



IHI TARGETED AREAS OF IMPROVEMENT

New interventions targeted at harm

- **Prevent Harm from High-Alert Medications...** starting with a focus on anticoagulants, sedatives, narcotics, and insulin
- **Reduce Surgical Complications...** by reliably implementing all of the changes in care recommended by SCIP, the Surgical Care Improvement Project (www.medqic.org/scip)
- **Prevent Pressure Ulcers...** by reliably using science-based guidelines for their prevention
- **Reduce Methicillin-Resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) infection...** by reliably implementing scientifically proven infection control practices
- **Deliver Reliable, Evidence-Based Care for Congestive Heart Failure...** to avoid readmissions
- **Get Boards on Board ...** by defining and spreading the best-known leveraged processes for hospital Boards of Directors, so that they can become far more effective in accelerating organizational progress toward safe care

The six interventions from the 100,000 Lives Campaign

- **Deploy Rapid Response Teams...** at the first sign of patient decline
- **Deliver Reliable, Evidence-Based Care for Acute Myocardial Infarction...** to prevent deaths from heart attack
- **Prevent Adverse Drug Events (ADEs)...** by implementing **medication reconciliation**
- **Prevent Central Line Infections...** by implementing a series of interdependent, scientifically grounded steps
- **Prevent Surgical Site Infections...** by reliably delivering the correct perioperative antibiotics at the proper time
- **Prevent Ventilator-Associated Pneumonia...** by implementing a series of interdependent, scientifically grounded steps