

VERNON ALLIANCE PROJECT TRACKING SHEET

Partner	Project Name	Physician Lead	Dyads	Purpose	Timeline	PQI	VJHPS	PSP	Div of FP	Shared Care	Health System Redesign	IH QI	VJH Fnd
Physician Quality Improvement (PQI)	Updated Mar 24/23												
PQI	Improving Hospitalists Work Culture	Dr. Travis Allen		To ensure the sustainability of peer review processes for current and new hospitalists and overall work culture - living our values.	2022/23	X					X		
PQI	Civility Matters	Dr. Yann Brierley	Alicia Ponich	The project aims to improve the hospital/perioperative services environment on the interpersonal level as the critical basis for the quadruple aim of improved workplace mental health and safety, job satisfaction, morale at work and optimal patient care.	2022/23	X	X					X	
PQI	Improving the Quality of MOST Forms	Dr. Alex Mantha	Chris Crawford	Physicians utilize completed MOST forms to guide discussion and decision-making. The project focus is to ensure that the current MOST form matches the clinical situation, specifically in the context of patient handovers.	2022/23	X							
PQI	Improving Hospitalist Discharge Communication	Dr. Jordan Koopman	Heather Wood	Hospitalist discharge communication is integral to providing better longitudinal care. The project focuses on improving discharge summaries' completeness, accuracy and timeliness.	2022/23	X							
VJH Physician Society (VJHPS)	Updated Mar 20/23												
VJHPS	Civility Matters to Patient Care - Phase 2	Dr. Yann Brierley	Alicia Ponich	Working with Dept of Surgery and VJH administration using tools and facilitator from Phase 1.	Oct 2021 - ongoing		X				X	X	
VJHPS	Complex Polypectomy QI	Dr. Hamish Hwang	ACU manager	Review of cases before and after implementation of complex polyp pathway. What elements of the key quality indicator have improved, which still need improvement? What are barriers to achievement of all quality indicators? Validate complex polyp pathway to help integrate into clinical practice for all endoscopists.	Nov 2021 - July 2023		X						X
VJHPS	Creating a Decision Pathway for Suspected Appendicitis	Dr. Hamish Hwang		A recent study done at VJH showed that ultrasound has a 64% sensitivity for acute appendicitis and that false negative results created confusion in clinical decision making. Purpose of this activity is to build on the results of this study to develop a decision pathway agreed upon by surgeons, radiologists and emergency physicians.	Possible end date Nov 2023 (delayed due to ED stressors)		X						
VJHPS	Physician Engagement Co-sponsorship Support (PECS)	Dr. Marius Aucamp	Dependent on project	When a physician lead receives funding from one of the Alliance Partners for work that fulfills the Facility Engagement Initiative intent, sessional reimbursement for other physicians needed to work on the activity isn't always included in the funding eligibility. The VJHPS Executive identified this funding gap, and this activity will fulfill that need by providing an ongoing funding source.	Started Jan 2021.		X						
VJHPS	Physician Leadership Investment Fund	Dr. Kira McClellan		Funds are available to help support leadership and professional development training for our local physicians to help improve their skills and expertise in their leadership and quality improvement work. Funding will be capped at three hours per physician per course to a maximum of 9 hours per physician per fiscal year. For those interested or ready to commit to a leadership position (eg Department Head, MSA Executive, Chief of Staff, local champions), full course funding may be considered on a case-by-case basis.	Nov 2022 - ongoing		X						
VJHPS	Radioactive Seed Localization for Breast Cancer at VJH	Dr. Michael Horkoff	Janell Thorpe, Chad Rideout	To design and implement a protocol at VJH for Iodine-125 seed localization used during breast lumpectomy for breast cancer.	January 2022 - 2023		X						X

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VJHPS	Second Lab Grossing Station Feasibility Study	Dr. Oana Popescu	Cara Clower, Hope Byrne, Joanne Isber	To produce a report that will provide foundational information necessary to determine the feasibility of a second grossing station in the current gross room: cost of environmental study, assessment of the current ventilation system's capacity, locating and assessing the capabilities of vendors and contractors to supply and install the appropriate equipment and determining timeline and approval process through IHA.	Oct 2021 - Mar 31 2022. Waiting for IH to test 2 fan hoods.		X						
VJHPS	Strategic Planning – Anesthesiology	Dr. Tom Cull	Dr. Andrew Sellars, EMD	To improve engagement of the Anesthesiology department members working in Vernon and have them contribute to the collective direction of their Department; to create a more cohesive working arrangement between Departments in how they provide inpatient care for the community; and to provide IH administration and other partners with a clear picture of how these Departments wish to develop.	Nov 2021 -		X				X		
VJHPS	Increasing Engagement & Trust with Youth with Type 1 Diabetes	Dr. Eiko Waida	Dr. Devin Harris, IH Exec Med Director for Quality & Patient Safety, and the KGH hospital Foundation	QI project aimed to improve engagement, trust and rapport with Type 1 diabetic teens using a digital platform for all text conversations between diabetes team members.	April - Sept 2023		X						
Practice Support Program (PSP)	Updated Mar 27/23												
PSP	Quality Improvement			Supporting Physician's with quality improvement activities. Supporting MOA's within clinics; EMR optimization, practice efficiencies, proactive & preventative care.				X					
PSP	Local Event - Walk with your Doc 2023	Dr. Flanagan & Murphy		Local event in Polson Park with Tasha Gagne and physician leads May 10, 12 - 1 pm. Please spread the word and join if possible!				X					
PSP	Quality Improvement			Continuing with Panel Management and panel maintenance with Physician's. More relevant with changes coming in 2023.				X					
Divisions of Family Practice	Updated Mar 20/23												
Div of FP	Physician Wellness Co-sponsored Events with VJH Physician Society			Events organized by the SNO Division of Family Practice.	Ongoing		X		X				
Shared Care	Updated Mar 27/23												
Shared Care	No local projects at this time												
Health System Redesign	Updated Nov 22/22												
HS Redesign	Strategic Planning - Depts of Family and Hospitalist Medicine - Dept of Internal Medicine - Pediatrics - Ob/Gyn - Anesthesia - Oncology - ED	Dr. Andrew Sellars other physician leads/dept heads	Richard Harding	Medical Structure Review Improve engagement of dept members working in Vernon and involve them in collective direction of their department as well as provide IH admin and other partners with clear picture of how the dept wishes to develop.	HSR: Since 20/21 Q3, supporting a big bucket, but treating each dept's strat planning as one project (HSR funds time-limited projects, not ongoing activities)		X				X		
HS Redesign	Evaluating the Length of Hospital Stay for Patients with Uncomplicated Appendicitis - Phase 1	Dr. Michael Horkoff	Holly Wise, Chad Rideout	Evaluating hospital stays of patients with uncomplicated appendicitis at VJH may uncover opportunities for improving patient care and cost savings. Laparoscopic appendectomy for acute uncomplicated appendicitis has been well studied and established as a safe procedure appropriate for same day hospital discharge.	3 months						no funding application for 2022/23	X	
HS Redesign	Civility Matters	Dr. Yann Brierley	Alicia Ponich	Promote collectively working together to nurture a hospital culture of caring that enables staff to foster joy at work and provide the best possible patient care. HSR provide funds for physician engagement (sessional time).	HSR: 21/22 Q4 - 22/23 Q4		X				X	X	

