



Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center

DEPARTMENT OF NURSING

ADMINISTRATIVE

POLICY AND PROCEDURE

SUBJECT: COLLABORATION, INTERDISCIPLINARY

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Purpose: To define processes and structures within the nursing department which support interdisciplinary collaboration at all levels within the organization.

Policy Statement: The following structures are in place to support interdisciplinary collaboration.

EXECUTIVE LEVEL:

1. The Chief Nursing Officer (CNO)/designee is a representative on the Medical Executive Committee, Executive Council, and other interdisciplinary committees.
2. Representatives from other departments may attend Nursing Executive Council at any time.
3. Regular briefings are held between the Chief Nursing Officer, Chief Medical Officer, Chief Operations Officer and Chief Executive Officer.

DEPARTMENT HEAD/DIRECTOR SERVICE CHIEF LEVEL:

1. Nurse Managers and Directors are representatives of the Department of Nursing on all Medical Staff Committees, Professional Staff Association Committees, and Service Councils.
2. Nurse Managers/designees represent the Department of Nursing in all area or service specific team meetings.

CLINICAL LEVEL:

1. Treating teams meet on a regular basis at new patient conferences, patient/family centered rounds, and team conference meetings. Registered Nurses meet and actively participate with the interdisciplinary team on a regular basis (i.e. to solve patient care related issues and support optimum patient care).

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