Health Delivery Systems

• In preoperative materials, develop patient-facing education on importance of presurgical optimization that includes glycemic control and anemia

Perioperative Glycemic Control

- Protocolize hyperglycemia screening and treatment for patients with and without diabetes in all surgical settings based on most updated guidelines.
 - o Recommendations for clinicians should include the following at a minimum:
 - Screening for diabetes in preoperative evaluation
 - Day of surgery blood glucose screening for all major surgery
 - Intraoperative target glycemic control ranges based on surgery risk stratification and patient condition (e.g., most commonly <180mg/dL)
 - Postoperative workflow for patients who receive insulin intraoperatively, including threshold to consider inpatient admission for glycemic control
 - Standardized discharge steps for patients with new intraoperative hyperglycemia or diabetes
- Ensure equipment is available perioperatively to check capillary blood glucose at least every 1-2 hours for patients undergoing elective major surgery
- Provide dedicated staff for support in scheduling follow up appointments, including with primary care and endocrinology for those with new intraoperative hyperglycemia

Preoperative Anemia Optimization

- Adopt standardized clinical pathway for identifying anemia and evaluation of underlying cause of anemia, and referral to primary care/hematology for ongoing management of anemia
- Promote adjustment of anemia policies through educational opportunities like inservices
- Incorporate auto-reflexive testing of ferritin, iron and transferrin for presurgical patients with Hb <13g/dL (regardless of sex at birth) for procedures with possibility of 500ml blood loss
- Dedicate quality improvement initiatives for anemia optimization in presurgical patients.
 - Identify surgical populations with highest risk for transfusion and/or blood loss in procedure to pilot anemia optimization protocols
 - o Identify champion in each targeted surgical specialty to promote change

- o Set relevant quality measures to track progress
 - % of patients receiving appropriate preoperative tests
 - % of patients with IDA receiving iron supplementation preoperatively
 - Blood transfusion rates
 - Postoperative anemia rates
- Consider developing dedicated resources/team to direct patients that need further evaluation of underlying cause of anemia

Level 1

Perioperative Glycemic Control

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Preoperative Anemia Optimization

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Level 2

• In preoperative materials, develop patient-facing education on importance of presurgical optimization that includes glycemic control and anemia

Perioperative Glycemic Control

- Protocolize hyperglycemia treatment for patients with and without diabetes in all surgical settings based on most updated guidelines.
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 - Screening for diabetes in preoperative evaluation
 - Day of surgery blood glucose screening for all major surgery
 - Intraoperative target glycemic control ranges based on surgery risk stratification and patient condition (e.g., most commonly <180mg/dL)
 - Postoperative workflow for patients who receive insulin intraoperatively, including threshold to consider inpatient admission to treat glycemic control
 - Standardized discharge steps for patients with new intraoperative hyperglycemia or diabetes

Preoperative Anemia Optimization

 Adopt standardized clinical pathway for identifying anemia and evaluation of underlying cause of anemia, and referral to primary care for ongoing management of anemia • Incorporate auto-reflexive testing of ferritin, iron and transferrin for presurgical patients with Hb <13g/dL (regardless of sex at birth) for procedures with estimated blood loss of 500ml or a risk of transfusion 10% or higher

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Level 3

Perioperative Glycemic Control

 Provide dedicated staff for support in scheduling follow up appointments, including with primary care and endocrinology for those with new intraoperative hyperglycemia

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Preoperative Anemia Optimization

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