

Thursday, November 10, 2016

## *Great Lakes Biennial Nursing Conference*

This past Friday, members of the SOP team attended the Great Lakes Biennial Nursing Conference where they participated in both oral and poster presentations on current research findings and developments integral to improving nursing practice and patient care. The Standard Unit team had the opportunity to present three poster presentations on all of the great work rolled out across the organization. The poster presentations were on “Standardized Unit: Enhancing Patient Care”, “Shift to Shift Report: Standardized Reporting for Improved Patient Safety” and “Care Rounds: Taking Action to Improve Discharge and Length of Stay”. During the presentations, the Standard Unit team was able to share all of the improvements and new processes that have been implemented across the organization and the positive impact it has on our patients. For example, as a result of standardized shift to shift report, nurses are able to better communicate information to keep our patients safe and ensure they are assigned to the appropriate care provider. We are so proud of all of the hard work and dedication that went into implementing these changes!



*Above are Jeff Geml, Rana Allawnha and Natasha Sheeler (left to right) after their poster presentation on “Standardized Unit: Enhancing Patient Care”*



*Pictured above, the students are outlining the process steps for making a peanut butter and jelly sandwich.*

## *Take Your Kid to Work Day*

Last week the SOP team took part in the grade 9 “Take Your Kid to Work Day” event at Windsor Regional Hospital. Through two activities, the students experienced first hand some of the tools that the SOP team use on a daily basis. The students first learned the importance of communication through an activity using Lego’s where they had to instruct each other how to build a Lego design, without first seeing the design or being able to ask any questions. Next, the students took part in creating their own process map for building a peanut butter and jelly sandwich. Through these activities, the students learned the importance of communication in process improvement!

Have a great weekend!

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