
Clinical transformation update

Clinical transformation. You've probably heard about it for quite some time, but many of us are still not sure exactly what it means. For the next few months, I'm going to share with you why Baylor Health Care System (BHCS) has made a commitment to transform its clinical practice, how we plan to get there, and most importantly how this will affect you—the physician.

Very simply, clinical transformation is the way we will “operationalize” best care. To do this, we will review and improve every clinical process and procedure in order to implement the STEEEP ideals: safe, timely, effective, efficient, equitable, and patient-centered care.

Although Baylor is one of the largest health care systems nationwide, it still operates as a loose confederation of entities. Our goal is to unite the system to provide the best care possible. Undoubtedly, Baylor facilities offer quality care, but can it be better? The answer is yes, we can do better. We can begin to offer patients a seamless experience regardless of which facility they select. We can provide physicians with the best information to make clinical decisions, anytime, anywhere. And we can

eliminate variation of care across our system. This and much more *is* clinical transformation.

Within the next few months you will receive information on proposed new order sets representing weeks of work by physician groups dedicated to incorporating evidence-based care. These order sets include

- Venous thromboembolism guidelines and risk assessment
- Obstetrics order set
- Intensive glucose control order set

Baylor's desire is to provide the type of care that all of us would want for our loved ones and for ourselves. Whether you are actively involved in a physician work team or are one of the thousands of physicians that make up this incredible organization, please join me in our pursuit of creating an ideal place to give and receive care.

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