Are Your Cath PCI Processes Optimized for Same-Day Discharge?

Due to a number of factors, elective PCI procedures resulting in same-day discharge occurs less commonly than might be anticipated and that’s costing Cath Labs plenty. A good deal of research and evidence exists to suggest that gaining greater control of the care variations associated with PCI procedures can reduce in-hospital admissions and consequently the costs associated with a patient’s post-procedure stay.

A recently published study estimates that adopting the practices that support same-day discharge for elective PCI can save facilities, on average, around $5,000 per patient. Simply put, facilities that choose not to employ safe, patient-centered protocols for same-day discharge are incurring upwards of $500,000 in unnecessary expenses when admitting as few as 100 patients. To improve PCI procedures and prompt more same-day discharges, you need the tool that helps ensure patient safety and emphasizes operational efficiencies. ACC’s Cardiac Cath Lab Accreditation is that tool.

Results of Accreditation

ACC’s Cardiac Cath Lab Accreditation provides the framework to fine-tune your facilities processes and workflows to improve patient outcomes and reduce resource waste. The Essential Components of accreditation provide guidance and Shared Practices to help you:

1. define and document your same-day discharge process
2. review radial access rates
3. ensure guidelines for inclusion and exclusion criteria for same-day discharge
4. define pre-procedure assessments
5. documentation of patient bleeding risk
6. documentation of patient follow-up
7. document all of your processes and policies in one location for ease of access
8. define the process for inventory management

By pairing Cardiac Cath Lab Accreditation with your NCDR CathPCI Registry® metrics, your multidisciplinary team can travel the path to better outcomes, improved patient care, increased patient satisfaction, and increased ROI.
Map Out New Goals with Cardiac Cath Lab Accreditation

Accreditation gives you the tools to effectively examine variations in care and helps your facility focus on the many factors that influence safe patient discharge. Ask us how Cardiac Cath Lab Accreditation can help your team address concerns at every decision point from pre-procedure patient assessments to procedure room safety to the cost of expiring inventory and material management.

Cardiac Cath Lab Accreditation Drives Same-Day Discharge

As a result of achieving Cardiac Cath Lab Accreditation, facilities are largely able to point to significant improvements in the transitions of care:

- promotes consistent best practices
- employs individualized patient and family-centered approach
- creates a defined care coordination team
- promotes provider collaboration and communication
- Increases patient satisfaction

What Direction is Your Cath Lab Headed?

Are your policies in line with the cost savings that can be achieved through the safe and routine practice of same-day discharge? ACC’s Cardiac Cath Lab Accreditation can help you implement the risk-based approach to same-day discharge while minimizing the variances of care that obstruct the path to more efficient cath lab operations.

Get the trusted advice, tools, and resources that will help you align all the essential elements associated with evidence-based care.

Get Where You’re Meant To Be!

While today’s challenge could be advocating for a smarter same-day discharge plan, tomorrow’s may be better management of cath lab inventories and resources. It’s too easy for a performance improvement program to go miles off course when not guided by the best tools, best practices, and most current medical therapies.

Ask us how ACC Accreditation Services can help you create a roadmap that leads to optimal results.

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