

Notice Concerning article in QPSD Newsletter - "Delirium Protocol at Steward Hospitals"

To the Quality and Patient Safety Division (QPSD) newsletter audience:

The QPSD recently forwarded you the link to its June 2014 newsletter, "FIRST Do No Harm." The lead article, entitled "Delirium Protocol at Steward Hospitals," was authored by Dr. Harvey Kowaloff, MD, MMM, Vice President of Medical Affairs at Steward Saint Anne's Hospital.

Below please find a message from Dr. Harvey Kowaloff concerning this article:

Regarding the recently published article concerning screening for delirium Steward Healthcare wishes to note the following: 'The protocol submitted for publication contained a previous version of the CAM (Confusion Assessment Method). Presently both the CAM assessment tool and the accompanying management protocol/ order set are being reviewed to incorporate the latest version of CAM. Once updated the protocol and associated tools will be published and circulated. We apologize for any confusion. Thank you.'

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To view the June 2014 Newsletter and copy of this notice, please click here: <http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/docs/borim/newsletters/gps-june-2014.pdf> [add link to notice] or cut and paste the links into your web browser.

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Please contact me if you have questions.

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