While you are waiting...
Send a nice note to a loved one



# Context and Quality Safety Culture and Burnout in the NICU

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#### **Objectives**



- Review safety culture and burnout as factors of context in health care delivery
- Understand links between context and the success of quality improvement efforts
- Understand links between context and clinical outcomes
- Suggest possible solutions to promoting healthy context of care



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#### Family Expectations



- Receive exactly the care they need, defect free
- Customized to their individual needs
- On demand, as requested
- Immediate response to problems or changes
- All waste eliminated





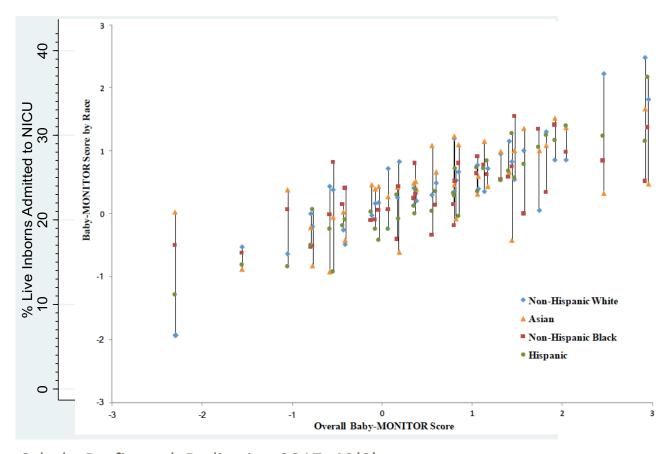
## Reality is more complicated





#### Large variation remains





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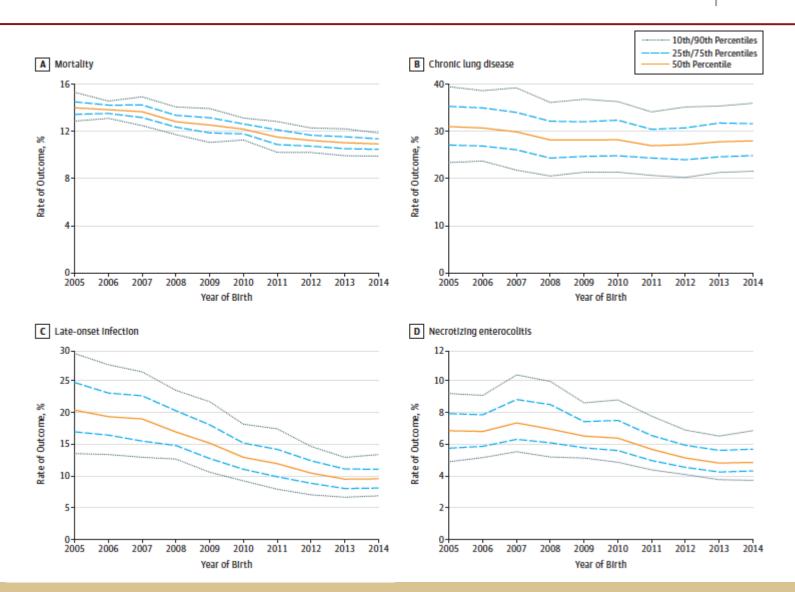






#### Actually, some good news

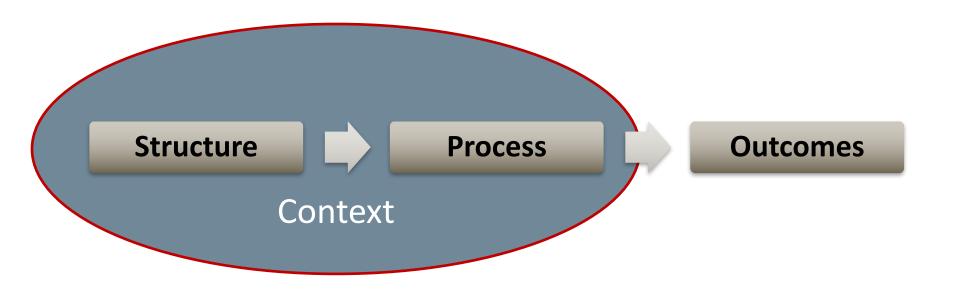




Horbar, JAMA Peds 2017

# To Improve Quality & Safety Address Both Context and Processes





## Cooking a perfectly boiled egg Simple - Process driven





- Egg factors (Case mix)
  - –Age of egg
  - -Size of egg
- Cooking factors (Quality)
  - -pH of water
  - Temperature of water
  - –Time of cooking
  - -Altitude



## Providing a perfect dinner experience Complex – Systems-based approach





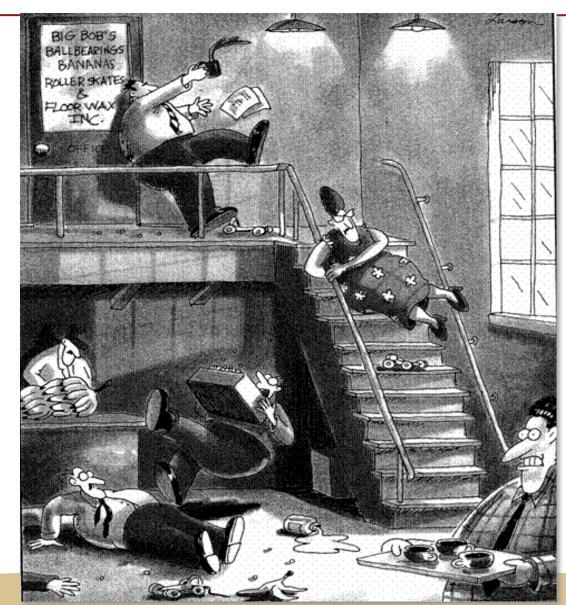
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#### **Context Factors - Example 1**



# "Culture of Safety"





## Safety Culture



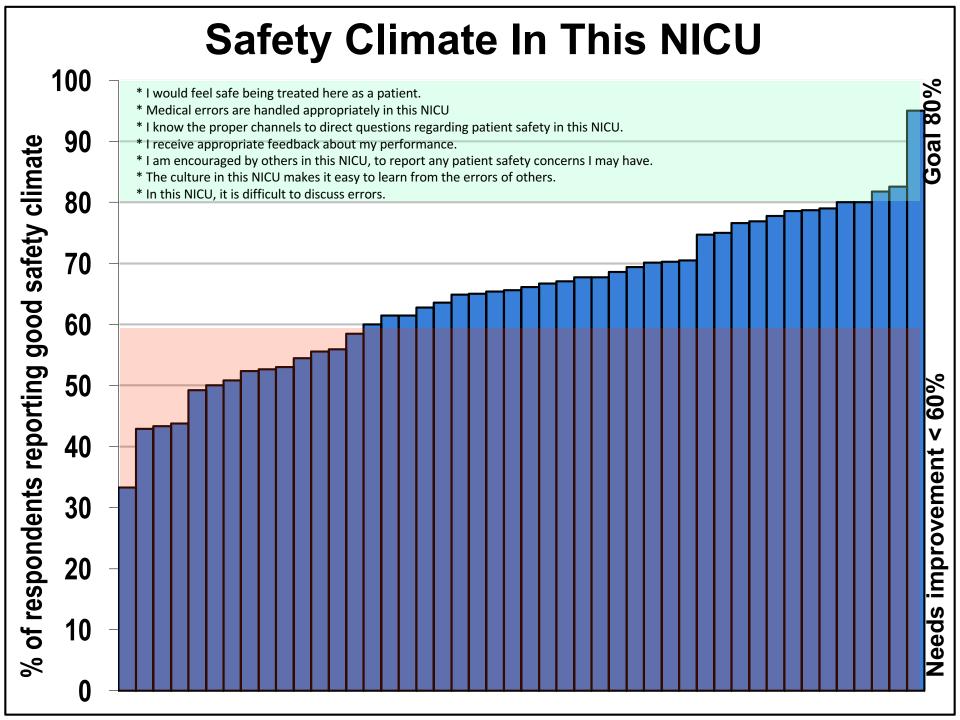
Definition: "individual and group values, attitudes, perceptions, competencies, and patterns of behavior that determine the "The way we do things around here"

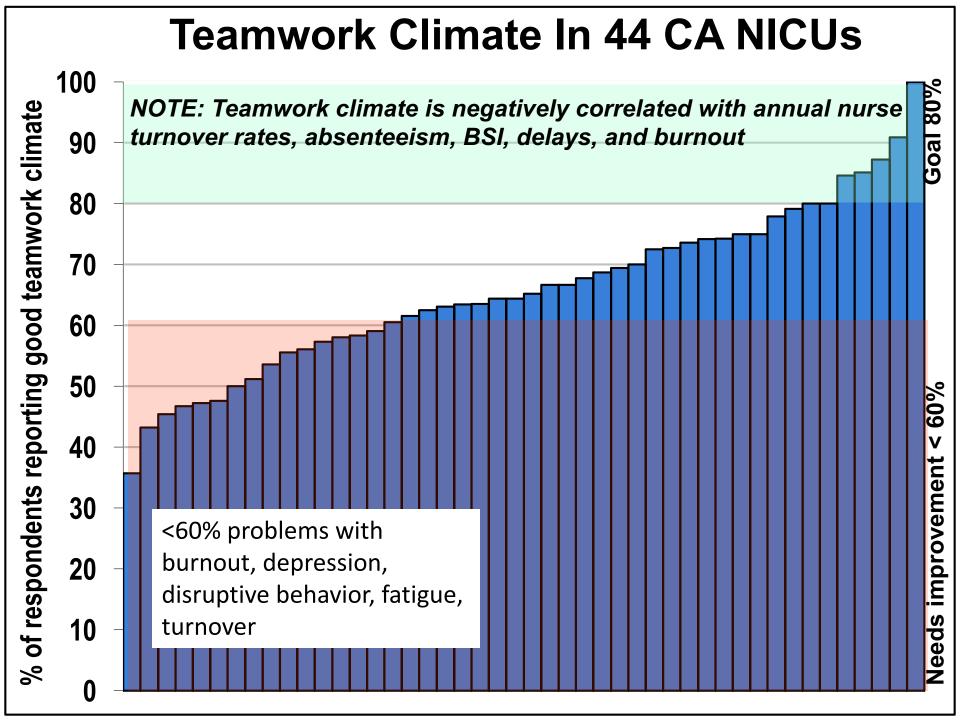
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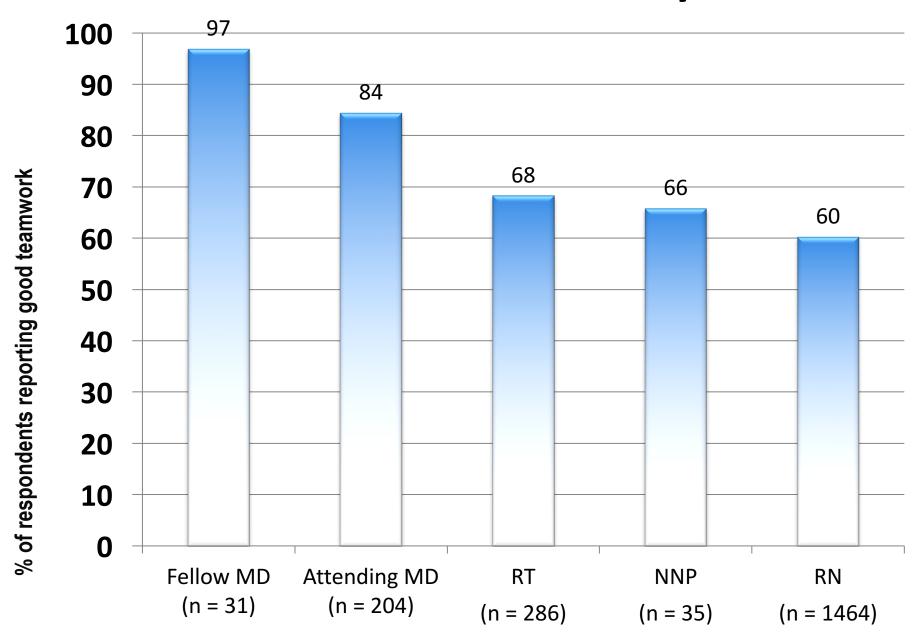








### **NICU Teamwork Climate by Role**



## Safety Culture and Clinical Outcomes

#### **Patient Outcomes**

- Adverse Events
- Medication errors
- Readmissions for MI and CHF
- Length of Stay
- ICU mortality
- BSI in the ICU/NICU
- VAP in the ICU
- Post-Op Infections
- Ulcers in Med/Surg Units
- Delays in OR and ICU
- Surgical PE/DVT
- Wrong Site Surgeries

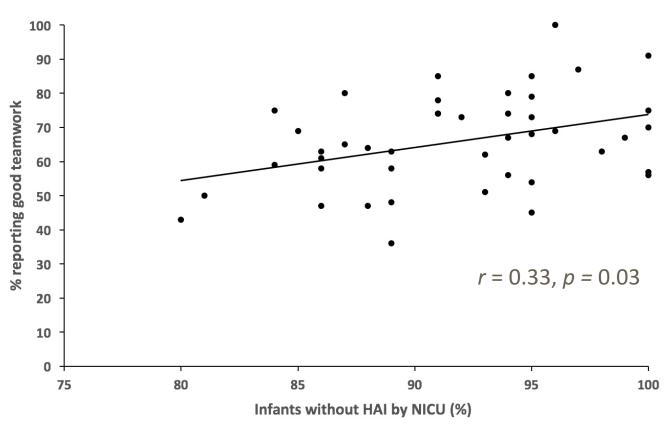
#### **Staff Outcomes**

- Safety behaviors
- Incident Reporting Rates
- Reduced staff injuries
- RN Turnover
- Absenteeism
- Burnout



#### Teamwork and NICU Infections





Profit et al. *Am J Perinatol.* 2017 Aug;34(10):1032-1040.

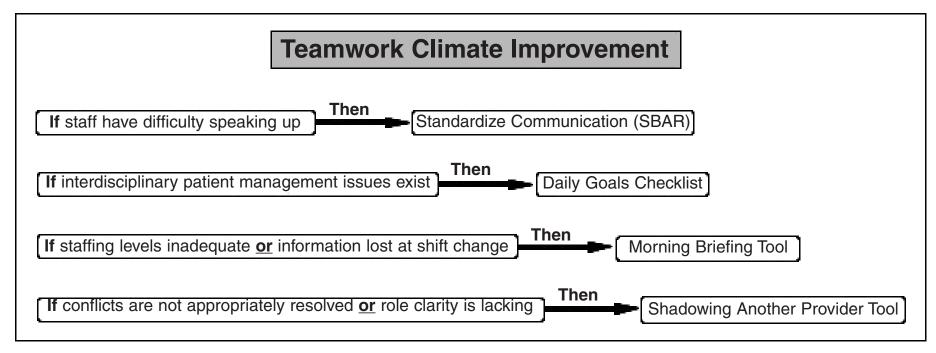






#### If Low on Teamwork, Then





Hudson, Sexton et al. Contemporary Critical Care 2009





# Exposure to Leadership WalkRounds in neonatal intensive care units is associated with a better patient safety culture and less caregiver burnout

J Bryan Sexton,<sup>1,2</sup> Paul J Sharek,<sup>3,4,5</sup> Eric J Thomas,<sup>6</sup> Jeffrey B Gould,<sup>3,4,7</sup> Courtney C Nisbet,<sup>3,4</sup> Amber B Amspoker,<sup>8,9</sup> Mark A Kowalkowski,<sup>8,9</sup> René Schwendimann,<sup>2,10</sup> Jochen Profit<sup>3,4,7</sup>

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#### ABSTRACT

**Background** Leadership WalkRounds (WR) are widely used in healthcare organisations to improve patient safety. The relationship between WR and caregiver assessments of patient safety

as a tool to enhance patient safety in perinatal care.<sup>2</sup>

WR have enabled hospital leadership to sustain good relations with frontline caregivers, promote conversations to

# More WR feedback was associated with better safety culture and less caregiver burnout.

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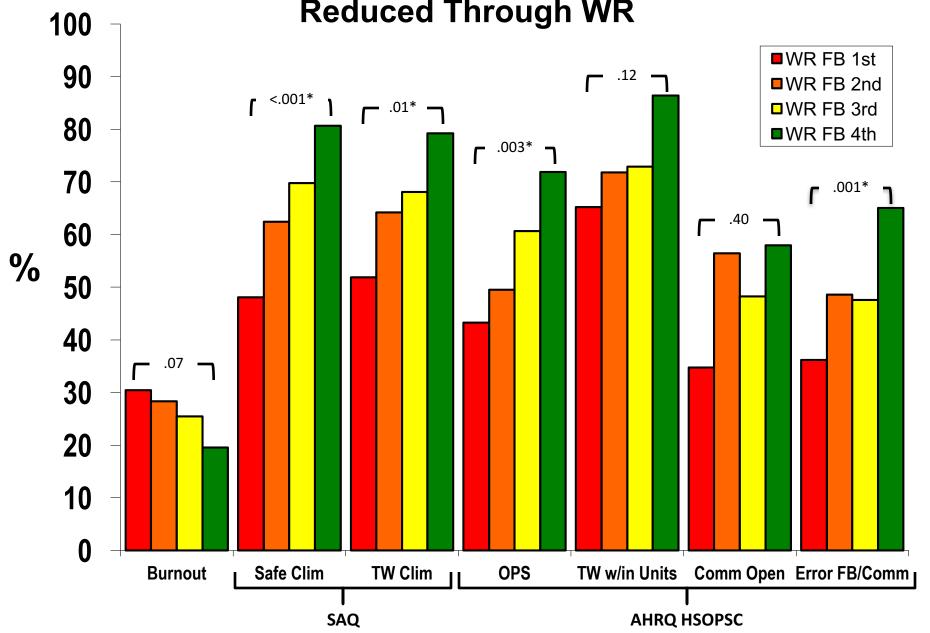
actively participating

in a structured delivery room management quality improvement initiative.

**Results** Of 3294 administered surveys, 2073 were returned for an overall response rate of

indicate that WR help educate leadership and frontline clinicians in patient safety concepts and lead to cultural changes such as increased transparency in discussions of adverse events and an improved

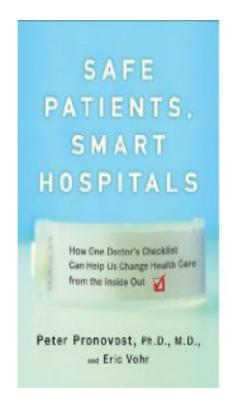
## Quartiles of Receiving FB About Patient Safety Risks Reduced Through WR



# Comprehensive Unit-based Safety Program (CUSP)



- Developed by Dr. Peter Pronovost and Dr. Bryan Sexton in the adult ICU at Johns Hopkins Hospital
- Multi-faceted intervention that integrates care process improvement, communication, teamwork
- Empower staff to assume responsibility for safety in their environment
- 5 basic steps
  - Educate staff on safety, identify defects, engage executives, learn from defects, and implement teamwork tools









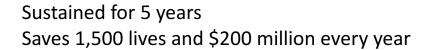


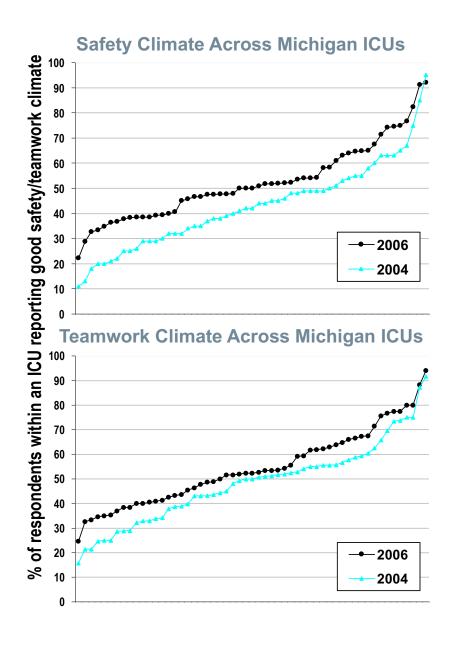
## **Keystone Project**

#### 2 year results, 103 ICUs

Time period	Median CRBSI rate	Incidence rate ratio
Baseline	2.7	1
Intervention	1.6	0.76
0-3 mo	0	0.62
4-6 mo	0	0.56
7-9 mo	0	0.47
10-12 mo	0	0.42
13-15 mo	0	0.37
16-18 mo	0	0.34

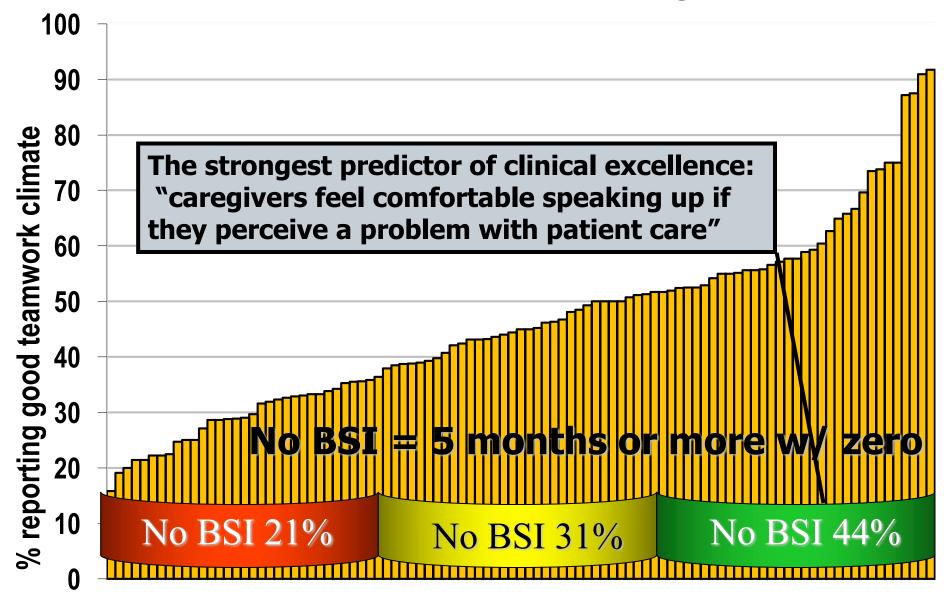
CRBSI – Catheter Related Blood Stream Infection





Pronovost, Sexton et al NEJM 2006;355:2725-2732

#### **Teamwork Climate Across Michigan ICUs**



ICU (each bar = 1 ICU)



# In Michigan about 20% of ICUs did not improve

(those with lowest teamwork AND safety climate ratings but highest burnout ratings)

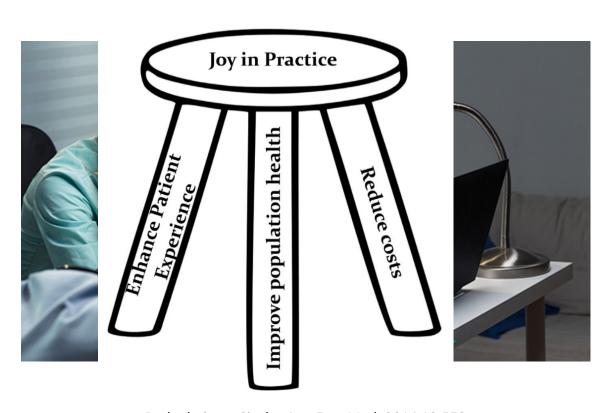




## **Context Factors - Example 2**



"Reducing Caregiver Burnout"



Bodenheimer, Sinsky. Ann Fam Med. 2014 12:573

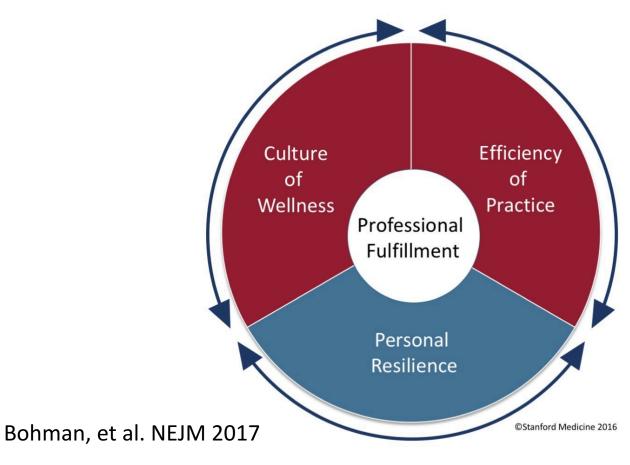






#### **Organizational Strategies**











#### The Business Case for Investing in Physician Well-being

Tait Shanafelt, MD; Joel Goh, PhD; Christine Sinsky, MD

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#### OBSERVATIONS

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- Costs → Turnover, decreased productivity, quality/safety/pt satisfaction
- 600 MDs
  - 50% burnout
  - 15 will leave due to burnout
  - \$500k replacement

#### >7 Million/year

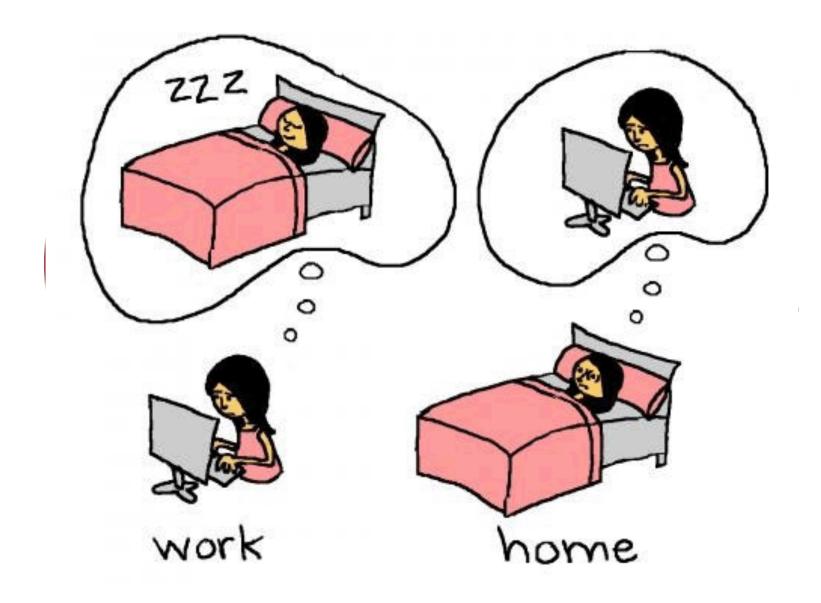
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the financial return on organizational investigation outlining the steps of the typical organization's journal coress this issue is presented. Critical ingredients to making progress include prioritization by leadership, physician involvement, organizational science/learning, metrics, structured interventions, open communication, and promoting culture change at the work unit, leader, and organization level.

conclusions and relevance Understanding the business case to reduce burnout and promote engagement as well as overcoming the misperception that nothing meaningful can be done are key steps for organizations to begin to take action. Evidence suggests that improvement is possible, investment is justified, and return on investment measurable. Addressing this issue is not only the organization's ethical responsibility, it is also the fiscally responsible one.

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#### In the past week, how many of you...



- Skipped a meal?
- Ate a poorly balanced meal?
- Worked an entire shift without any breaks?
- Changed personal/family plans because of work?
- Felt frustrated by technology?
- Arrived home late from work?
- Drank too much coffee?
- Slept less than 5 hours in a night?

Sexton, Chadwick, Profit, et al. The associations between work-life balance behaviours, teamwork climate and safety climate. BMJ Qual Saf. 2017 Aug;26(8):632-640.







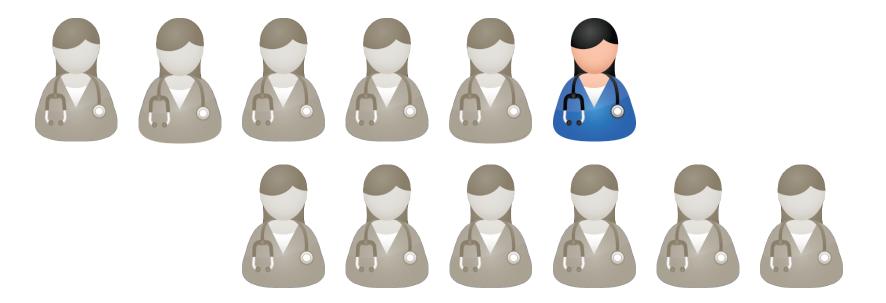
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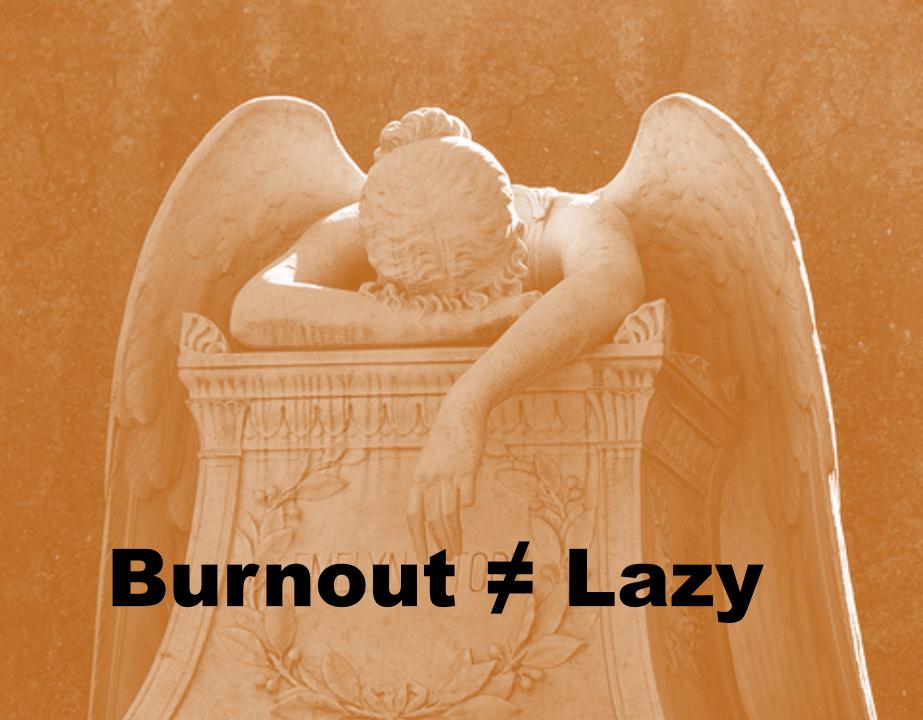
Half are emotionally exhausted (burned out)

2 out of 3 have difficulty sleeping

1 out of 4 are clinically depressed



Sexton, et al. (2009). Palliative Care.



## **Burnout = Running on Empty**



Sense of "running out of fuel"

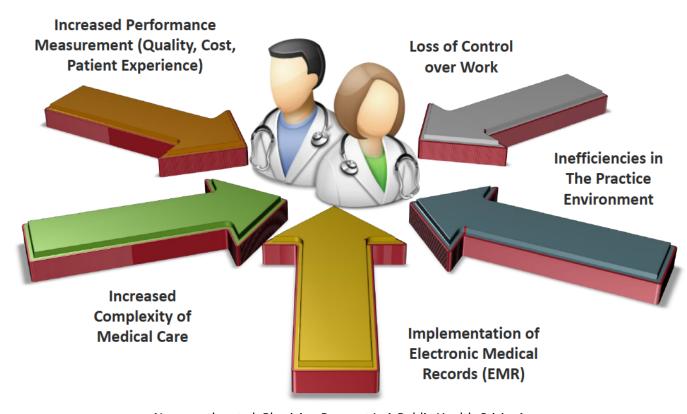
- Hallmark features
  - emotional exhaustion
  - depersonalization
  - reduced sense of personal accomplish





#### **Drivers of Burnout**





Noseworthy et al. Physician Burnout Is A Public Health Crisis: A Message To Our Fellow Health Care CEOs. 2017 Health Aff







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#### A Potential Threat to Successful Health Care Reform

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such as those expenses associated with reporting qualitybased measures, will be an additional ongoing practice expense. These and other new regulations and reporting requirements (eg, requiring reporting of patient outcome data and guideline adherence for payment) will also

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Burnout is common among physicians in the United States, with an estimated 30% to 40% experiencing burnout.

by burnout. Physicians who have burnout are more likely to report making recent medical errors, score lower on instruments measuring empathy, and plan to retire early and have higher job dissatisfaction, which has been associated with reduced patient satisfaction with medical care and patient adherence to treatment plans.<sup>1-4</sup>

Burnout stems from work-related stress. Preliminary evidence suggests that excessive workloads (eg, work hours, on-call responsibilities), subsequent difficulty balancing personal and professional life, and deterioration in work control, autonomy, and meaning in work contribute to burnout in physicians.<sup>2,3,5</sup> Some aspects of health care reform are likely to exacerbate many of these stressors and thus may reform, it is likely to result in increased workload that will exacerbate the challenge physicians have balancing their personal and professional life. Thus, health care reform is likely to adversely affect physicians' workload, autonomy, and work-life balance—all large contributors to burnout.

Health care reform does contain some provisions that may reduce physician stress. For example, removing insurance barriers for treatment of preexisting conditions, facilitating medication coverage, and streamlining insurance claims are all positive features of health care reform that are likely to improve patient care and reduce physician workload and stress. The introduction of a Mayo Clin Proc. 2015;90(12):1600-1613

Changes in Burnout and Satisfaction With Work-Life Balance in Physicians and the General US Working Population Between 2011 and 2014

Tait D. Shanafelt, MD; Omar Hasan, MBBS, MPH; Lotte N. Dyrbye, MD, MHPE; Christine Sinsky, MD; Daniel Satele, MS; Jeff Sloan, PhD; and Colin P. West, MD, PhD

#### **Abstract**

**Objective**: To evaluate the prevalence of burnout and satisfaction with work-life balance in physicians and

Burnout is increasing among physicians in the United States, now >50% experiencing burnout.

both US physicians and l measures used in our n work-life balance was

80 (19.2%) completed the physicians reported (*P*<.001). Satisfaction

differences in rates of burnout and satisfaction with work-life balance were observed by a contrast to the trends in physicians, minimal changes in burnout or satisfaction with work-life e observed between 2011 and 2014 in probability-based samples of working US adults, an increasing disparity in burnout and satisfaction with work-life balance in physicians relative US working population. After pooled multivariate analysis adjusting for age, sex, relationship and hours worked per week, physicians remained at an increased risk of burnout (odds ratio, 1.97, CI, 1.80-2.16; *P*<.001) and were less likely to be satisfied with work-life balance (odds ratio, 0.68; 95 x CI, 0.62-0.75; *P*<.001).

**Conclusion:** Burnout and satisfaction with work-life balance in US physicians worsened from 2011 to 2014. More than half of US physicians are now experiencing professional burnout.

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## Research Article

# THE PREVALENCE AND IMPACT OF POST TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER AND BURNOUT SYNDROME IN NURSES

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**18%** (61/332)

met diagnostic criteria for PTSD

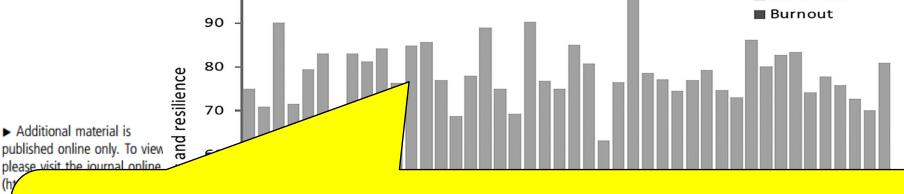
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# Burnout in the NICU setting and its relation to safety culture

Resilience



• Burnout mean = **26**%

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- Inversely related to safety culture
- Contagious

Division of Neonatal and Developmental Medicine, Department of Pediatrics, Stanford University School of Medicine, MSOB Rm x115, 1265 Welch Road, Stanford, CA 94305, USA;

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### Am I burned out?



You try to be everything to everyone

You get to the end of a hard day at work, and feel like you have not made a meaningful difference

You feel like the work you are doing is not recognized

You identify so strongly with work that you lack a reasonable balance between work and your personal life

Your job varies between monotony and chaos

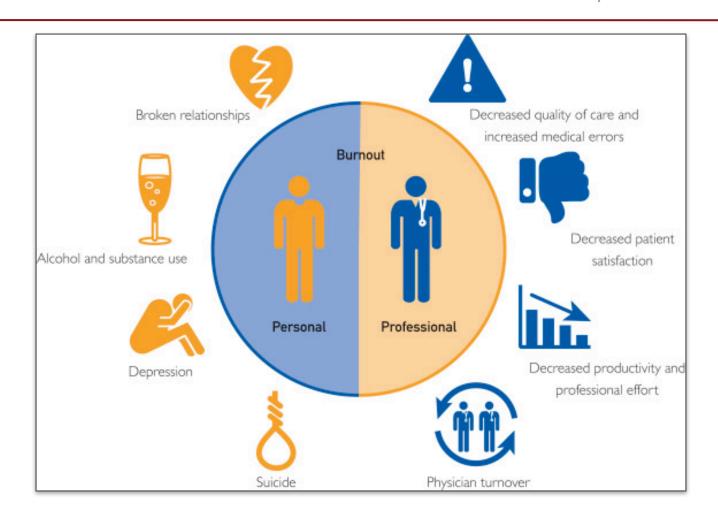
You feel you have little or no control over your work

#### You work in healthcare



## Consequences of Burnout





Shanafelt TD, Noseworthy JH. Mayo Clin Proc. 2017;92:129

# Burnout and patient care

#### **Infections**

Cimiotti, et al. Am J Infect Control. 2012. Tawfik, Sexton, Profit et al. J Perinatol. 2017.



## Lower Patient Satisfaction

Aiken et al. BMJ 2012 Vahey, Aiken et al. Med Care. 2004

#### **Medication Errors**

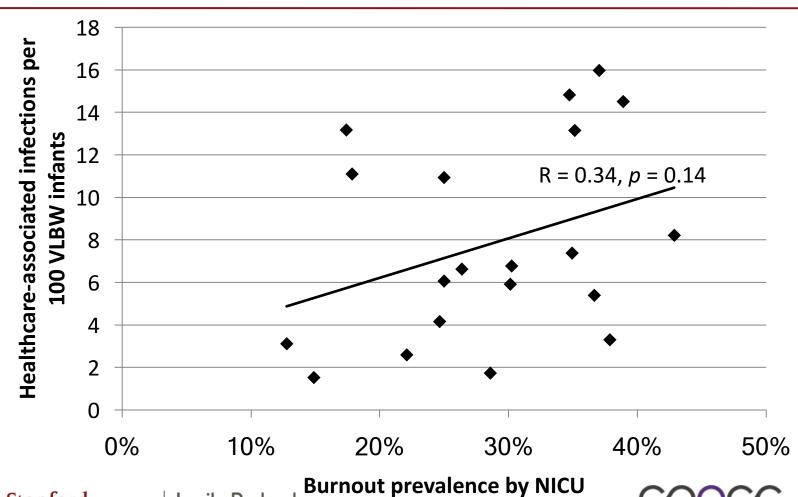
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# Higher Standardized Mortality Ratios

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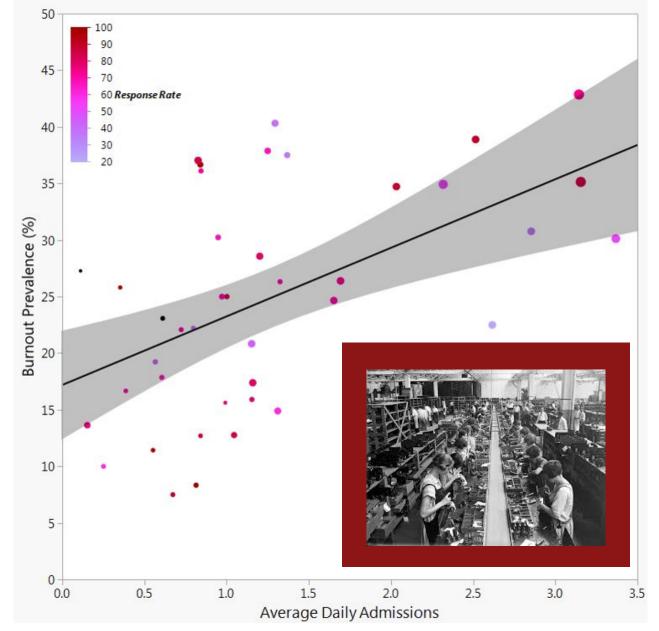
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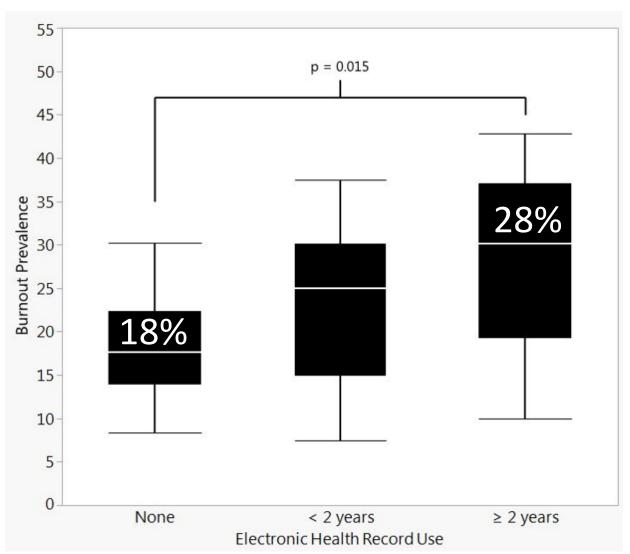
## NICU volume associates with burnout



Each daily admission: 6% increase in burnout prevalence

Tawfik, Profit, et al *Pediatrics*. 2017 May;139(5).

### EHR use associates with burnout





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#### **Annals of Internal Medicine**

### Original Research

## Allocation of Physician Time in Ambulatory Practice: A Time and **Motion Study in 4 Specialties**

Christine Sinsky, MD; Lacey Colligan, MD; Ling Li, PhD; Mirela Prgomet, PhD; Sam Reynolds, MBA; Lindsey Goeders, MBA; Johanna Westbrook, PhD; Michael Tutty, PhD; and George Blike, MD

Background: Little is known about how physician time is allocated in ambulatory care.

Objective: To describe how physician time is spent in ambulatory practice.

**Design:** Quantitative direct observational study (during office hours) and self-re

Setting: U.S

**Participant** medicine, c 430 hours, 2

New Hamps For every hour of patient contact, physicians spent 2 hours on EHR and clerical work.

Measurements: Proportions of time spent on 4 activities (direct clinical face time, electronic health record [EHR] and desk work, administrative tasks, and other tasks) and self-reported afterhours work.

Results: During the office day, physicians spent 27.0% of their total time on direct clinical face time with patients and 49.2% of their time on EHR and desk work. While in the examination room with patients, physicians spent 52.9% of the time on direct clinical face time and 37.0% on EHR and desk work. The 21 physicians who completed after-hours diaries reported 1 to 2 hours of after-hours work each night, devoted mostly to EHR tasks.

Limitations: Data were gathered in self-selected, highperforming practices and may not be generalizable to other set-

cians spend another 1 to 2 hours of personal time each night doing additional computer and other clerical work.

**Primary Funding Source:** American Medical Association.

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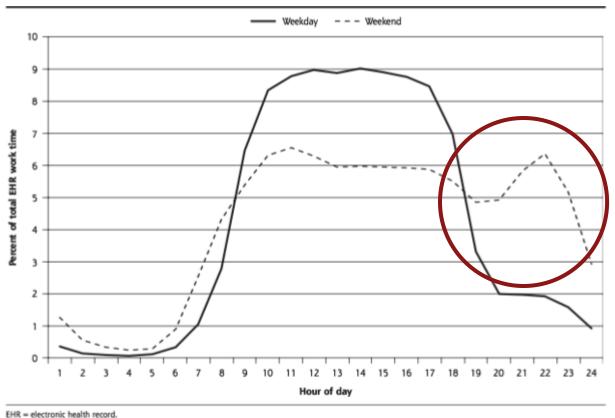
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## Date Night with Epic





#### Measures of **Professional Fulfillment**

- Work After Work
- **Click Counts**
- **Teamwork**
- **Being Present**
- Fair Pay
- Regulatory Balance

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## EHR transformation of work





## **Psychology of Burnout**



Your focus determines your reality

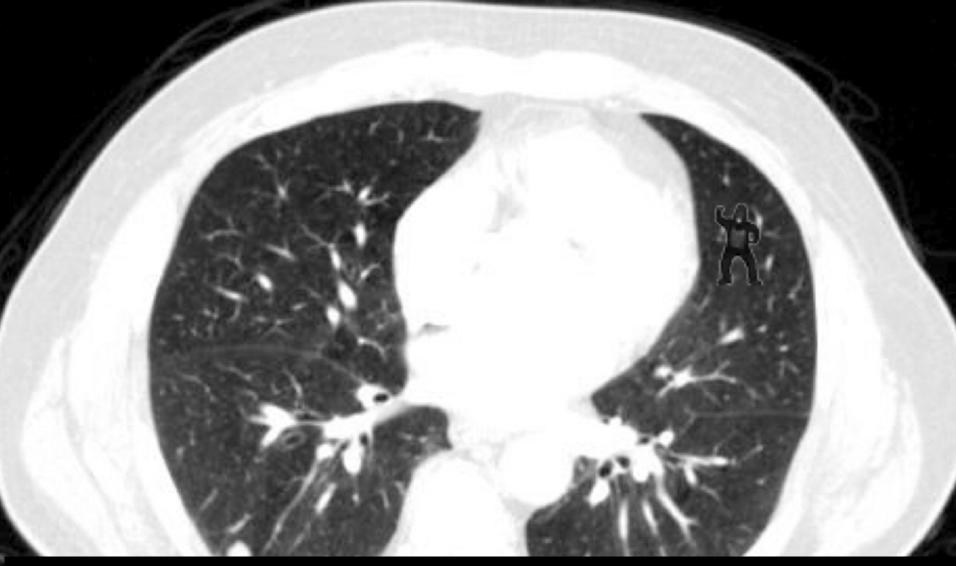
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Perceptions are influenced by how you feel







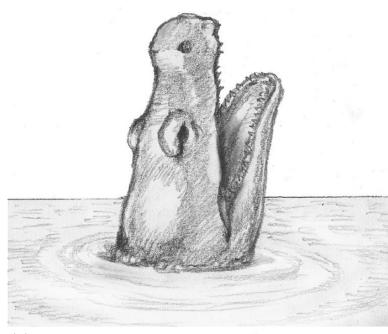


Notice anything unusual about this lung scan? Harvard researchers found that 83 percent of radiologists didn't notice the gorilla in the top right portion of this image.



## Blurt test – don't be shy

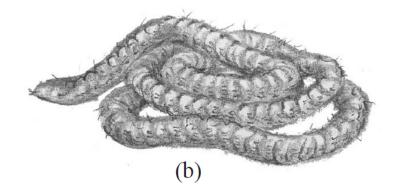




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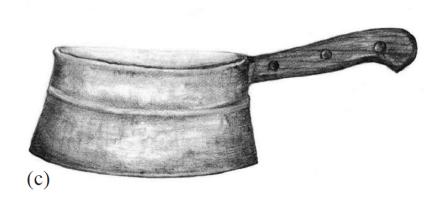


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Alligator or squirrel: Musically induced fear reveals threat

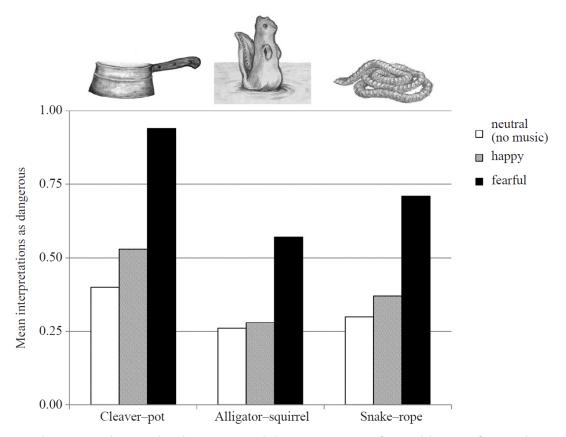
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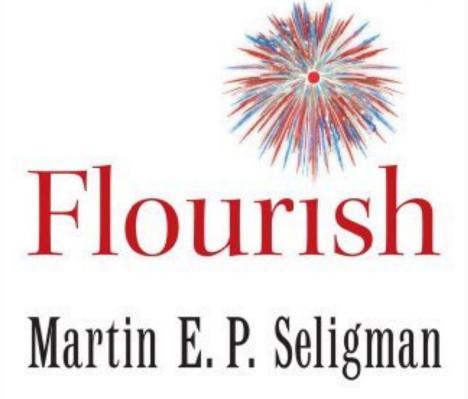
## Three Good Things



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—Tony Hsieh, author of Delivering Happiness and CEO of Zappos.com, Inc.

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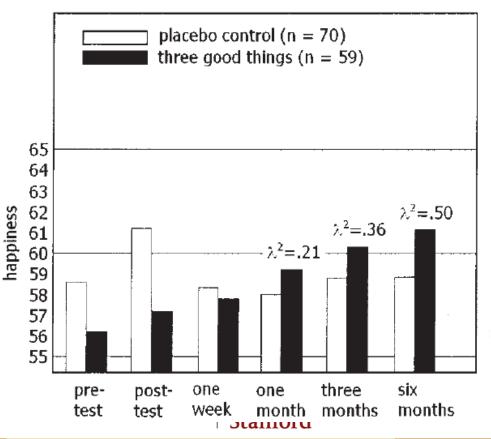


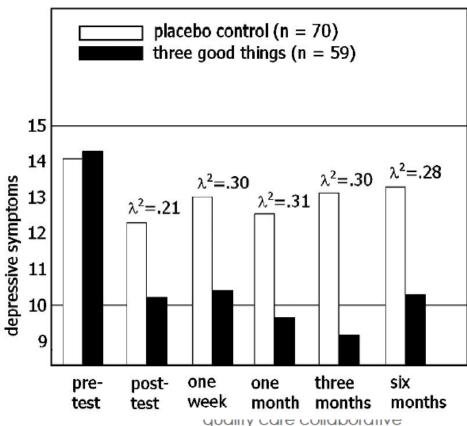
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## Three good things

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 Seligman, Steen, Park & Petersen, 2005





## Nov 2012 NICU - 3 Good Things

90 initiated exercise61 completed at least 7 days

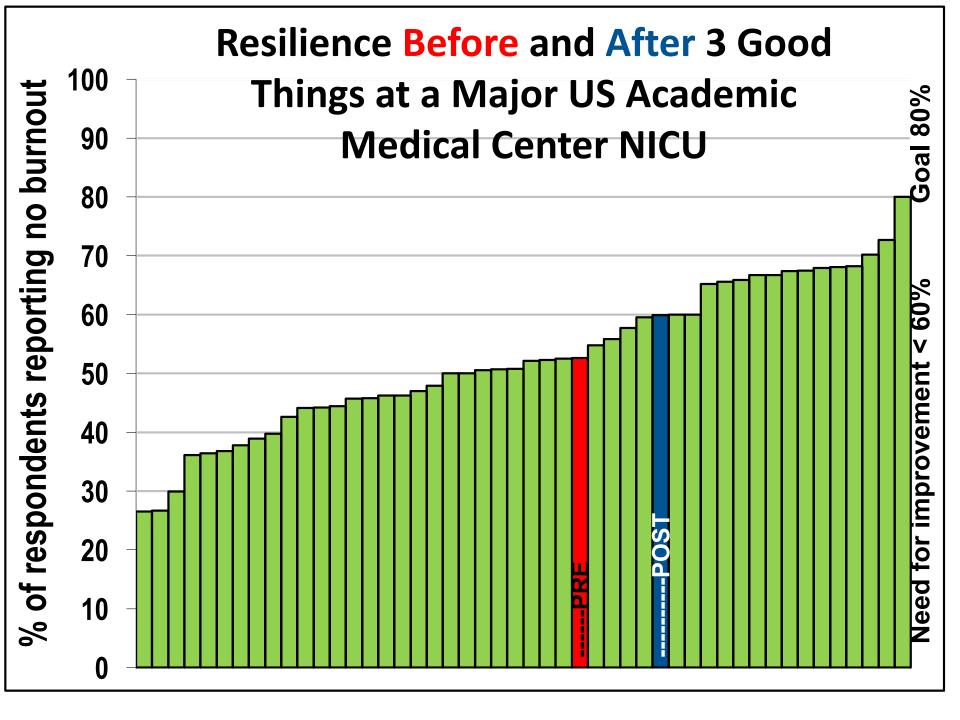
#### Significantly less:

- 1. Burnout
- 2. Depression
- Communication breakdowns resulting in delays
- 4. Challenged in dealing with difficult colleagues
- 5. Taking work home to complete after hours

#### Significantly more:

1. Happiness







## **WISER**

- Burnout
  - Prevalent
  - Bad for patients
  - -Bad for healthcare workers
  - Treatable using evidence based tools

WISER packages the best available evidence for busy healthcare workers





## **WISER**

Gratitude

Three Good Things

Moment of Awe

Random Acts of Kindness

Relationship Resilience

- Individual Program using evidence-based positive psychology tools
- Cell phone-based
- Brief video learning sessions (8-10 min) followed by behavioral interventions

## **WISER Preliminary Results**



- 2 cohort sw-RCT, 4 NICUs each
  - -Cohort 1: 60 texts 6 months
  - -Cohort 2: 28 texts 5 weeks

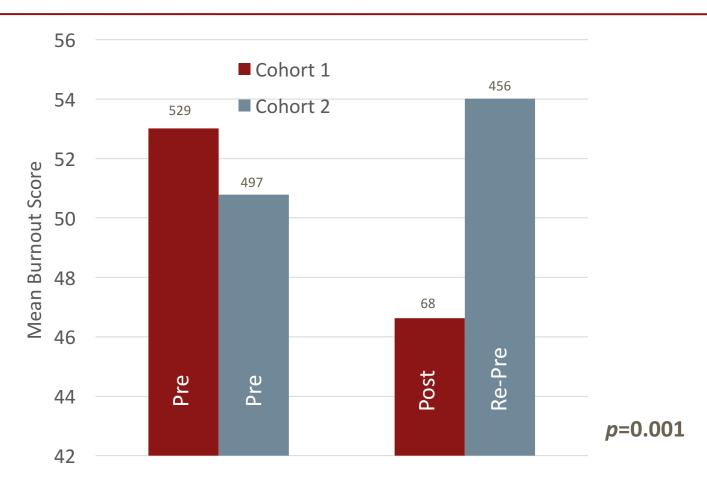






## Primary Outcome - Burnout







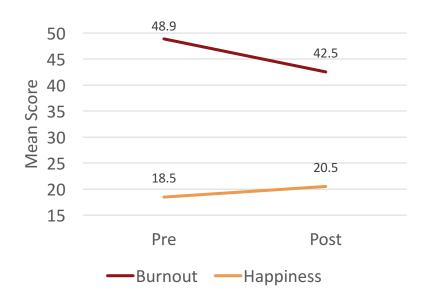
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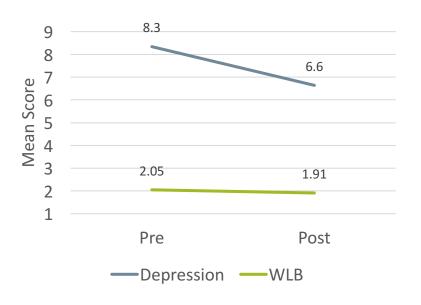




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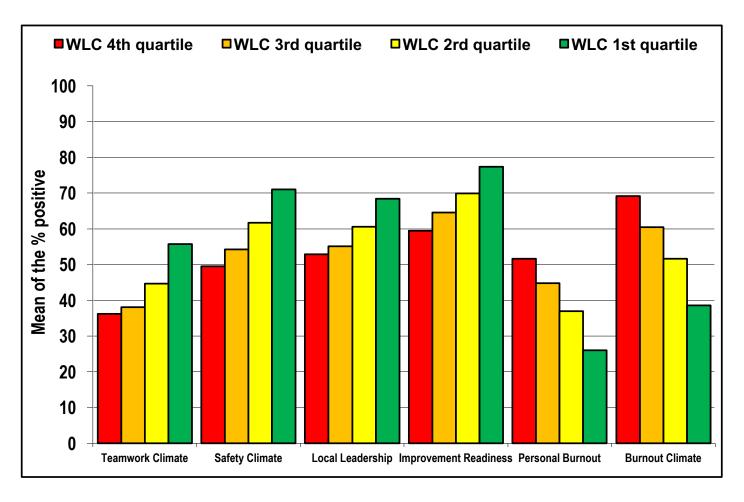
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# Teamwork, Safety Climate, Leadership, Improvement Readiness, Personal Burnout, and Burnout Climate, by Work-life Climate



Schwartz, Sexton, Profit et al., under review – not for dissemination

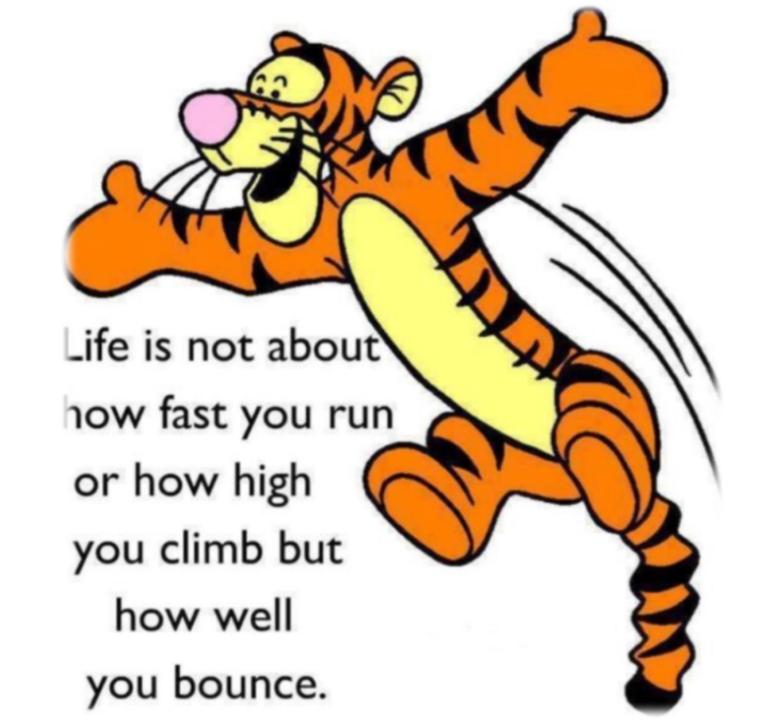
## Summary



- QI requires not just process improvement but careful consideration of care context
- Safety culture, burnout, WLB are all important components of context and affect clinical quality
- Organizations need to develop strategies for quality that account for context factors







## Thank you



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