

# PATIENT MONITORING QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM: IMPACT ON RESPIRATORY COMPROMISE

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# DISCLOSURES

## MEDTRONIC

- Barton Hospital partnered with Medtronic on this program and Medtronic performed the data analysis
- Michael Mestek is a salaried employee of Medtronic

# OUTLINE

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- I. Introduction: Quality Improvement Partnership
- II. Respiratory Compromise: Clinical Challenge
- III. Methods: Role of Patient Monitoring
- IV. Results: Impact on Patient Outcomes
- V. Conclusions & Future Directions

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## MAIN OBJECTIVES

1. Benchmark an institution's postoperative respiratory related events and cost vs. the national average
2. Determine impact of continuous capnography & pulse oximetry monitoring on postoperative respiratory related events
3. Provide quantitative assessment relating the incorporation of patient monitoring with impact on key quality and cost metrics

# BARTON HOSPITAL OVERVIEW

Located in South  
Lake Tahoe,  
California



- Opened in 1963
- Sole Community Provider
- 63 Bed General Acute Care
- 10 Bed Perinatal
- 8 Bed Intensive Care
- Leapfrog Hospital Safety Score A
- Mentor Hospital California Hospital Association
- Recognized as a Top Performer by the Joint Commission
- Four Star Rating for Patient Experience

# BARTON HOSPITAL

## DRG OVERVIEW

### Top 5 DRGs at Barton Hospital

DRG	% of Postop Patients
MAJOR JOINT REPLACEMENT OR REATTACHMENT OF LOWER EXTREMITY W/O MCC	22.9%
CESAREAN SECTION W/O CC/MCC	9.1%
CESAREAN SECTION W CC/MCC	3.7%
LOWER EXTREM & HUMER PROC EXCEPT HIP,FOOT,FEMUR W/O CC/MCC	3.2%
LAPAROSCOPIC CHOLECYSTECTOMY W/O C.D.E. W/O CC/MCC	3.1%

- Orthopedic procedures are most common and account for ~41% of all inpatient procedures.

# RESPIRATORY COMPROMISE: CLINICAL CHALLENGE



# Respiratory Compromise

Prevention/Detection

Current Focus

RISK

INSUFFICIENCY

FAILURE

ARREST

DEATH

## References:

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# RESPIRATORY COMPROMISE

## RELEVANCE AND CHALLENGES ON MEDICAL/SURGICAL UNITS

- Acute respiratory compromise events are common on inpatient hospital wards<sup>1</sup>
- Closed claims analyses suggest 97% of postoperative opioid-induced respiratory depression events were preventable with improved patient monitoring and intervention<sup>2</sup>
- Continuous monitoring of oxygenation and ventilation has been recommended<sup>3</sup>; however, there are limited data evaluating how this change in practice affects patient outcomes

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## PURPOSE STATEMENT & HYPOTHESIS

- **Purpose:** To assess the impact of a quality improvement program (QIP) that established continuous capnography and pulse oximetry monitoring in recovery settings for high-risk patients.
- **Hypothesis:** The institution of continuous respiratory monitoring would reduce respiratory-related events

# QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM: METHODS

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## BARTON HOSPITAL APPROACH

- A hospital Patient Safety Committee instituted the QIP with continuous capnography and oximetry monitoring in October 2013 on the Orthopedic, Medical/Surgical, Intensive Care and Post-Anesthesia Care Units
- Selecting a patient population:
  - Postoperative
  - Known OSA
  - High-risk patients, defined as STOP-BANG scores  $\geq 3$

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## BARTON HOSPITAL METHODS

- Benchmarking to establish a baseline:
  - Performed by comparing hospital data vs. 2013 HCUP National Inpatient Sample
- 38 months of data on 2,258 postoperative discharges were analyzed using UB04 billing data:
  - Comparisons were made between all metrics at the start (2013-2014) and at the end of the QIP monitoring period (2015-2016)

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## OUTCOMES & ANALYSES

- Respiratory adverse events (RAE) were evaluated as:
  - 1) **All respiratory events** including any secondary respiratory diagnosis of hypoxemia, asphyxia, respiratory arrest and failure
  - 2) **PSI-11** (secondary diagnosis of respiratory failure and/or re-intubation/mechanical ventilation)
  - 3) **Postoperative respiratory failure**
  - 4) **Cardiac arrest/resuscitation**
- Changes in length of stay for RAE, ICU transfers and mortality were also determined.

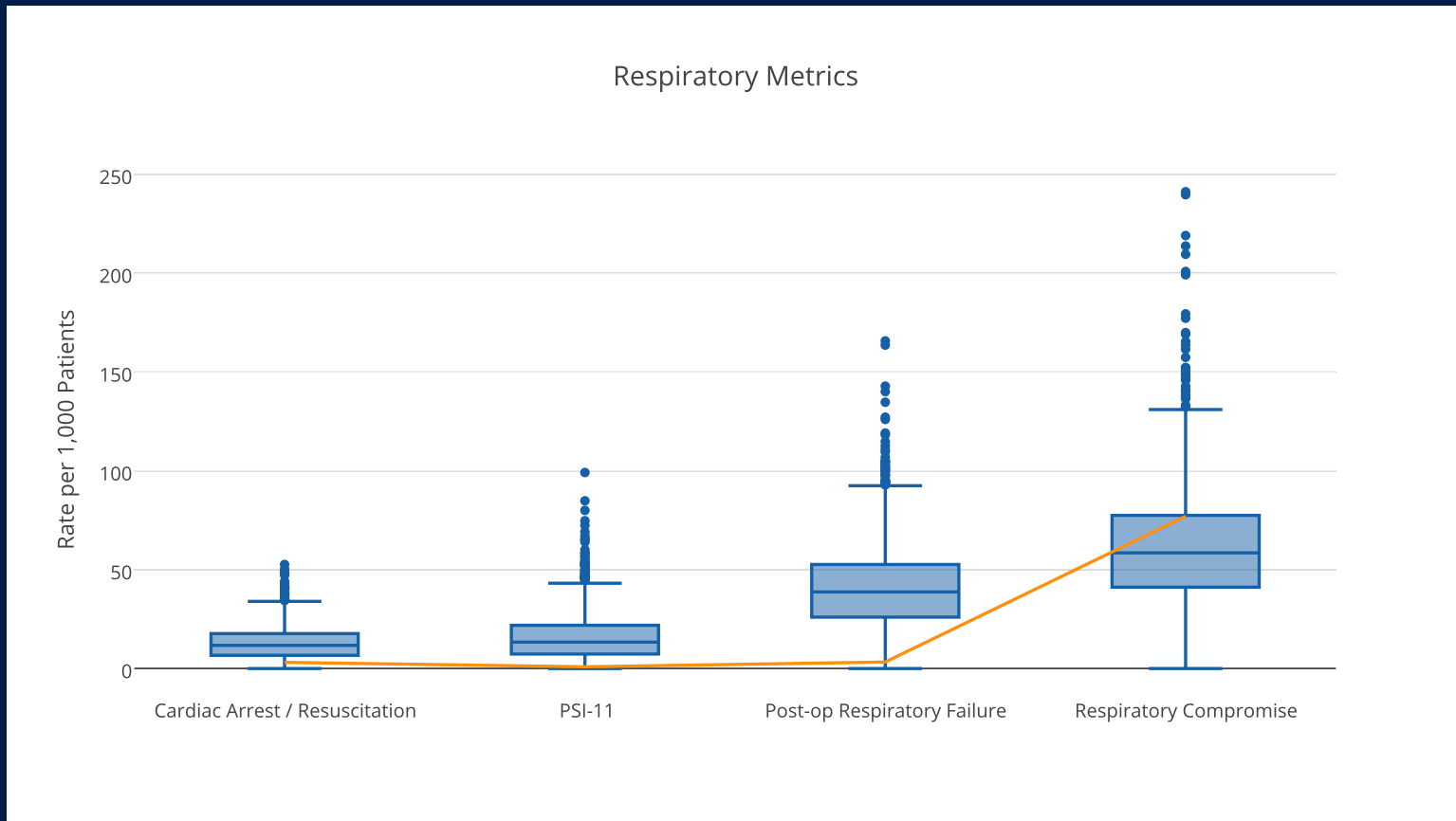
# QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM: RESULTS



# BARTON HOSPITAL BASELINE RESULTS

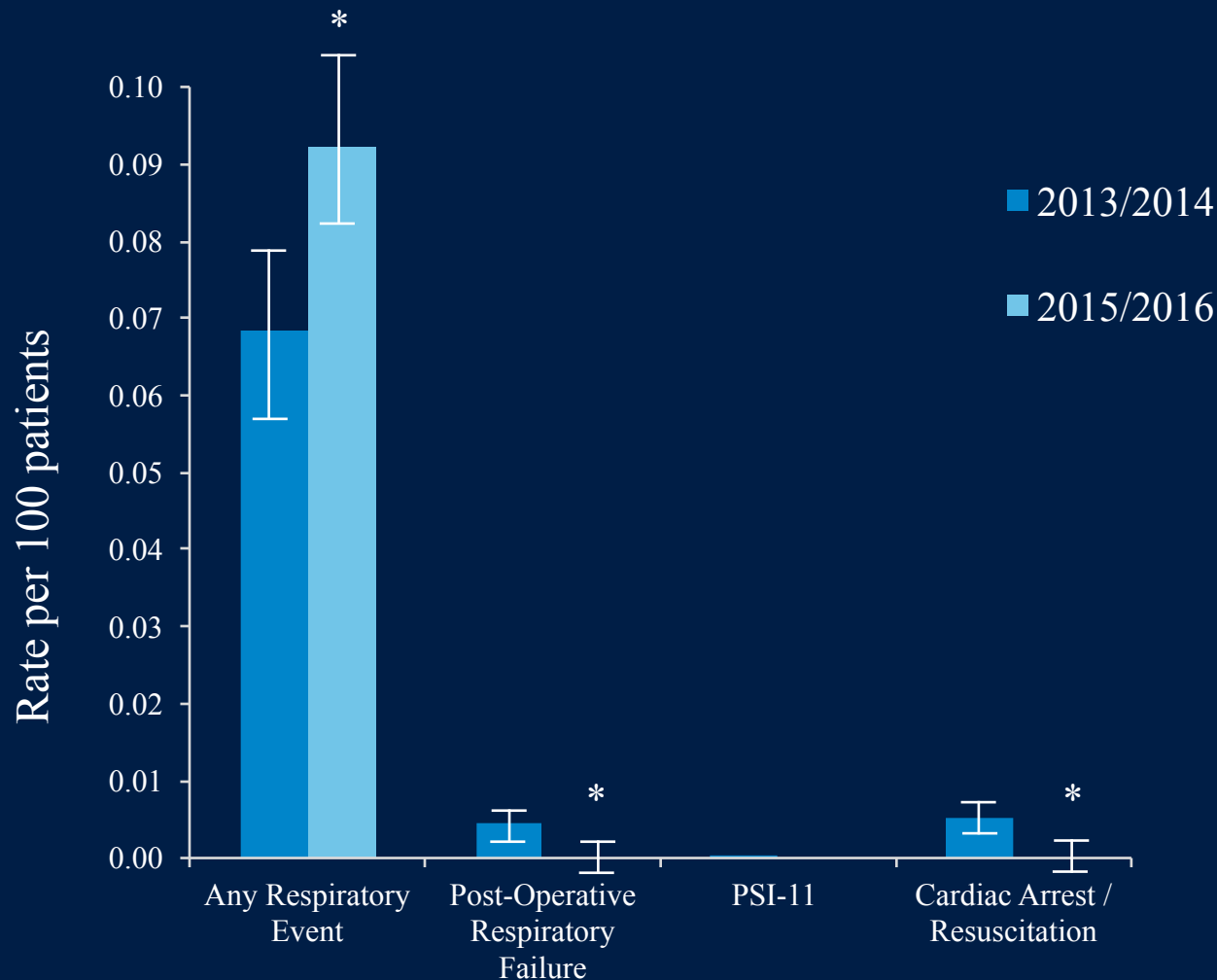
## BENCHMARKS

- Barton Hospital has respiratory events less frequently than the national average and ranks in the top 25% of all hospitals across all respiratory metrics



# RESULTS

## CHANGE IN METRICS FROM 2013/2014 TO 2015/2016



# RESULTS

## ABSOLUTE & RELATIVE CHANGE FROM 2013/2014 TO 2015/2016

Event	2013/2014	2015/2016	P-Value
Any Respiratory Event	90 (6.84%)	87 (9.22%)	0.03
Postoperative Respiratory Failure	6 (0.45%)	0 (0.00%)	0.02
PSI-11	1 (0.01%)	0 (0.00%)	0.39
Cardiac Arrest / Resuscitation	7 (0.52%)	0 (0.00%)	0.02

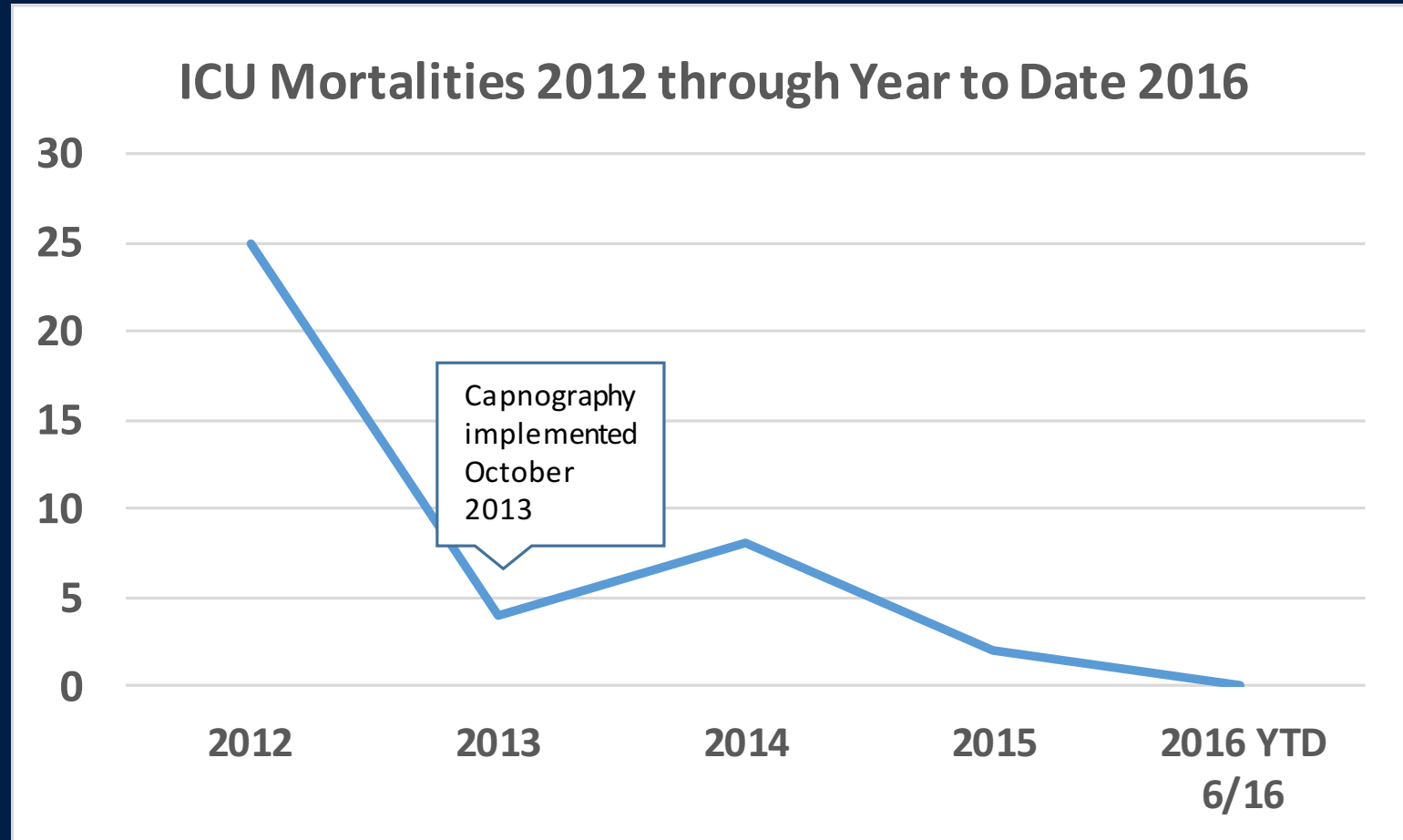
# RESULTS

## ADDITIONAL METRICS

	2013/2014	2015/2016	P-Value
LOS for Respiratory Event	9.16	6.48	0.04
ICU Transfers	36.6%	36.7%	0.98
Mortality	3.3%	0.0%	0.08

# BARTON MORTALITY RESULTS

## JOINT COMMISSION PUBLICATION

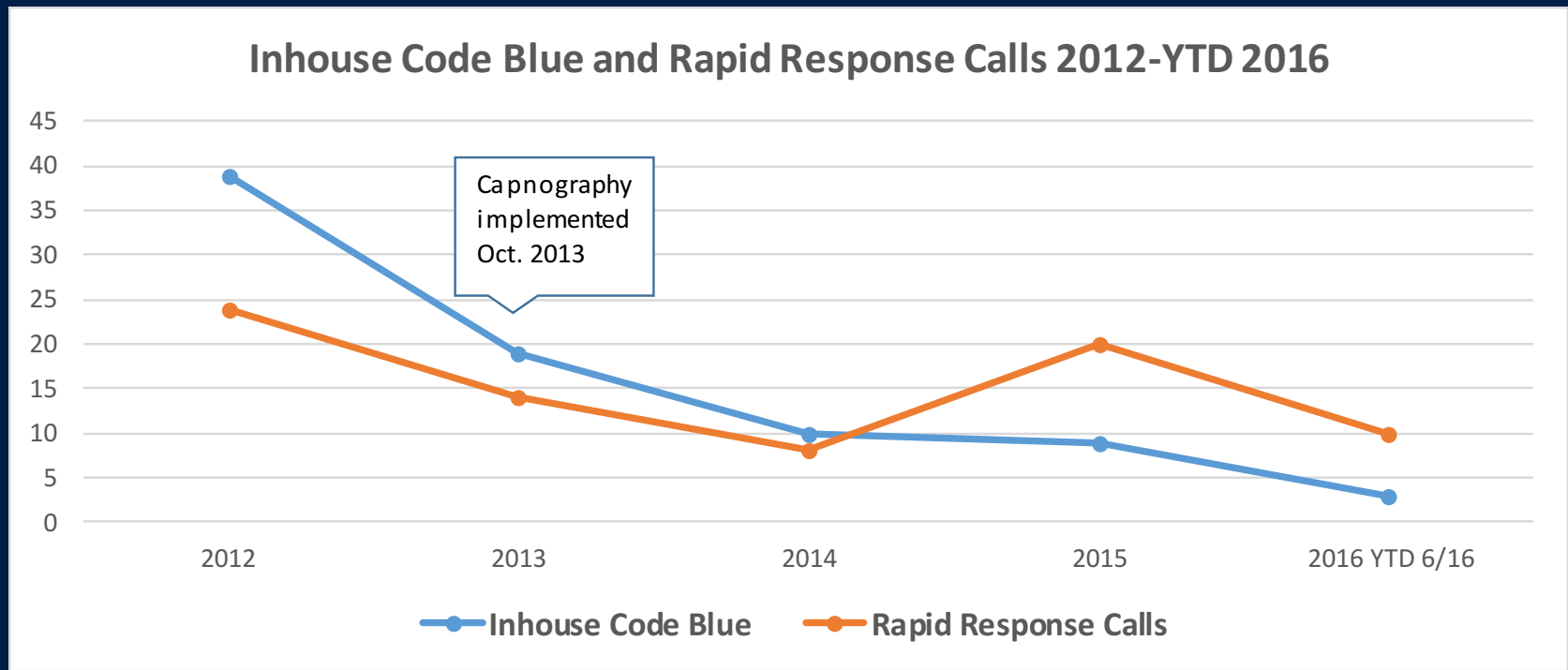


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# BARTON CODE BLUE & RRT RESULTS

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# CONCLUSIONS

# SUMMARY OF RESULTS

## IMPACT ON RESPIRATORY COMPROMISE

- QIP was associated with a decrease in:
  1. Postoperative respiratory failure
  2. Cardiac arrest/resuscitation events
  3. Length of stay from a respiratory event
  
- The program did not result in changes in:
  1. PS-11
  2. ICU transfers
  3. Mortality

**Conclusion:** Continuous monitoring with both capnography and pulse oximetry may improve quality by helping to reduce severe respiratory adverse events and length of stay for high risk patients



# QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

## LIMITATIONS & FUTURE DIRECTIONS

- Pilot program with a small sample size
- Data did not identify who was monitored by capnography and pulse oximetry
- This analysis could be improved by identifying which patients were monitored with capnography and pulse oximetry, treated with Naloxone, or given PCA, potentially through Chargemaster codes

# QUESTIONS

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# APPENDIX