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Community Task Force

Focus Areas:

1. Communication improvements
2. Employee Health and Immunizations
3. Sharing Best Practices

Communication Roundtable:

- Standardize Common forms
- Case Managers/Discharge planners to have influence on process to better communicate

Ways to improve:

- Website/Best Practices
- Educate Discharge Planners
- Sharing with Positive Attitude

What can be done:

- Task force
- Education
- Understanding what each level of care can do
- When a resident has an infection – what type of infection is it & how to identify (i.e. culture, how to relay this information if the resident moves to a different level of care of facility)
- Understanding the different regulations that each entity must comply
- Order sets – timeliness and completeness

Employee Health Roundtable:

- Employee Immunization
 - Initial focus will be Flu Vaccine
 - Determine programs and costs
 - Determine “Active” Flu Season
- Challenges and Barriers:
 - Cost
 - Employees not wanting shot
 - How to identify who has had the shot
 - Masking staff
- Tracking Infection Control Rates:
 - Common sticker for healthcare centers (so that all staff can know who has had the flu shot)
 - Masking
 - Signs at the door
 - Use hospital lead to determine “Active” flu season

Sharing Best Practices Roundtable:

- Discussed website development
- Warren from EliteCare offered services for hosting of website
- Discussed website being able to be accessed by participants and being low maintenance