Bed Allocation Methodology

Executive Directors and Vice-Presidents of Clinical Programs are often faced with three problems when it comes to managing their existing bed capacity.

1) **Patients are receiving poor care as they are not in the right bed.**

2) **Clinical Programs cannot effectively manage their own beds as their beds are not accessed by the right patients.**

3) **Clinical Programs are in disagreement as there are no clear guidelines defining which Clinical Program owns the patient.**

This is mainly due to fact that there is a misalignment between the existing bed capacity and their patients' needs and there is a lack of clear guidelines and set of policies. **Bed Allocation Methodology presents a unique opportunity to address these problems while achieving buy-in and agreement by all stakeholders, and inspiring a more collaborative and honest relationship between Clinical Programs**

What is Bed Allocation Methodology?

BAM ("Bed Allocation Methodology") is a field proven process that assesses the overall capacity of your facility, and takes into account of utilization patterns and improvement opportunities to allocate the right number of beds to each Clinical Program. Our highly effective consultation process helps Clinical Programs gain clarity on who owns which patient on a given day, give them a protected bed base, and a clear set of guidelines. The overall result is increased control of your beds, a higher level of accountability, and ultimately fewer off-service patients.

The Old Way	The BAM Way
• Clinical Programs protesting loudest and longest get the beds	• Beds are allocated based on a fair and transparent process
• Confusion and disagreement on where patient needs to be placed	• Patients are placed in the right place under the right care providers from the start of the patient journey
• Clinical Programs cannot effectively manage their beds	• Clinical Programs have the tools to effectively manage their beds

**PLEASE CONTACT US IF YOU
ARE FACING THESE CHALLENGES:**

- There are patients that do not belong to your Program in your beds

- Your patients are scattered all around the hospital

- You feel that you can't manage your beds due to lack of clear guidelines and policies

- Clinical Programs have disagreements about who owns which patient.

- Clinical Programs do not understand or agree with how the beds are currently allocated.

" *The process was as important as the result … the engagement provided a foundation for ownership and accountability of patient populations* "

Project Sponsor of an organization that reduced the off-service patients by more than half

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