

CUSP Tool: Board Checklist

COMPREHENSIVE UNIT-BASED SAFETY PROGRAM "CUSP"	LEADER RESPONSIBLE	DATE INITIATED
Set organization aim to assess annually safety and teamwork climate annually and improve it using valid measures. (Culture of Safety)		
Set expectation for UNIT-level culture assessment, and at least 60% participation rate by doctors and nurses. (Hospital-level culture scores do not allow targeted improvement.) Culture is local.		
Review Culture Assessment data regularly (The Joint Commission requirement), and explore relationship between culture and clinical outcomes.		
Hold Executive team accountable for explicit action plan to improve safety and teamwork climate. Review progress monthly.		
Establish policy that requires science of safety training for all current and new employees and board members.		
Set expectation that a senior leader is an active member of each CUSP team and meets with the team on the unit at least monthly.		
Hear at least one patient-level Story of Harm from infection at each Board meeting.		
Work with CEO and CMO to establish interdisciplinary patient rounds as an organization standard of practice.		
Review a summary report of staff patient safety assessments* no less than annually. (* "How is the next patient likely to be harmed on my unit? What might we do to prevent that harm?")		