Procedural sedation: QI in the ED

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Procedural sedation in the Emergency Department
Small risk but potentially large impact to patient
Checklists exist in OR and ICU for patient safety
Bringing the safety checklist to ED for procedural sedations
Created a novel ED checklist with four domains

- Patient Preparation
- Equipment
- MD Timeout
- Feedback
Project refined after discussion with RT, nursing, and physician groups
Missing equipment identified but gradual checklist fatigue

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What we learned from the QI project