

Optimizing situation awareness to reduce emergency transfers in hospitalized children.

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[Situational awareness](#) during critical incidents is a key attribute of effective [teams](#). This article describes the development of a situational awareness model, which included involving families and the interdisciplinary team in huddles, a shared mental model checklist, and an electronic health record (EHR) situational awareness navigator. Use of this new model decreased emergency transfers to the ICU and improved process measures, such as improved risk recognition before medical response team activation.