Northwest Kidney Centers Safety Committee Meeting Minutes: February 17, 2022

Members Present: Tammy Heck, Fiona Wolf, Kalvin Cheung, Danny Wiederrick, Ray Robles, Chris Matala, Katrina Collins, Gail Cutrell, Krystle Harrington, and Tosha Mackness.

Members Not Present: Andy Voorhies, Kim Frodsham, Heather Johnson, Kathy Lilienthal

Facilities: Auburn Kidney Center, Broadway Kidney Center, Burien Kidney Center, Elliott Bay Kidney Center, Enumclaw Kidney Center, Everett Kidney Center, Federal Way East Kidney Center, Federal Way West Campus Kidney Center, Fife Kidney Center, Kent Kidney Center, Kirkland Kidney Center, Lake City Kidney Center, Bellevue Kidney Center, Port Angeles Kidney Center, Rainier Beach Kidney Center, Renton Kidney Center, Scribner Kidney Center, SeaTac Kidney Center, Seattle Kidney Center, Snoqualmie Ridge Kidney Center, Home Hemo & PD Programs, Hospital Services, Logistics, Burien and Haviland Administrative Locations.

AGENDA	ITEM	ACTION	COMPLETION	FOLLOW UP
Administrative	Approval of Oct. 2021 minutes		Done	Approved by members of the Safety Committee Team
Standing Agenda Items				
Accident and Injury Data	Safety Alert System (SAS)	Provide the committee with employee injuries by NKC location and type for the prior four quarters. Feb. 2021 – Jan. 2022 Back Injuries = 9 Strain/Sprain = 12 Slips/Trips/Falls = 13 Needlesticks/Sharps/Blood Exposure = 20 Total = 54	OPEN - Katrina Down 2 Up 2 Same Up 6	 Needlesticks – data is being evaluated and if needed, Products will be asked to look at needle alternatives. Falls – 2/5 were snow related.

Environment of Care Rounding	2022 Annual EOC Rounds	In process.	OPEN	Krystle has created huddle cards to be shared with staff for issues noted in the EOC rounds.
After Action Reports (AAR) and Lessons Learned	Renton carbon tank failure Sept. 2021	Elevated chlorine levels in the feed water. Unit closed for 1 ½ days. Patients dialyzed at other NKC units.	CLOSED - Tammy	 Both carbon tanks exhausted. New carbon placed 3 months prior to failure. Carbon tests showed premature carbon exhaustion. Elliott Bay opened to accommodate most of the patients.
	Snoqualmie Smoke Alarm Oct. 2021	Smoke alarm due to HVAC refrigerant spilled on the roof. Patients and staff evacuated. Used this scenario for most October 2021 or January 2022 Fire Drills.	OPEN – Tammy	 Staff smelled fumes and saw smoke entering the facility, began to rinse patients back. Smoke alarm went off and 6 patients/4 staff evacuated the building. Outside for 10-15 minutes in the rain under the awning of the building. Recommendation 1. Add umbrellas in the black boxes. 2. Add emergency phones to the list of items to take outside. 911 called. Black box, red binder and daily roster were taken outside.

	Snow Event Dec. 2021	After Action Report Created and being looked at by the content experts.	OPEN – content experts	 Waiting on response from transportation. Will follow up. Request a report from IT for total hospital admissions due to missed treatments. Rescheduling patients – Master list on Teams did not work well. Units are used to working independently. Will refer to patient safety
	SeaTac Power Outage Jan. 2022	Municipal power failure. Generator failed to come on. Patients from morning and mid shift were diverted.	OPEN – content experts	
	Lake City Water Event Jan. 2022	Aquaboss RO high conductivity alarms. Unable to dialyze patients. Diverted for 2 days.	OPEN – content experts	
	Seattle Water Event Jan. 2022	Differential bulb on the 3 rd floor water loop plumbing stripped. Unable to treat patients. Diverted to 2 nd floor.	OPEN-content experts	
Agenda Items Emergency Preparedness Plan	Annual Hazard Vulnerability Assessment (HVA)	In Process	OPEN	 Being reviewed by experts for each field. Executive review – next mtg??
	Facilities Safety occurrences	Staff and property safety – Safety committee recommendations: If you	OPEN	Theft of catalytic converters and car break ins. Logistics & attempt at Kent. Tip Sheet

		see something happening, call the police, don't take action on your own.		shared by Rosen Properties. Scribner - attempted break in while CW floor care staff trapped inside the building. No police response Rainier Beach – no police response Terminated employees
D	2022 Annual Disaster In- Service	Snow event preparedness email	CLOSED	 Email sent to staff in early November 2021.
	Suggested In- services		OPEN	 First week of April? Active Shooter Extreme Heat preparation -Late May 2022 Earthquake (NWHRN – Shakeout)
	Burien gravel pathway	Manager would like it paved since it is the exit for patients in an emergency evacuation.	OPEN – Plant Ops	Committee suggested making the path wider and remove the bushes. Consultation may be needed to avoid damage to existing items. Question whether there may be an alternative way to evacuate patients. Randy states primary evacuation is through the front entrance doors (breakaway). Steve and Randy to evaluate evacuation route in case needed for secondary choice. Pavers to be installed to widen the pathway. Approval to widen the back door for wheelchair access. 2/15/22 – Materials have arrived, and some fabrication work is being done. Will be ready for install soon.

Safety Committee Membership	Need Front Line DT 2, Hospital Services, HR, SW	OPEN	Any recommendations? Reach out to managers. Chris Matala joined us from Logistics.
2021 Committee meetings schedule	Quarterly on the following 3 rd Thursday of the month, 2:00-3:00 pm. May 19, 2022 August 18, 2022 November 17, 2022		If you know you will have conflicts with this schedule, please let me know. It is important that we have balanced representation on the committee. Your skills and participation are important.