

Comanche County Memorial Hospital Pressure Injury Prevention Program



Comanche County Memorial Hospital is a 265-bed, Level II Trauma facility in Lawton, OK.

Problem Statement

1. Increase in incidence of hospital-acquired pressure ulcers (HAPI) identified.
2. HAPI are painful for patients and costly to treat.
3. Root cause analysis of all HAPI identified 12 of 18 patients as high-risk, using the Braden Scale assessment tool.
4. High staff turnover resulting in education challenges.

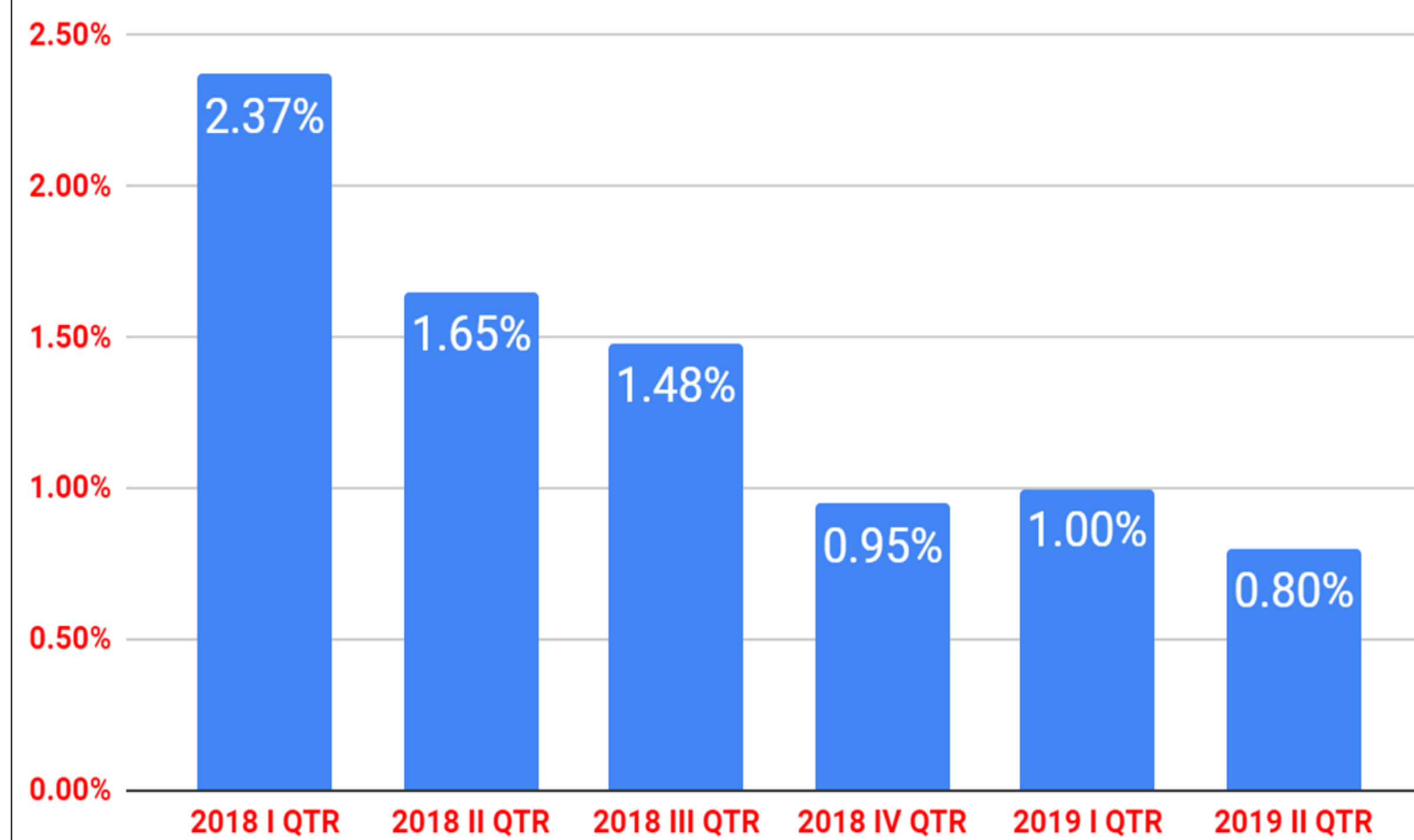
Goal

Decrease hospital-acquired pressure (HAPI) injuries by 50% within a year, on all hospital units from January 2018 to Present.

Outcomes

Incidence of hospital-acquired pressure injuries was decreased hospital-wide by 66%, from 2.37% in the 1st quarter of 2018 to 0.8% in the 2nd quarter of 2019.

CCMH Hospital-Acquired Pressure Injuries 2018-2019



Interventions

1. Nurse-driven policy incorporating the Braden Scale assessment for each shift was created, approved and implemented.
2. Formal nursing preceptorship was conducted.
3. Surface audit of all hospital bed mattresses was conducted and new mattresses were researched and ordered.
4. Teaching literature and posters were displayed on each unit.
5. Team coordinated with the Materials Department to order, maintain stock and provide prevention products on each unit.
6. Ongoing education plan was created and conducted for direct care staff.

Team Members



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