A virtual healthcare solution

Designed to reduce falls and enhance patient safety

According to the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, between 700,000 and 1,000,000 patients fall in the hospital every year in the United States. Hospital falls are consistently in the top 10 sentinel events reported according to The Joint Commission and 30% to 50% of falls result in injury, leading to an increase in length of stay. With the average, non-reimbursable cost for a fall with injury at approximately $14,000, fall prevention is a leading initiative for most healthcare environments. Cerner Patient Observer™ provides another layer of care and enables your facility to monitor multiple patients from a central monitoring station. At risk patients can be monitored 24/7 for patient falls, room elopement, visitors and invasive line and tube placement.

Better visibility with intelligent alerts

Patient Observer™ leverages advanced Microsoft® Kinect® technology to care for the patient at every angle. Unlike traditional 2D video cameras, Cerner Patient Observer has the unique ability to see in 3D and track human skeletons. Motion zones are defined to meet the unique needs of each patient which helps to reduce the risk of alert fatigue for the monitoring technician.

Key benefits

- Helps reduce the overall cost associated with adverse events and 1:1 patient sitters
- Designed to monitor at risk patients 24/7 for falls, elopement, visitors and invasive lines and tubes.
- Integration with CareAware Event Management™ for enhanced alerting capabilities.

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3 Ibid.

Health care is too important to stay the same:
Any unit with a falls problem should have this solution.

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Proactive patient communication
Two-way communication makes it easy for the monitoring technician to redirect the patient, and potentially prevent an adverse event from occurring. When an alert is issued, the monitoring technician can engage the patient in a two-way conversation with a single click, and contact the care team if needed.

Nursing and staff satisfaction
Sitter requests can be difficult for organizations to anticipate. Care team members are frequently re-assigned to meet demand, in turn pulling much-needed staff from providing direct patient care. Patient Observer equips organizations for 1:1 sitter requests by providing one monitoring technician the ability to remotely monitor and communicate with multiple patients and notify care team members of emergent situations as they arise.

About Cerner
We’re continuously building on our foundation of intelligent solutions for the health care industry. Our technologies connect people and systems, and our wide range of services support the clinical, financial and operational needs of organizations of every size.

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Client outcomes were achieved in respective settings and are not representative of benefits realized by all clients due to many variables, including solutions scope, client capabilities and business and implementation strategies.