Evaluation and Outcomes

Prior to the initiation of the project, time to defibrillation was not meeting goal. After implementation, time to defibrillation of 2 minutes or less (mean) was achieved and sustained for the following 2 quarters.

Nine months after the initiation of weekly defibrillator rounding, a survey was done:
- 71% reported participating in defibrillator rounds
- 100% reported feeling confident in applying the pads and turning on the defibrillator
- 97% felt confident in following verbal cues
- 92% felt confident in pressing “analyze”
- 84% of participants reported feeling confident in responding to an actual code

Implications

Maintaining positive patient outcomes requires frequent reassessment of staff’s education and competency needs.