### TRINITAS REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY

HOSPITAL WIDE COLLABORATIVE -SEPSIS TEAM INCLUDES: CNS, ED DIRECTOR, ED PHYSICIAN, IT DEPT, PHARMACIST, INFECTIOUS DISEASE, PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT DIRECTOR, NURSING ADMINISTRATION, LABORATORY DIRECTOR, EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, RESPIRATORY THERAPY, AND REGISTERED NURSES



**TEAM AIM:** TO STANDARDIZE THE CARE OF PATIENTS SUSPECTED TO HAVE SEPSIS.

WOULD LIKE TO ACCOMPLISH BY:

**SPECIFIC MEASURABLE GOALS:** 

- ✓ SCREEN ALL PATIENTS ≥ 18 YR IN ER / ICU FOR SEPSIS
- ✓ INCREASE COMPLIANCE OF THE 3 HOUR BUNDLE.

# **CHANGES WE TESTED**

#### **RESPOND, TREAT, FOLLOW UP**

- RETROSPECTIVE CHART REVIEW ALL ICU ADMISSIONS FROM ER AND TRANSFERRED FROM OTHER UNITS
- BASELINE DATA MARCH, APRIL, & MAY 2015
- DEVELOPED SEPSIS ORDER SET

### **EDUCATE OVER AND OVER**

- MANDATORY SEPSIS EDUCATION FOR ALL ER AND ICU REGISTERED NURSES
- FOCUS SEPSIS SCREENING TOOL AND SEPSIS OVERVIEW

## **CHANGES WE TESTED TO REACH OUR AIM**

#### **GET READY**

- GO LIVE DATE 6/1/2015 EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT LEADERSHIP PRESENT
- SEPSIS SCREENING TOOL ADDED TO EMERGI-SOFT SYSTEM IN ER
- IMPLEMENTED NEW SEPSIS AND SEVERE SEPSIS PROTOCOLS

### **SEEK, CONFIRM, START**

- ALL PATIENTS TRIAGED IN ER SCREENED FOR SEPSIS
- ALL ICU PATIENTS ADMITTED AND TRANSFERRED INTO UNIT SCREENED FOR SEPSIS

## WE WERE SURPRISED TO LEARN

- WITH EDUCATION THERE WAS AN INCREASE IN SCREENING AND 3 HOUR BUNDLES COMPLIANCE INCREASED BY 12 %
- BUNDLES ARE BEING ORDERED HOWEVER, NOT ALL COMPONENTS ARE COMPLETED WITHIN THE 3 HOUR WINDOW.
- EVIDENCE MORE EDUCATION IS NEEDED NOT JUST FOR NURSING BUT FOR RESIDENTS AND PHYSICIANS.

### WE ARE WONDERING IF NEXT WE SHOULD

•START HOSPITAL WIDE SCREENING IN ALL AREAS OF INPATIENT CARE.

•SHARE DATA WITH STAFF

 CREATE A CHECKLIST FOR NURSES TO COMPLETE PRIOR TO PATIENT TRANSFER TO ICU