Driving Value Through Interdisciplinary Functional Assessment

**Section:** Section on Health Policy & Administration  
**Co-Section:** Academy of Acute Care PT  
**Date:** Friday, February 17, 2017  
**Time:** 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM  
**Location:** Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center  
**Room:** 225D

**Speaker(s):**  
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**Session Type:** Educational Sessions  
**Session Level:** Intermediate

**Description:**  
Health care reform has reinforced the need to target interventions, eliminate preventable harms, and increase the utilization of surveillance models to promote health status. Functional status is a key indicator of overall health. Hence, a systematic approach for tracking patient physical function is necessary in order to promote optimal health trajectories, to identify at-risk populations, and to reduce potentially preventable harms across care settings. Currently, a standardized metric for tracking patient physical function and functional trajectory in a feasible manner, across the continuum of care and amongst discipline does not exist. This session will detail Johns Hopkins Medicine's pragmatic approach to implementing a common interdisciplinary functional assessment within the hospital through postacute care, and into the ambulatory environment to drive patient-centered outcomes and resulting value.

**Learning Objectives:**

1. Present opportunities for practical use of interdisciplinary functional measures to trigger targeted intervention to enhance outcomes or reduce costs along the health care continuum.  
2. Present considerations and compromises in choosing interdisciplinary functional outcome and health status measures as part of a coordinated institutional functional assessment strategy.  
3. Examine electronic medical record design considerations to support collection, aggregation, and reporting of data to facilitate clinical decision making.  
4. Discuss practical strategies to implement and communicate coordinated interdisciplinary functional assessment measures across the continuum.
Session Outline:

1. Introduction: System Thinking – Alan Jette, PT, PhD
2. The Interdisciplinary Functional Assessment Story at Johns Hopkins - Michael Friedman, PT, MBA
   a. Bed Rest is Bad – Functional Surveillance and Intervention
   b. Value and Leveraging Healthcare Reform
   c. Functional Reconciliation
   d. Tool Selection
   e. Vision and Approach
3. Leveraging Systems to Establish Function as a Vital Sign – Kelly Daley, PT, MBA
   a. Systems Can Inform Our Key Questions about Function
   b. Leveraging the Electronic Health Record (EHR)
   c. Analytical Visualization of Data
   d. Deliver Information Back into the Course of Care
   e. Team
4. Practical Strategies to Communicate and Coordinate Interdisciplinary Functional Assessment
   a. Acute Care Functional Reconciliation – Michael Friedman, PT, MBA
      i. Value Opportunity
      ii. Purpose/project scope
      iii. Steps
         1. Buy in/culture change
         2. Workflow analysis
         3. Implementation
            a. Tools
            b. Education
         4. Review/Audit
      iv. Future Goals and Sustainability
   b. Homecare Functional Reconciliation – Suzanne Havrilla, PT, DPT, GCS, COS-C
      i. Value Opportunity
      ii. Purpose/project scope
      iii. Steps
         1. Buy in/culture change
         2. Workflow analysis
         3. Implementation
            a. Tools
            b. Education
         4. Review/Audit
      iv. Future Goals and Sustainability
   c. Outpatient Functional Reconciliation – Laurie Fitz, PT, CLT
      i. Purpose/project scope
      ii. Steps
         1. Buy in/culture change
2. Workflow analysis
   iii. Implementation
      1. Tools
      2. Education
   iv. Review/Audit
   v. Future Goals and Sustainability

5. Considerations, Competing Priorities, and What’s Next
6. Panel Discussion
   a. Alan Jette, PT, PhD
   b. Kelly Daley, PT, MBA
   c. Michael Friedman, PT, MBA
   d. Suzanne Havrilla, PT, DPT, GCS, COS-C
   e. Laurie Fitz, PT, CLT

References:


Gawande, A. Cowboys to Pit Crews. The New Yorker, May 26, 2011
