“One Tip” Template and Example

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Census audit for Foley catheters developed by Dr. Chad Whelan & Dr. Catherine DuBeau as a part of the CHAMP program @ the University of Chicago.

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Title:
Census Audit: Teaching Indications for Foley Catheter Use

Purpose of the exercise:
To teach the indications for appropriate Foley catheter use by auditing such use on team ward rounds.

Teaching venue:
Inpatient rounds

Learners:
3rd & 4th year Medical Students; Interns & Residents

How to implement:
The attending introduces the idea of the census audit to the team and then the specifics of auditing Foley catheters in patients assigned to their service. The attending gives background on the appropriate use of Foley catheters and need for removal when no longer indicated. The Foley catheter use for the inpatient team’s patients is then audited as with or without appropriate indication. A plan is set by the team for intervention/s including a re-audit in two weeks. See the CHAMP website for the audit sheet and instructions @ http://champ.bsd.uchicago.edu.
What information is provided to the learners before the exercise?:
The information as listed above including: the what, why and how of the census audit and appropriate Foley catheter use in the elderly hospitalized patient.

What instructions are given to the learners for the exercise?:
The learners including the medical students, interns and residents on the inpatient team have the task of the re-audit their team’s patients in 2 weeks and implicit in this is learning the 4 indications for Foley catheter use.

How are the learners debriefed?:
During the course of ward rounds

Geriatric Pearl of the Day:
Did you know that Foley catheters cause 40% of nosocomial infections?
Did you know that Foley catheters are a risk factor for falls and delirium?