Best Messages: Physician-Led Teams

Supporters, Leaners, and Skeptics

Supporters - Want Physician Led Care

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2. A physician's years of medical education and training are vital to the health care team and optimal patient care, especially in the event of a complication or medical emergency.

3. Physicians have a greater level of exposure to complex medical situations than nurses.

4. Doctors and nurses need to work in a coordinated manner to ensure patients get the care they need.

5. Physicians have more experience than nurses, which helps to provide the proper diagnosis, saving patients time and money.

6. Physicians, not nurses should be the ones to diagnose medical conditions.

7. Physician led teams are critical to providing quality care to patients suffering from chronic pain.

8. Because a nurse has less training, a nurse won't always know when a patient's life is on the line. But a physician has the training to look for and diagnosis both common and complex conditions.

9. Nurses should not be able to perform complex procedures, like injections for interventional chronic pain management and the administration of anesthesia, without physician involvement.

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Leaners - Want Physician Led Care Most Of The Time

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**Skeptics - Want Physician Led Care Only Sometimes**

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Age and Gender

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