FY 2021 Evidence Based Practice and Research Council Charter

Purpose
The Evidence Based Practice and Research Council (EBPR) serves to increase the foundation of evidence-based nursing practice (EBP) and as the organizing body for all nursing research conducted at Texas Children's Hospital. Members of the EBPR Council are available to mentor nurses to integrate evidence-based practice and research into clinical and operational processes.

Responsibilities
1. Guide and support the process to promote the use of evidence to support clinical practice, patient family education and nursing research.
2. Continue to build organizational capacity for EBP by accelerating routine use of EBP with the goal of improving care delivery and patient outcomes.
3. Review and provide consultation to all nursing research studies prior to submission to Baylor College of Medicine IRB.
4. Provide assistance in identifying and disseminating clinical research findings that are sufficient and appropriate to apply to nursing practice.
5. Provide support for ongoing education related to EBP needed for translation of research findings to practice.
6. Maintain Nursing Grand Rounds schedule, four internal Grand Rounds and two visiting scholar Grand Rounds per fiscal year.
7. Maintain list of approved nursing research studies conducted at TCH for Magnet® documentation & tracking.

Membership
Members will serve three years to allow for the development of a scientific nursing group. Appointments will be staggered to ensure optimal EBPR Council operations while mentoring new members. Non-nursing members may advise, but are not considered voting members.

The EBPR Council will include but is not limited to:
- All Clinical Specialists/Clinical Nurse Specialists
- Select Clinical Nurses representing all hospital campuses and TCH care settings (Excludes TCHP and TCP)
- TCH Nurse Scientist
- Select Nurse Scholars
• Select Advanced Practice Registered Nurses
• Representative from Family Advisory Committee
• Representative from Research Administration
• Representative from Nursing Professional Development
• Nursing Quality and Safety Specialist
• Statistician Consultant (ad hoc)
• Representative from EBOC
• Nursing Leaders & Executive Liaison
• Nursing Administrative Specialist

Key Standards to Be Facilitated

• National Institutes of Health (NIH) Standards of Conducting Ethical Human Research
• ANCC Magnet® Recognition Program

Meetings

Meetings will be held monthly and as needed to review nursing research proposals and progress toward the goal to continue to build organizational capacity for EBP.

References:
