Rapid Evaluation Team (RET) Implementation Collaborative

Overview
Data analyzed from substantiated OHFC and Immediate Jeopardy reports point to opportunities to improve our response process and provide timely support to all team members during urgent and emergent situations.

Rapid Evaluation Teams can provide that support by creating a systematic process for any staff to call for help and for available staff to respond quickly to provide support and complete structured tasks to rapidly evaluate the situation and intervene.

Watch this 10-minute video to learn more about RETs

Examples of the types of cited events in which a Rapid Evaluation Team could be called to prevent resident harm and/or survey tags/citations:
- Finding resident unresponsive
- Resident choking
- Escalating situation that led to abuse
- Significant change in resident condition
- Supporting new or temporary staff when encountering an urgent or emergent situation or when uncertain before performing a high-risk task such as medication administration or use of a mechanical lift.

Collaborative Goal
- The Rapid Evaluation Team Advisory Group has already done the work to create RET recommendations and supporting tools that can be adapted for your organization. The goal of the RET Implementation Collaborative is to provide the support needed to implement RETs in your organization through a stepwise guided process and with tips and support from colleagues.
How does it work?

- Participate in 6 monthly 30-minute Virtual Learning & Peer Discussion Sessions
- Complete Homework to implement or strengthen an RET step(s) for that month

Staff/Facilitators:

- Amanda Thorson, MSN, BSN, RN-BC, CMSRN-DON, Carris Health Care Center & Therapy Suites, Willmar
- Julie Apold, Vice President of Quality & Performance Excellence, LeadingAge Minnesota

Timeline:

- Call to Participate: December 15, 2021 – January 14, 2022
- Submit participation form by January 14th
- Collaborative Virtual Kick-off: January 25, 2022; 11:30 a.m. - Noon
- 5 Additional Monthly Collaborative Virtual Sessions (11:30 a.m. – Noon):
  - Feb. 22
  - March 29
  - April 26
  - May 31
  - June 28
- Collaborative Wrap-Up: June 28, 2022

How Much Does It Cost?

- There is no cost for LeadingAge Minnesota members to participate

How Do I Get Started?

- Participation Form - Complete the [RET Implementation Collaborative Participation Form](#) and designate a champion(s) to serve as the lead for the collaborative.

  **Return Form by January 14, 2022**

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