

Critical Incidents Reported to Manitoba Health

Period: October 1, 2013 - December 31, 2013

Degree of Injury	Description
Major	Patient had unwitnessed fall. Found sitting on floor beside walker. Call bell within reach. Fractured hip. Surgical repair completed.
Major	PCH resident fell while transferring to recliner chair. Fractured hip. Surgical repair completed.
Major	PCH resident developed unstageable pressure ulcer.
Major	PCH resident had unwitnessed fall. Initial X-ray showed no fracture. Pain in hip continued. Second X-ray shows fractured femur.
Major	PCH resident reported being pushed by co-resident. Fell to floor. Fractured hip. Surgical repair completed.
Major	Patient whose first language was not English was admitted for an elective c-section. Tubal ligation was completed during C-section surgery. This procedure was not wanted by the patient.
Major	PCH resident sitting in wheelchair stood up to reach object and fell to floor. Fractured hip. Surgical repair completed.
Major	Patient presented to Emergency Department. Delay in physician assessment. Subsequent transfer to another site. Found to have systemic infection. Cholecystostomy required.
Major	Home care patient receiving palliative care services developed unstageable pressure ulcer to coccyx.
Major	On call surgeons changed as per scheduled rotation. Before leaving shift, failed to communicate need for urgent appendectomy. Less urgent surgery was performed first. Appendix perforated.
Major	Patient underwent closed reduction of fractured wrist without analgesia. Cast was applied too tightly. Cast removed. Cast re-applied under sedation.
Major	Wound to PCH resident's hand deteriorated to Stage 4 pressure ulcer.
Major	PCH resident had unwitnessed fall while ambulating without use of their walker. Fractured hip. Surgical repair completed.
Death	PCH resident found bleeding from dialysis fistula. To Emergency Department for suturing. Returned to PCH. Six hours later, arterial bleeding recurred. Died.
Death	Patient developed signs of shock and sepsis two days after surgery. Code Blue. In OR, necrotizing Fasciitis of the abdomen found. To ICU. Died.
Major	Patient transferred between hospital sites for care on three occasions. Over time, unstageable pressure ulcer to coccyx developed.
Death	PCH resident had unwitnessed fall resulting in fractured hip. Surgical repair slated. The following day, resident Died. Unclear if surgery proceeded.
Major	PCH resident had unwitnessed fall. Found lying on the floor. Fractured hip. Surgical repair completed.
Major	PCH resident had unwitnessed fall. Found sitting on floor in washroom. Fractured hip. Surgical repair completed.
Major	PCH resident, with limited mobility resulting from a fall five weeks ago, developed unstageable pressure ulcer to their coccyx.
Major	PCH resident's Stage 2 pressure ulcer to ankle deteriorated to Stage 3 despite treatment.
Major	Patient underwent fasciotomy and skin graft to arm. Damage resulted from blood pressure cuff being inflated for too long a period of time during surgery.
Major	Patient developed Stage 3 pressure ulcers to both heels following surgical repair of hip fracture. .
Major	PCH resident had unwitnessed fall. Fractured femur. Fall mat and low bed not in use at time of the fall.
Major	Patient had witnessed fall. Unusual to be up independently but recently had been hallucinating. Fractured hip. Surgical repair completed.
Major	PCH resident had unwitnessed fall. Although using walker, the wheels of the walker did not move in the intended direction. Fractured hip. Surgical repair completed.
Major	PCH resident had unwitnessed fall during the night. Found on floor near the foot of bed. Fractured hip seen on X-ray read 2 days later. Surgical repair completed.
Major	Mental health patient went to see probation officer. During visit, patient appeared angry. RCMP called by probation officer. Patient jumped into the river. RCMP pulled patient out. In seclusion room following.

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Death	Patient with cardiac issues was being transferred to St. Boniface Hospital for investigation and treatment. Cardiac arrest enroute. Died.
Major	PCH resident admitted to the unit with wounds. Wound care specialist has been consulted.
Major	Patient stood up while holding onto walker. Walker slid forward and patient lost their balance. Struck head on floor. Fractured pelvis.
Major	PCH resident had unwitnessed fall. Found on the floor in room. Fractured ribs and pneumothorax.
Major	PCH resident had unwitnessed fall while returning from bathroom. Found on floor near bed. Fractured hip. Surgical repair completed.
Major	Resident requiring standby assistance was walking with staff member, lost their balance and fell to the floor sustaining fractured hip.
Major	Patient with diabetes and a stroke. Weight beared on heel for transfers. Developed pressure ulcer to heel During three month hospitalization.
Major	PCH resident had unwitnessed fall from wheelchair. Fractured hip. Surgical repair completed.
Major	Patient suffered hypoglycemic episode when received insulin via incorrect route. To ICU with neurological injury requiring mechanical ventilation.
Major	Patient had witnessed fall while staff were assisting them to walk to the bathroom. Fractured hip. Surgical repair completed.
Death	Patient transferred to Emergency Department from another facility. Was to remain under observation until Condition was stable. Inadvertently discharged home. The next day, returned to ED in cardiac arrest. Died.
Major	Frail elderly patient with limited mobility. Developed unstageable pressure ulcer over three week period. Refused turning schedule to prevent pressure ulceration.
Major	Patient had unwitnessed fall during the night. No recollection of event. Urgent CT scan.
Major	PCH resident had unwitnessed fall striking their head and fracturing their hip. Surgical repair completed.
Major	Patient had unwitnessed fall in Emergency Department. Found on floor beside the bed. Fractured hip. Surgical repair completed.
Major	PCH resident had unwitnessed fall. Walker was found near resident. Fractured hip. Surgical repair completed.
Major	Patient developed unstageable pressure ulcer to heel during hospitalization.
Major	Patient had unwitnessed fall while using their walker to ambulate. Using portable oxygen. Fractured femur. Surgical repair completed.
Major	PCH resident developed unstageable pressure ulcer to buttocks.
Major	PCH resident had witnessed fall. Got up and lost their balance. Fractured hip. Surgical repair completed.
Major	PCH resident had unwitnessed fall in bathroom. Did not call for required assistance. Fractured hip. Surgical repair completed.
Major	PCH resident admitted with Stage 2 pressure ulcer to coccyx. Deteriorated to Stage 3 over three months.
Major	Critically ill patient developed unstageable pressure ulcer.
Major	PCH resident developed unstageable pressure ulcer to coccyx. General deterioration & weight loss noted over past few months.
Major	PCH resident developed two Stage 3 pressure ulcers. Pressure offloading boots were in use at time of development.
Major	Serious error in compounding medication at community pharmacy following discharge. Child re-admitted to ICU.
Major	PCH resident, independent with ambulation, had unwitnessed fall. Fractured hip. Surgical repair completed.
Major	PCH resident had unwitnessed fall. Transfer bar that he had used for assistance was torn off the wall. Fractured hip. Not a candidate for surgical repair.
Major	PCH resident's pressure ulcer deteriorated to Stage 3 over eleven week period. Immobile and non-compliant with care plan.
Major	PCH resident had unwitnessed fall from bed during the night. Head injury. Fractured wrist.
Major	PCH resident was walking independently. Lost their balance and fell. Staff witnessed fall. Head injury.
Major	Patient had unwitnessed fall. Found lying on floor in room. Fractured hip. Surgical repair completed.
Major	PCH resident had unwitnessed fall. Fractured hip. Surgical repair completed.
Major	Blood sample was sent to external lab for genetic testing. Results were to be received in 2 days. Results received thirteen days later when clinician inquiry prompted follow-up.

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Major	Patient sustained second degree burn to toe. Found with foot wrapped in a blanket placed under the heating register on the wall.
Major	Patient developed unstageable pressure ulcer to coccyx following one week hospitalization.
Major	At time of admission, patient found to have bilateral pressure ulcers to heels. No impaired skin integrity noted prior to transfer.
Major	Patient referred to Cancer Care Manitoba from Emergency Department in August 2012. No record of referral; patient not aware of same. Once discovered, cancer had progressed.
Major	Stretcher was tipped over when being moved to ambulance. Slippery pavement. On initial assessment, no injuries noted. In Emergency Department, found to have displaced clavicle.
Major	PCH resident had unwitnessed fall during the night. Fractured pelvis & elbow. Surgical repair of fractured elbow.
Major	Patient developed unstageable pressure ulcer to heel during hospitalization.
Death	Critically ill patient was being transferred by STARS in snowstorm like conditions. En route, portable oxygen source depleted. Hypoxia led to hypotension and cardiac arrest. Later died in hospital.
Major	Patient had witnessed fall while attempting to get up. Fractured femur. Surgical repair required.
Major	PCH resident had unwitnessed fall. Found on the floor in hallway, Fractured hip. Surgical repair completed.
Death	PCH resident was attending unit Xmas party. Due to swallowing difficulties, was on minced diet. Known to take food off other's plates. Choked. Heimlich maneuver dislodged food bolus. Apneic. Deceased.
Major	PCH resident stood up using walker. Lost their balance and fell to floor. Fractured hip. Surgical repair completed.
Major	PCH resident had unwitnessed fall. Does not use walker to mobilize. Fractured hip. Surgical repair completed.
Major	PCH resident developed Stage 3 and 4 pressure ulcers to their heels.
Major	PCH resident developed unstageable pressure ulcer to coccyx.
Major	PCH resident had unwitnessed fall. Found lying on floor in washroom. To Emergency Department. Fractured hip. Surgical repair completed.
Major	PCH resident had unwitnessed fall. Found on floor in room. Fractured hip. Surgical repair completed.
Major	PCH resident was having difficulty walking, but unaware of any reported fall. Fractured hip. Surgical repair completed. Returned to PCH where they died five days later.
Major	PCH resident had unwitnessed fall. Found on the floor in washroom. Fractured hip. Surgical repair completed.
Major	PCH resident had unwitnessed fall. Found on floor in room. Fractured femur. Surgical repair completed.
Major	Patient with enlarged prostate and urinary retention. During difficult urinary catheterization, bladder was ruptured. Suprapubic catheter insertion required.
Major	PCH resident had witnessed fall. Was being dressed in their clothing following tub bath. Lost balance and fell to the floor. Fractured hip. Surgical repair completed.
Major	Patient presented to the Emergency Department with epigastric pain. Almost six hour delay to first ECG and treatment. Standard of care not met. Delay in treatment.
Major	PCH resident developed Stage 3 pressure ulcer to coccyx despite interventions related to turning & positioning. Non-compliant with repositioning schedule.
Major	Patient had abdominal surgery in September 2013. Hardened area near incision remained two 2 months later. CT scan shows surgical gauze left in abdomen. Second surgery required for removal.