

# SAFETY FIRST: Improved Patient Care Across 10 Safety Areas

As one of the nation's first hospitals to join the Partnership for Patients, Dignity Health is leading a culture change in health care that is resulting in safer, more reliable, and affordable care.



65%↓

**HYPOGLYCEMIC RATE** reduced by standardizing insulin protocols and enhancing coordination



45%↓

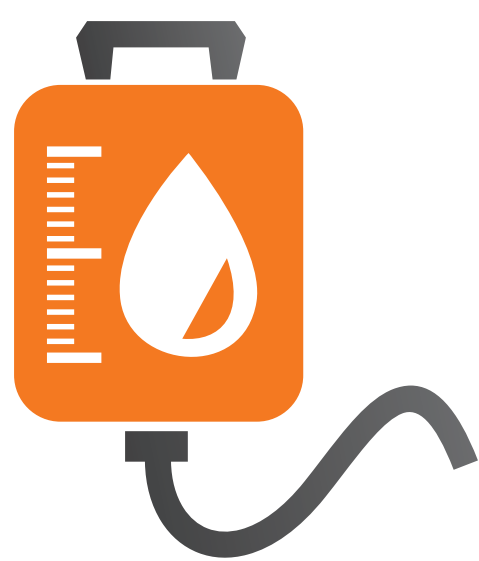
**CATHETER ASSOCIATED URINARY TRACT INFECTIONS**

reduced through a strict justification policy and significant education efforts

**CENTRAL LINE ASSOCIATED BLOOD STREAM INFECTIONS**

reduced by using alcohol disinfection caps and new insertion procedures

34%↓



35%↓

**FALLS** reduced by providing improved bedside protection



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The reduction in hospital-acquired infections and readmissions potentially saved **\$30 million**, positively affecting more than **10,000 patients**.

50%↓

**HOSPITAL ACQUIRED PRESSURE ULCERS** reduced through enhanced wound assessments and improved equipment



**VENOUS THROMBOEMBOLISM & PULMONARY EMBOLISM**

reduced by standardized risk assessments and staff education

96%↓

**EARLY ELECTIVE DELIVERIES**

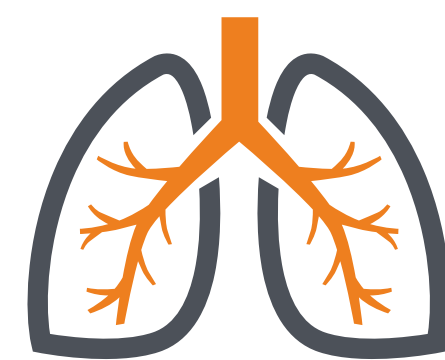
reduced through patient, staff, and physician education



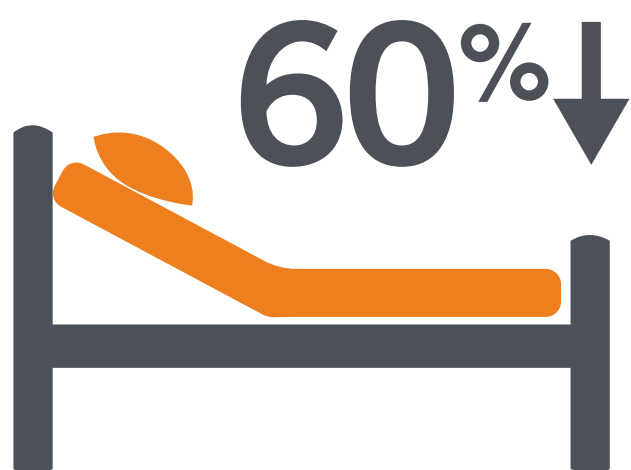
**SURGICAL SITE INFECTIONS**

reduced through skin prep, antibiotic dosing, environmental controls, wound dressing, and education

35%↓



6%↓



60%↓

**VENTILATOR ASSOCIATED PNEUMONIA**

reduced through bed elevation and improvement teams

9%↓



**READMISSIONS WITHIN 30 DAYS**

reduced positively affecting more than 2,000 patients.