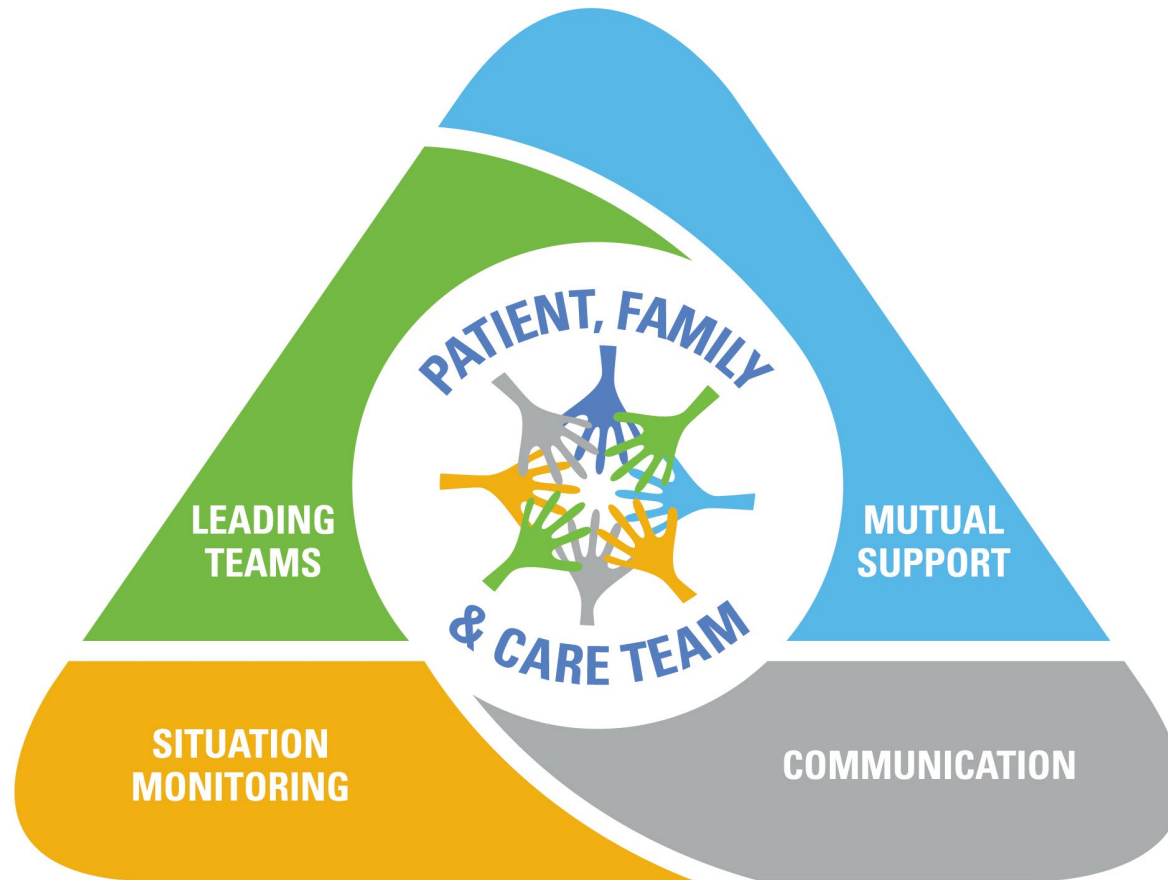
- Describe the contributing factors to medical errors and the need for improved communication and teamwork in healthcare.
- Discuss how implementing TeamSTEPPS in healthcare can lead to improved patient outcomes through better communication and teamwork.
- Identify the TeamSTEPPS tools associated with the 100, 200, and 300 level concepts and discuss how and when they may be best applied in a team setting.

TEAMSTEPPS

Team Strategies & Tools to Enhance Performance & Patient Safety

- Based on more than 30 years of research and evidence
- Team training programs have been shown to improve attitudes, increase knowledge, and improve behavioral skills
- Salas, et al. (2008) meta-analysis provided evidence that team training had a moderate, positive effect on team outcomes

TEAMSTEPPS



KEY CONCEPTS OF TEAMSTEPS

TEAM STRUCTURE

Identification of the components of a multi-team system that must work together effectively to ensure patient safety

COMMUNICATION

Structured process by which information is clearly and accurately exchanged among team members

LEADING TEAMS

Ability to maximize the activities of team members by ensuring that team actions are understood, changes in information are shared and team members have the necessary resources

SITUATION MONITORING

Process of actively scanning and assessing situational elements to gain information or understanding, or to maintain awareness to support team functioning

MUTUAL SUPPORT

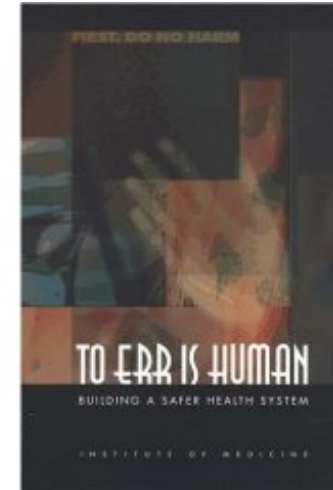
Ability to anticipate and support team members' needs through accurate knowledge about their responsibilities and workload



INSTITUTE OF MEDICINE

November, 1999

Approximately 100,000 patients die in the hospital each year from medical errors and 72 % resulted from communication errors



This report lays out a comprehensive strategy by which government, health care providers, industry, and consumers can reduce preventable medical errors. Concluding that the know-how already exists to prevent many of these mistakes, the report sets as a minimum goal a 50 percent reduction in errors over the next five years.

....14 YEARS LATER

September, 2013

Journal of Patient Safety, (John T. James, PhD)

IOM figure was probably underestimated

210,000 – 440,000 deaths due to preventable medical errors

May, 2016

BMJ, (Markary & Daniel)

Third-leading cause of death in America,
behind heart disease and cancer



WRONG-SITE SURGERY

In the United States, Hospitals

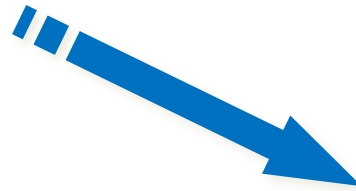
- Leave a foreign object (sponge, towel, instrument) inside a patient 96 times a week...
- Perform the wrong procedure on a patient 10 times a week...
- Operate on the wrong body part/site 20 times a week...

JAMA Surg. 2015;150(8):796-805.

Surgical Never Events in the United States. *Surgery* 2013; 153:465-472.



Team of Experts



Expert Team



EVIDENCE THAT TEAMSTEPPS WORKS

- Capella, et al. (2010)

- ❖ Trauma resuscitation team implementation
- ❖ Pre-and post-TeamSTEPPS training results:
 - Team performance improved across all teamwork skills: Leadership, Situation Monitoring, Mutual Support, Communication
 - Significantly decreased times from arrival to CT scanner, endotracheal intubation, and operating room

- Thomas & Galla (2013)

- ❖ Systemwide implementation
- ❖ Pre- and post-TeamSTEPPS training results:
 - Significant improvement in HSOPS scores on Feedback and Communication About Error, Frequency of Events Reported, Hospital Handoffs and Transitions, and Teamwork Across Units
 - Incremental changes evident through reduction of nosocomial infections, falls, birth trauma, and other incidents

REVIEW OF THE SKILLS

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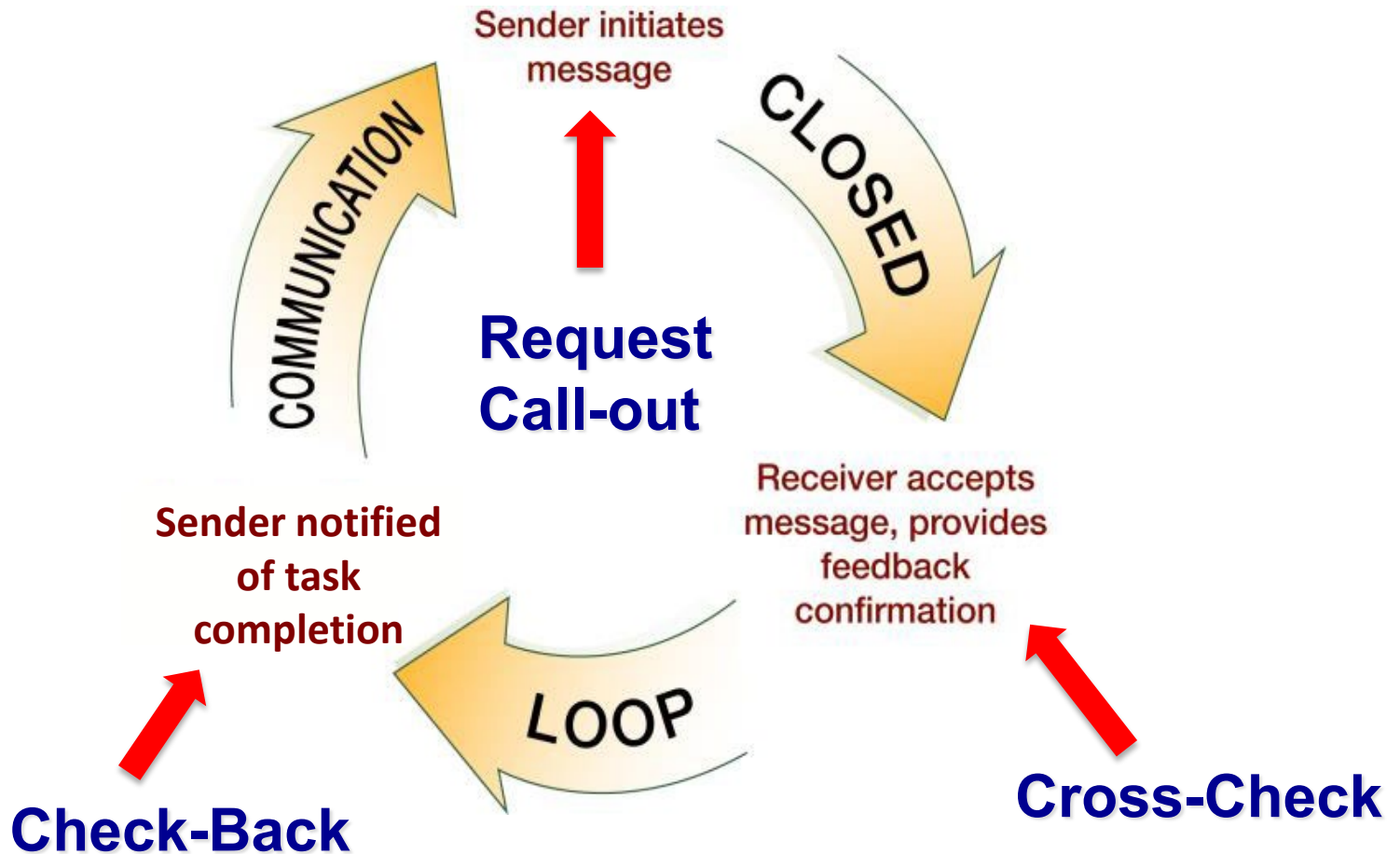
EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION

- **Complete**
- **Clear**: st
- **Brief**: be
- **Timely**: a



detail
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CLOSED LOOP COMMUNICATION



IMPACT OF COMMUNICATION ON PATIENTS



IMPACT OF COMMUNICATION ON TEAM PERFORMANCE



- “It still seems incomprehensible to her that such a seemingly minor thing – a brief *miscommunication* between two doctors...could have had such a disastrous impact...”
- “Ironically, the University of Washington has been a pioneer in recognizing that communication is the ‘*cornerstone of patient safety*.’”

- “...*failed in their duty to communicate* with each other...”
- “...it will take training...for the *closed-loop style [of communication]* to become ingrained in medical culture and the norm in all settings.”

*Source: Seattle Times



SBAR

A communication technique which provides a standardized framework to communicate about a patient's condition.

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A new patient moved here from Spokane with history of Afib and hypertension. Has been inconsistent with taking meds and attending appointments. Doesn't speak English – daughter interpreting.

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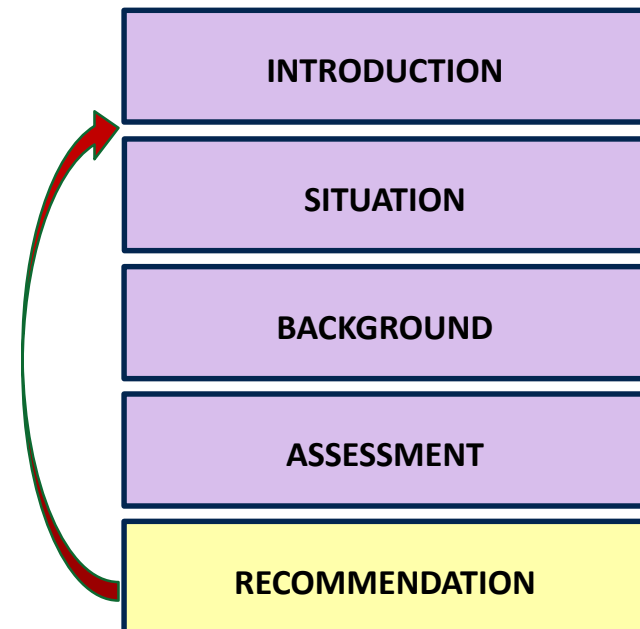
Her BP is 178/98, Sats 88%, lethargic. HR 122 and irregular.

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NOT “what do you want to do?”

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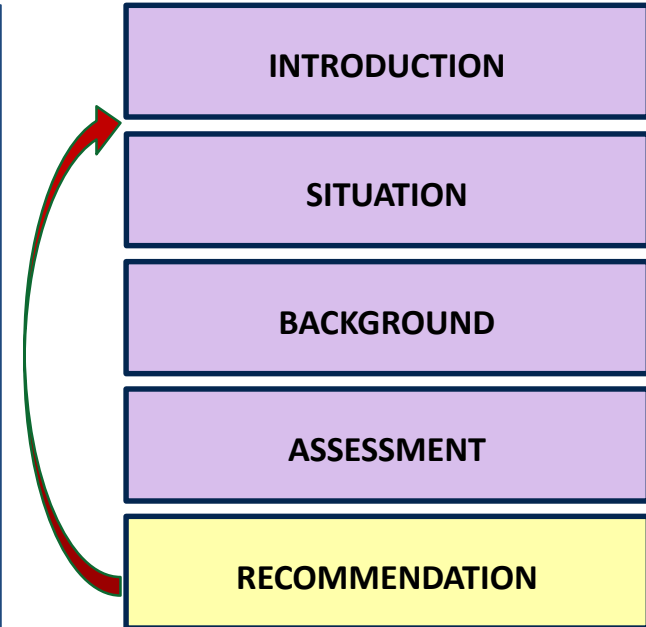
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Recommendation:

I think she needs to be seen right away and we might want to consider sending her to the ED.

HANDOFF IS...

The transfer of information during transitions in care across the continuum

- Includes an opportunity to ask questions, clarify, and confirm



“I PASS THE BATON”



- I**ntroduction: Introduce yourself and your role/job (include patient)
- P**atient: Identifiers, age, sex, location
- A**ssessment: Present chief complaint, vital signs, symptoms, and diagnosis
- S**ituation: Current status/circumstances, including code status, level of uncertainty, recent changes, and response to treatment
- S**afety: Critical lab values/reports, socioeconomic factors, allergies, and alerts (falls, isolation, etc.)

THE

- B**ackground: Comorbidities, previous episodes, current medications, and family history
- A**ctions: What actions were taken or are required? Provide brief rationale
- T**iming: Level of urgency and explicit timing and prioritization of actions
- O**wnership: Who is responsible (nurse/doctor/team)?
Include patient/family responsibilities
- N**ext: What will happen next? Anticipated changes?
What is the plan? Are there contingency plans?

OTHER EXAMPLES OF HANDOFF TOOLS

ANTICipate

- **A**ministrative Data; **N**ew clinical information; **T**asks to be performed; **I**llness severity; **C**ontingency plans for changes

I PASS

- **I**llness severity; **P**atient Summary; **A**ction list for the new team; **S**ituation awareness and contingency plans; **S**ynthesis and “read back” of the information

SHARQ

- **S**ituation; **H**istory; **A**ssessment; **R**ecommendations/Result; **Q**uestions

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SITUATION MONITORING

The state of knowing the current conditions affecting one's work and environment.

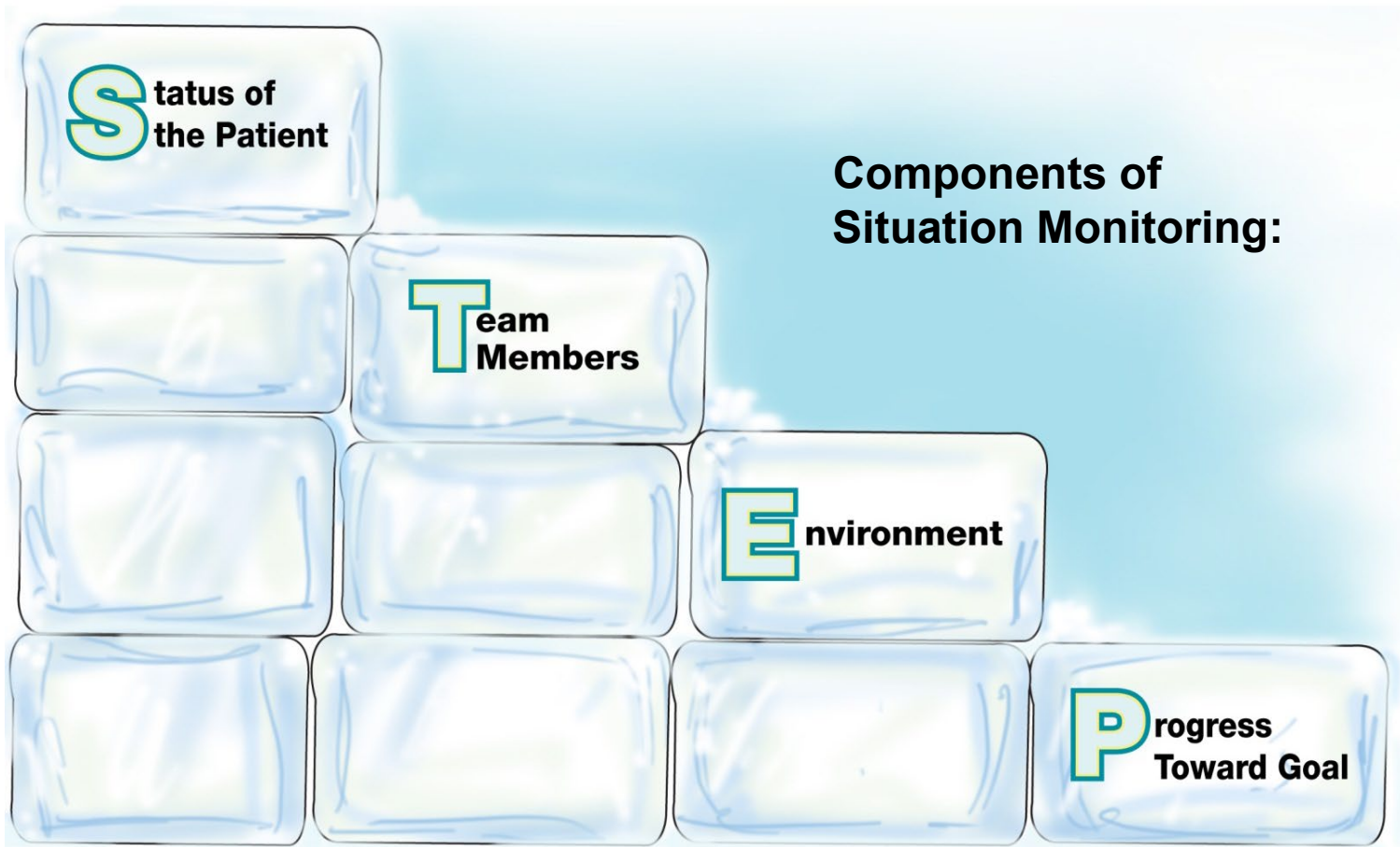
Cross-Monitoring

- Watching each other's backs
- Ensuring mistakes/oversights are caught

STEP checklist

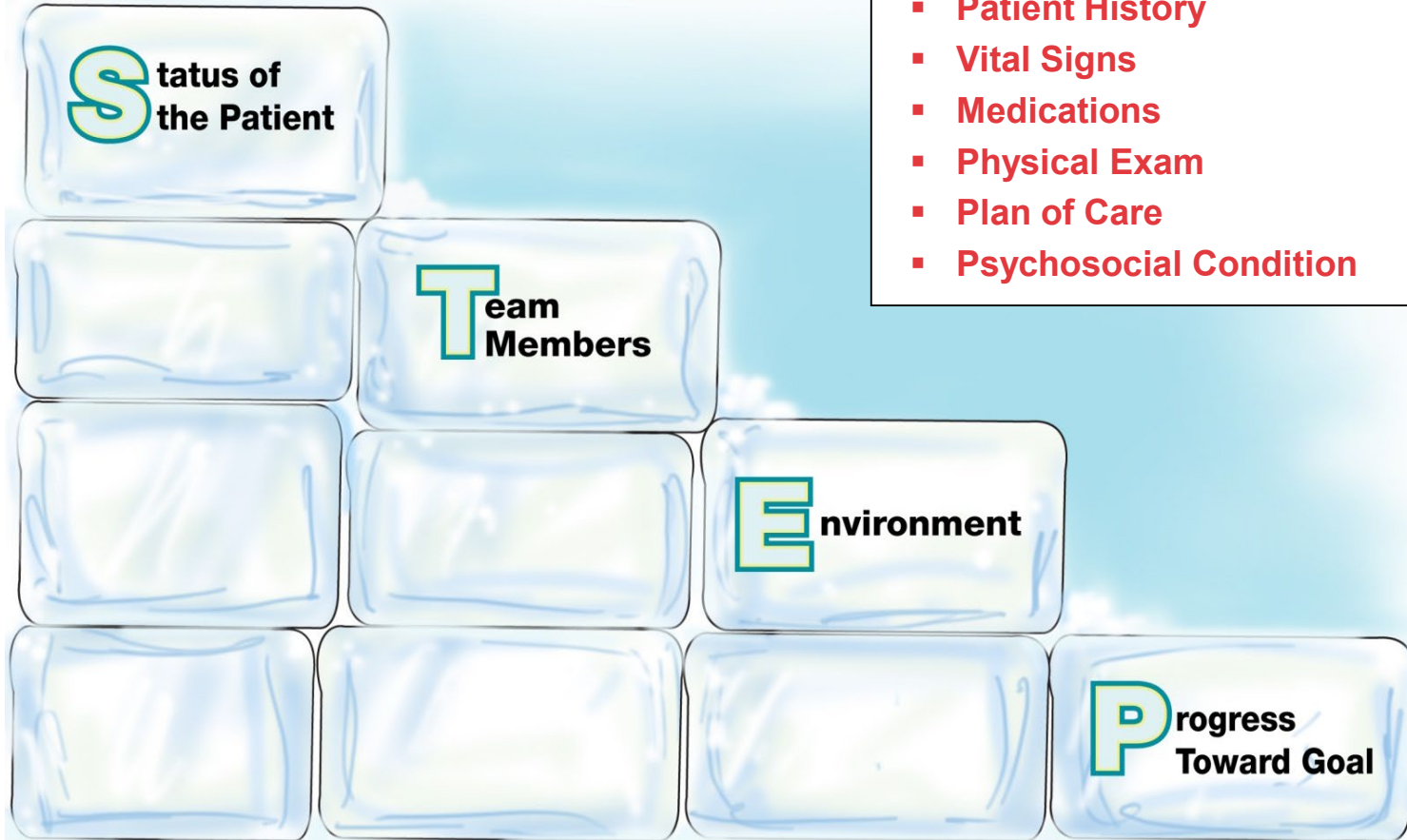
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STEP CHECKLIST

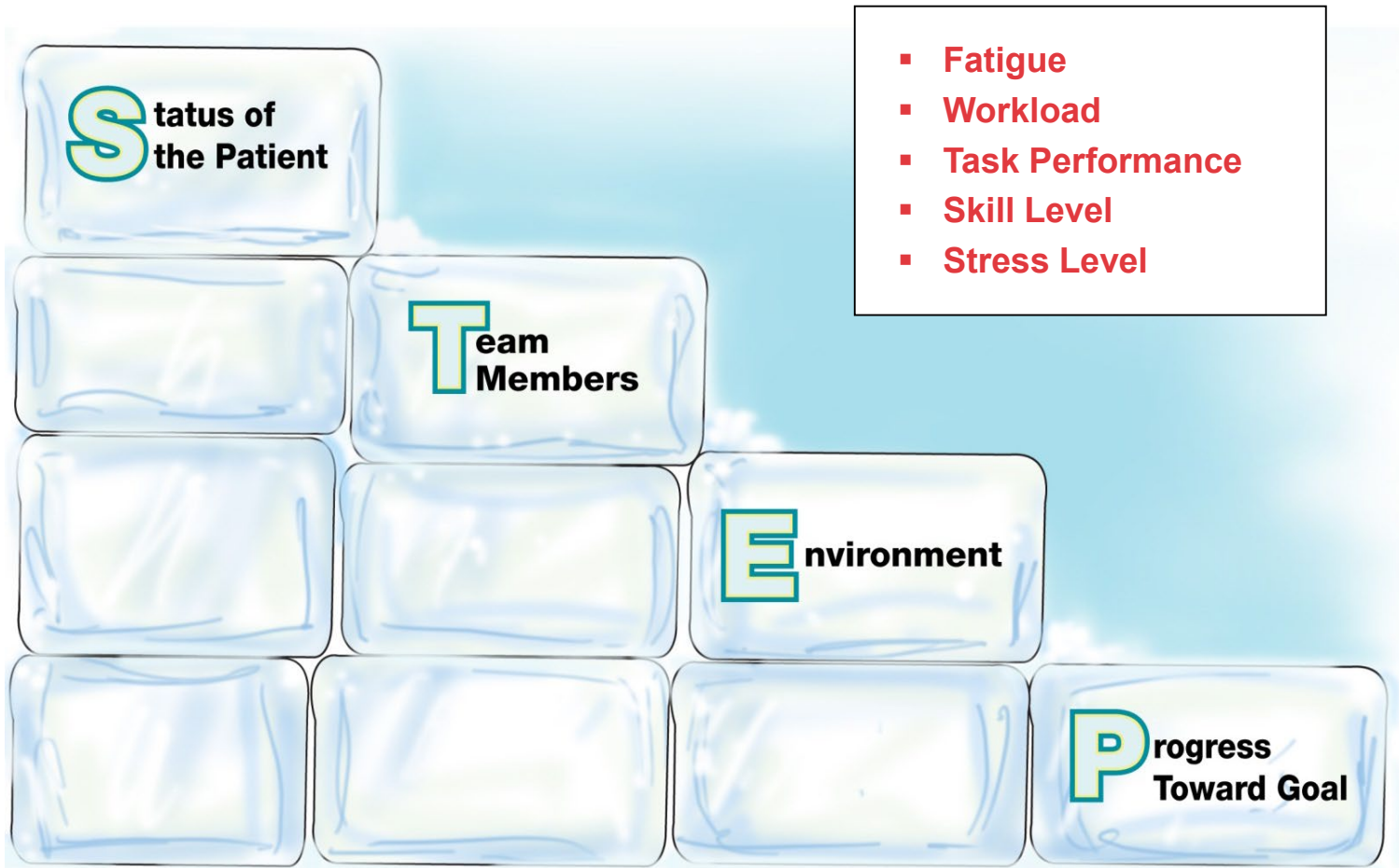


Components of
Situation Monitoring:

STATUS OF THE PATIENT



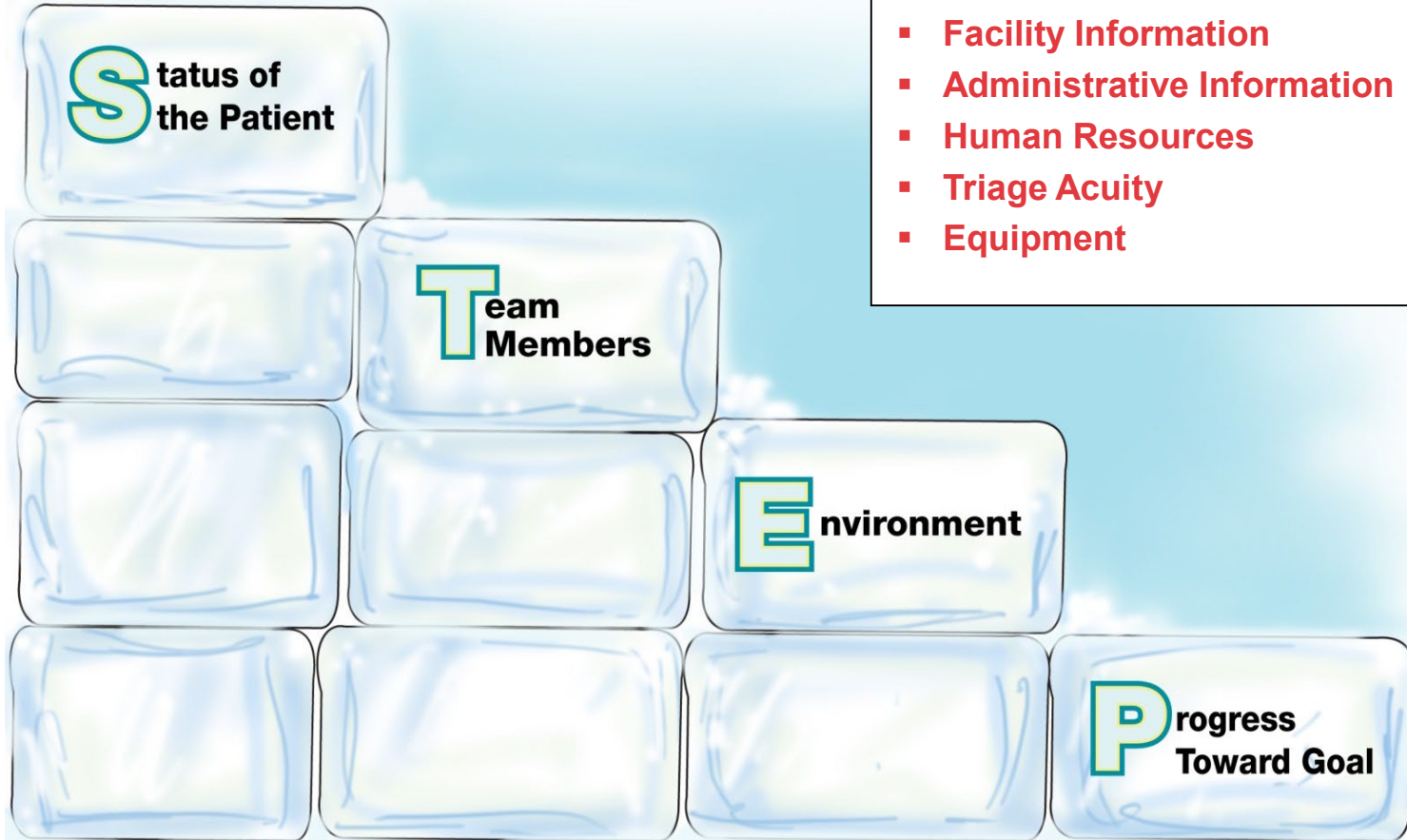
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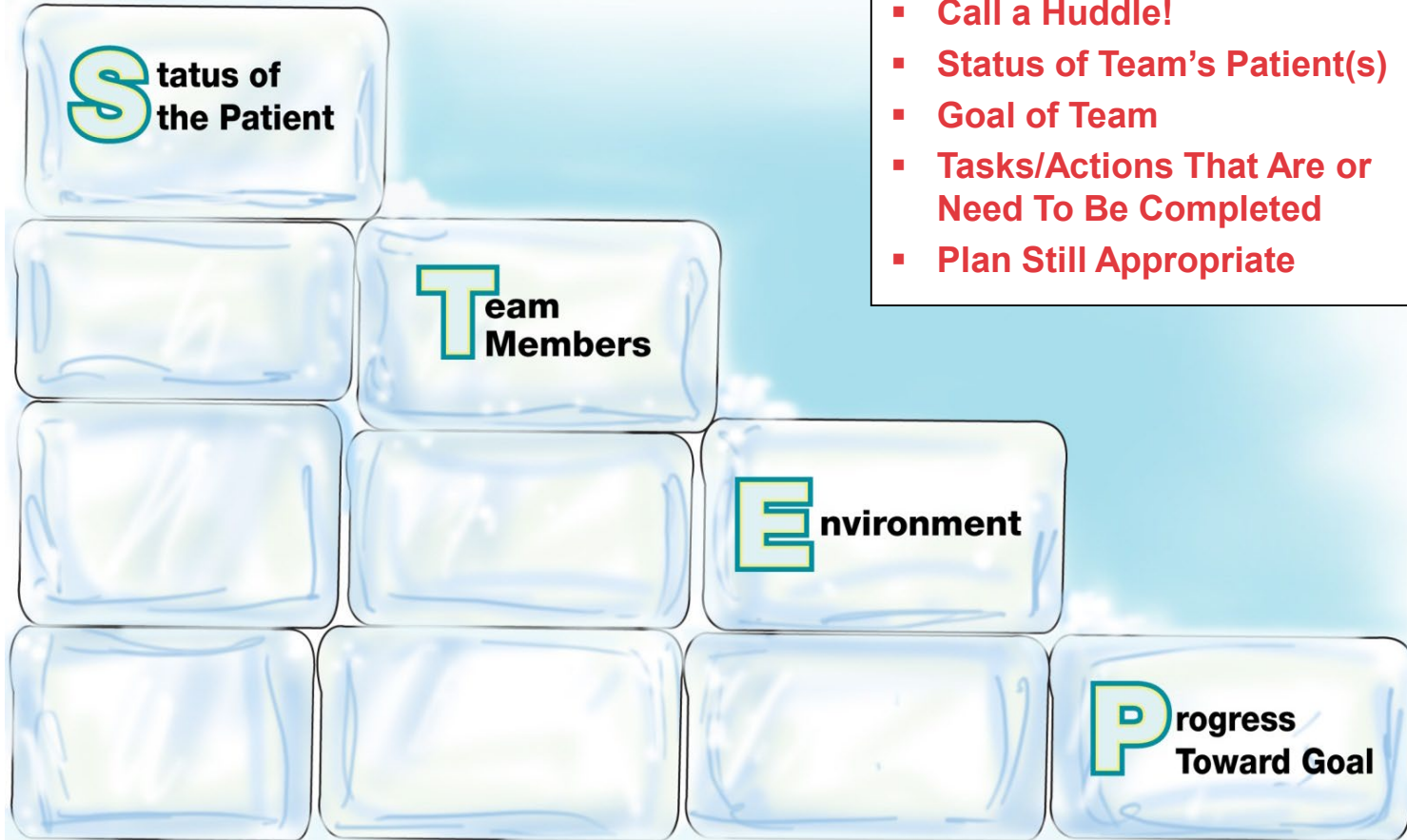
I'M SAFE CHECKLIST

- I** = **I**llness
- M** = **M**edication
- S** = **S**tress
- A** = **A**lcohol and **D**rugs
- F** = **F**atigue
- E** = **E**ating and **E**limination

ENVIRONMENT

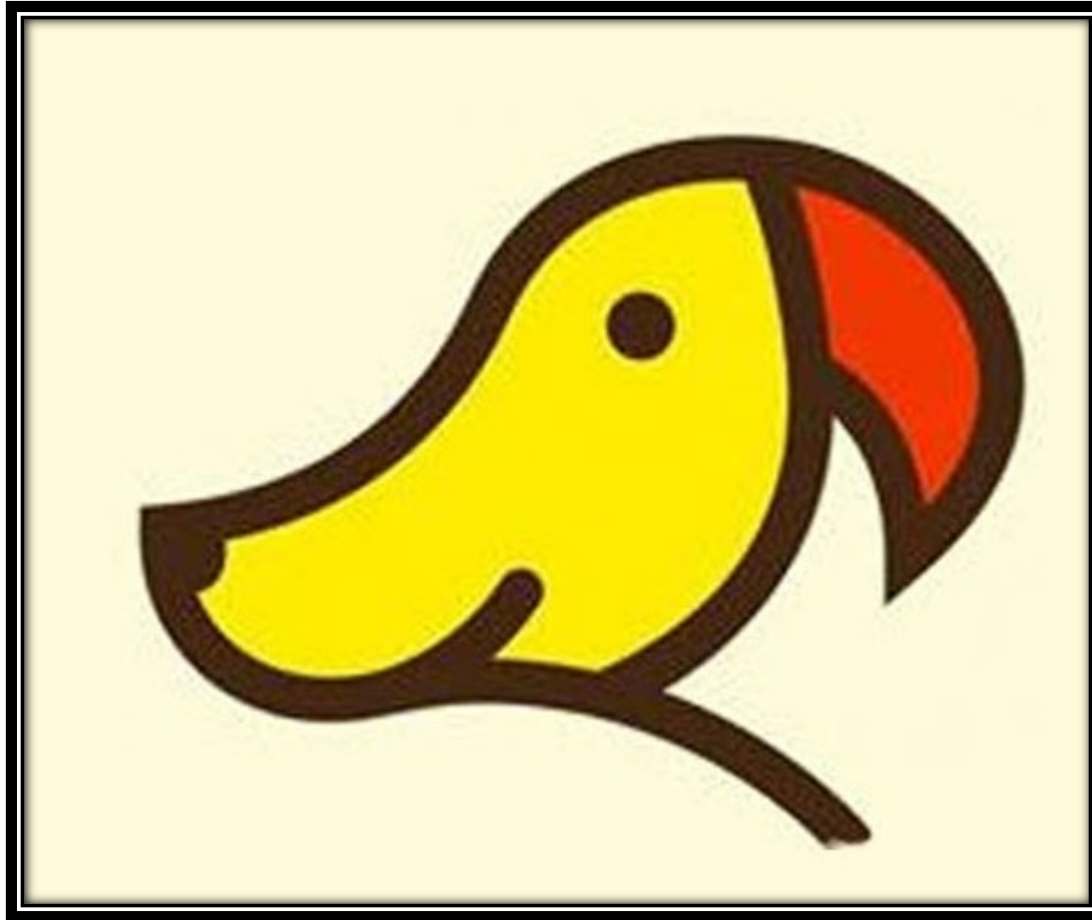


PROGRESS TOWARD GOAL



- Call a Huddle!
- Status of Team's Patient(s)
- Goal of Team
- Tasks/Actions That Are or Need To Be Completed
- Plan Still Appropriate

SHARED MENTAL MODEL



HOW TO GET TO A SHARED MENTAL MODEL

How:

- Call Outs
- Cross Checks
- Call Backs
- SBAR

When:

- Briefs
- Huddles
- Debriefs
- Transitions in Care

LEADING TEAMS

Briefs

- Short session to plan
- Assign roles, establish expectations, anticipate outcomes

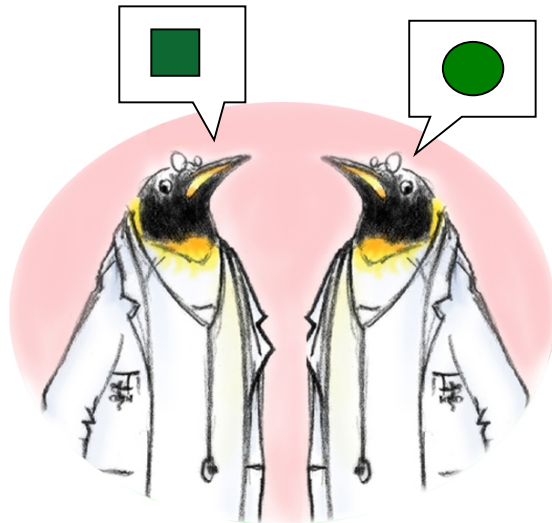
Huddles

- Ad hoc planning to reestablish/reinforce and assess or adjust plans

Debriefs

- Information exchange after the action

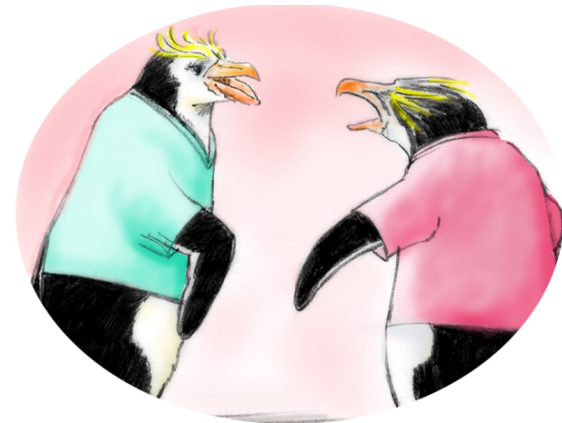
CONFLICT IN TEAMS



Informational Conflict
(We have different information!)



Two-Challenge Rule
CUS



Interpersonal Conflict
(Hostile and harassing behavior)



DESC Script

CONFLICT RESOLUTION

DESC SCRIPT

A constructive approach for
managing and resolving conflict

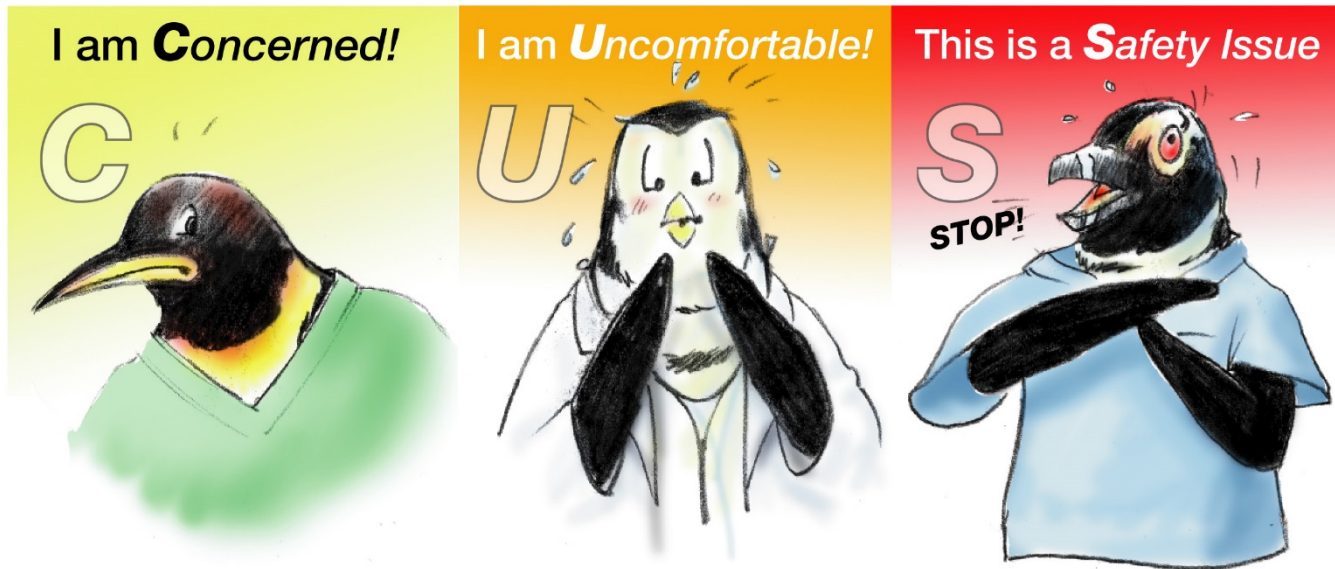
D—Describe the specific situation

E—Express your concerns about the action

S—Suggest other alternatives

C—Consequences should be stated

PLEASE USE CUS WORDS BUT **ONLY** WHEN APPROPRIATE!



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TOOLS & STRATEGIES SUMMARY

BARRIERS

- Inconsistency in Team Membership
- Lack of Time
- Lack of Information Sharing
- Hierarchy
- Defensiveness
- Conventional Thinking
- Complacency
- Varying Communication Styles
- Conflict
- Lack of Coordination and Followup With Coworkers
- Distractions
- Fatigue
- Workload
- Misinterpretation of Cues
- Lack of Role Clarity

TOOLS and STRATEGIES

Communication

- SBAR
- Call-Out
- Check-Back
- Handoff

Leading Teams

- Brief
- Huddle
- Debrief

Situation Monitoring

- STEP
- I'M SAFE

Mutual Support

- Task Assistance
- Feedback
- Assertive Statement
- Two-Challenge Rule
- CUS
- DESC Script

OUTCOMES

- Shared Mental Model
- Adaptability
- Team Orientation
- Mutual Trust
- Team Performance
- *Patient Safety!!*

RESOURCES

- TeamSTEPPS <https://www.ahrq.gov/teamstepps/index.html>
- AHA Team Training. <https://www.aha.org/center/performance-improvement/team-training/resources>
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