

Does Your Facility Have a Pediatric Sedation Team? If Not, Why Not?

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Abstract Excerpted:

Children's hospitals across the country should consider the formation of pediatric sedation teams (PST's) for both in-tune to available options, teams that focus of the alleviation of pain and providing a more pleasant procedural cedures to

decreasing complications related to less experienced providers of pediatric sedation, and also decreasing organizational excellence in the care of children's health.

Commentary:

OK, argument) that has not been covered this plainly in any format previous to this article that we have come across. reviews of pediatric sedation, but we are unaware of an editorial or review that so unashamedly and accurately a reasonable answer to many of the problems that face children's hospitals. In terms of patient care (our primary amount o

money and increases satisfaction for patients and providers who are frustrated by access difficulties and complex "rules" (show up 2 hours early, change into a "Johnny") that accompany and trip to the OR. Personally we much appreciate the fact that the author also highlights the idea that the PST can be a real "attraction" for a Children's Hospital. As parents and patients become more sophisticated in this area, the provision of expert sedation will be seen as a basic service (like anesthesia for the OR) – not having this available will drive consumers elsewhere. This is the type of service that differentiates the care at a children's quaternary services such as a PICU service. If that argument does not resonate with hospital administrators, nothing will. This article should be exhibit one when making the case for institutional support to begin or expand a PST.

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