2017 Hospital Report Card Quality of Care Information VERMONT PSYCHIATRIC CARE HOSPITAL

Patient Safety

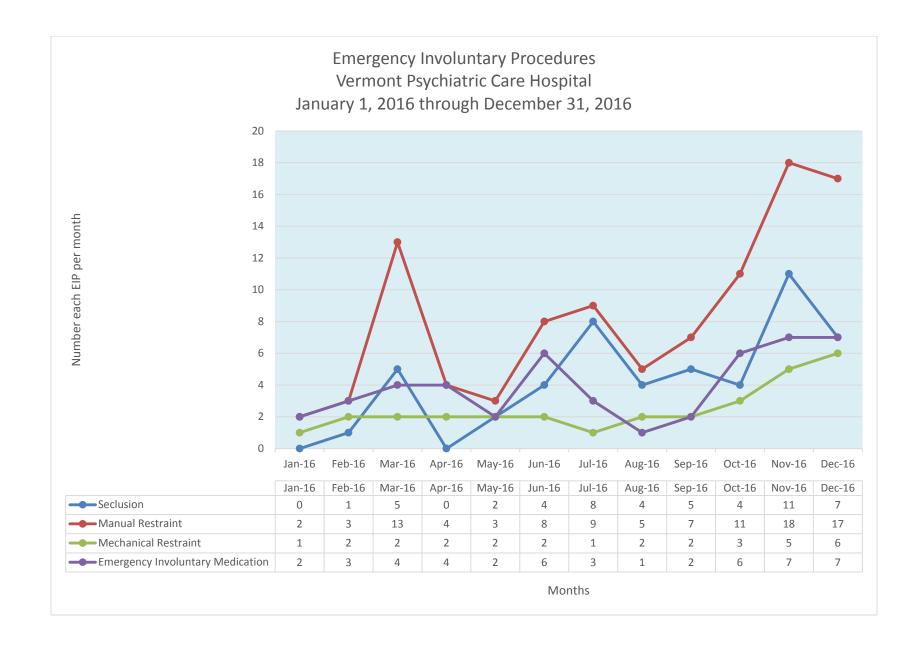
Patient Falls:

At VPCH, every patient's fall risk is assessed by a registered nurse at the time of admission, on a daily basis, and whenever clinically indicated in the judgment of the registered nurse. A specialized fall risk assessment called the Edmonson Psychiatric Fall Risk Assessment is completed at admission, on a daily basis and whenever clinically appropriate to assess each patient's individual need. Interventions are included in the patient's treatment plan if they are assessed to be a high fall risk at any point during their inpatient stay.

During 2017, a total of seventeen patient falls, by fourteen unique patients were reported. Three patients experienced two falls. Each patient's second fall occurred more than one month after the first fall, and occurred in different circumstances.

The severity level of all patient falls was minor, which means that the patient required no medical treatment beyond First Aid. None of the patient falls resulted in injury that required further medical treatment.

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Multiple Antipsychotic Medications:

Fifty-six patients were admitted to VPCH during 2016. Fifty-nine were discharged. Several patients were admitted to VPCH while being prescribed more than one antipsychotic medication as outpatients.

Twenty five patients were discharged on two antipsychotic medications in 2016.

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