

EQIPP: Talking About Serious Illness

Data Collection Tool

Instructions: Pull 1 chart of patients identified in your care that may benefit from a serious illness conversation and prepare to answer the following questions.

[Definition: Serious illness is a health condition that carries a high risk of mortality AND either negatively impact's a person daily function or quality of life, OR excessively strains their caregivers.]

[Please Note: The purpose of this QI activity is to help build physician skills and awareness in preparing, conducting, and documenting serious illness conversations. Unlike traditional EQIPP courses with a retrospective review of charts, this activity employs a prospective view. The goal for this module is to conduct 3 intentional goals of care conversations with patients and families identified as having Serious Illnesses]

Prepare for the Serious Illness Discussion

1. I thoroughly completed a pre-meeting checklist/worksheet prior to the meeting.
☐ Strong Disagree ☐ Disagree ☐ Neutral ☐ Agree ☐ Strongly Agree
2. The family (and patient) had adequate time and support to prepare for the meeting.
☐ Strong Disagree ☐ Disagree ☐ Neutral ☐ Agree ☐ Strongly Agree
3. I felt completely prepared for the meeting.
☐ Strong Disagree ☐ Disagree ☐ Neutral ☐ Agree ☐ Strongly Agree

Conduct Serious Illness Discussion

4. I set the initial agenda in a clear and collaborative manner.
☐ Strong Disagree ☐ Disagree ☐ Neutral ☐ Agree ☐ Strongly Agree
5. I assessed the family's understanding of the child's situation and confirmed my assessment with the family.
☐ Strong Disagree ☐ Disagree ☐ Neutral ☐ Agree ☐ Strongly Agree
6. I shared my perspective on the child's situation.
☐ Strong Disagree ☐ Disagree ☐ Neutral ☐ Agree ☐ Strongly Agree
7. I elicited from the family their hopes and worries for the child.
☐ Strong Disagree ☐ Disagree ☐ Neutral ☐ Agree ☐ Strongly Agree
8. I discussed with the family what it means for them to be a "good parent".
☐ Strong Disagree ☐ Disagree ☐ Neutral ☐ Agree ☐ Strongly Agree
9. I discussed goals for the care of the child with the family and confirmed our shared understanding of the goals.
☐ Strong Disagree ☐ Disagree ☐ Neutral ☐ Agree ☐ Strongly Agree

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10. I summarized the entire discussion and recommended next steps to the family.

☐ Strong Disagree ☐ Disagree ☐ Neutral ☐ Agree ☐ Strongly Agree

11. I thoroughly completed the discussion roadmap worksheet.

☐ Strong Disagree ☐ Disagree ☐ Neutral ☐ Agree ☐ Strongly Agree

Document and Disseminate the Results of the Serious Illness Discussion

12. I shared with the family a written summary of the discussion, including next steps.

☐ Strong Disagree ☐ Disagree ☐ Neutral ☐ Agree ☐ Strongly Agree

13. I shared with other providers a written summary of the discussion, including next steps.

☐ Strong Disagree ☐ Disagree ☐ Neutral ☐ Agree ☐ Strongly Agree