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Progress Report #8
January 1 – March 31, 2019
CMP Grant: ltcGAIN Program -- Focused Nurse Education

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The following outlines the progress made on the above-named grant between January 1 and March 31, 2019:

1. In response to Directors of Nursing feedback at the pilot test sites, progress is beginning made on the development of content related to communication strategies with residents and family members. This content has been added to the curriculum in three of the modules and others will be added as they are completed over the next few weeks.
2. Project staff is analyzing module evaluation feedback to evaluate education effectiveness in the development of enhanced communication and assessment skills for the overall goal of improving patient care and minimizing unnecessary patient transfers or other interventions.
3. Module pre- and post-test outcomes have been compiled.
4. An item analysis is being conducted on the pre- and post-test data.
5. Pre- and post-test scores are being examined by level of licensure and across facilities by profession to evaluate effectiveness of training in relation to professions.
6. Project staff continues to work to gather the historical data from each facility (for the 6 months prior to the beginning of the ltcGAIN education—September 2017 through February 2018) in order to conduct analysis of hospital readmission rates and preventable emergency room visits that occurred prior to the ltcGAIN education.
7. The INTERACT Quality Improvement Tool for Review of Acute Care Transfers (or its equivalent) is being provided by each pilot test site for analysis of hospital transfers during the post implementation timeframe of July through December 2018). The ability to gather data from these tools while maintaining HIPAA compliance has been carefully addressed and tested.
8. Drafting of the final report has begun.
9. The ltcGAIN program has been announced to LeadingAge Ohio members and release of the program for registrations occurred during the week of January 7.
10. Ongoing advertising is planned to include:
    a. Inclusion of ltcGAIN in LAO weekly education eblast on 4/2/19 and again each month thereafter.
    b. Sending targeted eblasts about the modules to member facility DON's and Administrators
    c. Sharing information about the modules at the SNF Regional Forums (May and October 2019)
    d. Having printed materials about ltcGAIN at registration tables at future LeadingAge Ohio education events.

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