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About the faculty

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Chris Riha has been a Certified Clinical Engineer since 1998. Chris is currently employed at Dexcom as their Sr Cybersecurity Analyst on the Hospital Team, as well as guest lecturer at Virginia Tech University in the Biomedical Engineering Department.

Prior to his work at Dexcom Chris worked as the Lead Health System Engineer at MITRE, and as an independent consultant for 4 years, providing Clinical Engineering, Cybersecurity and Project/Program Management expertise to a wide variety of clients.

Mr. Riha also had a 14 year tenure Carilion Clinic. He was responsible for managing up to 70 FTE’s in a dynamic and mission critical environment, reporting to the ‘C’ suite and clinical leaders of the organization. His responsibilities at Carilion included management of the Clinical Engineering Department, as well as application support for all clinical, and business applications, for a $1.2B healthcare delivery organization.

In addition to his CCE certification, Chris has also earned: CSEP (Certified Systems Engineering Professional), CISSP (Certified Information Security Specialist Professional), Security+, ITILv3 Foundation, CCE (Certified Clinical Engineer), as well as PSM (Professional Scrum Master), Health Care Information Security and Privacy Professional (HCISPP) and PMP (Project Management Professional).

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Learning Objectives

General Management

• Budget Development/Execution, Personnel, Management / Supervision, Staffing, Staff Skills / Competency Assessment, Policy/Procedure Management / Development, Performance Improvement / CQI, Business/Operation Plan Development/ Management, Committee Management, Other General Management Activities, Revenue Producing Activities
General Management: Budget Development/Execution

• Healthcare Delivery Organization Funding Streams
  • Government
  • Private Insurance (aka 3rd party)
  • Private Pay

• Clinical Engineering Funding Streams
  • For Profit
  • Cost Center in a Healthcare Delivery Organization
    • Fixed Cost vs Reimbursement for Services
General Management: Budget Development/Execution

- Operational
  - Labor expenses
  - Service/Maintenance Expenses
  - Training expense
  - Travel costs
  - Profit/Loss Statements
- Capital
  - Equipment Life Cycle Planning
  - New equipment/technology
  - Total Cost of Ownership
General Management: Personnel Management

- Administrative Processes
- Mentoring
  - Coaching
- Conflict Resolution
- Competency Assessment
- Skills Assessment
  - Training Requirements/Planning
General Management: Continual Quality Improvement (CQI)

- Deming Cycle

Image from Mind Tools
General Management: Continual Quality Improvement (CQI)

• ISO 9000 Series-Series of quality management standards for organizations.

• ISO 13485 -Quality Management standard for medical device manufacturers.
General Management: Continual Quality Improvement (CQI)

- Lean Six Sigma
- Six Sigma
  - DMAIC
  - Control Charts
- Process Mapping
- Lean Six Sigma
- FMEA
- Hot Wash

Graphic and definitions from American Society of Quality Engineering,
Continuous improvement of your department is a must in order to continue to adapt to the ever-changing landscape of healthcare. Which of the following processes listed below can help with this as a manager:

A. Lean Six Sigma
B. Communications with the front office
C. Attending conferences
D. Constant staffing changes to bring in new staff members better equipped with the current healthcare processes
General Management: Discussion Question

As a new manager of a clinical engineering department, you realize that one of you technicians has been falsifying PM records for some time. How do you as a clinical engineer handle the situation to hold this individual accountable for his actions?
General Management: Discussion Question

As a healthcare technology manager, the best way to approach the hiring process to help the growth of your department is:
General Management: Management Structures in Healthcare

- Functional structure
- Divisional structure (also known as multidivisional structure)
- Flatarchy structure (also known as horizontal, or flat, structure)
- Matrix structure
General Management: Clinical Engineering Staffing

• Common Metrics
  • Number of Beds per FTE
  • Number of Equipment Pieces per FTE
  • Total Acquisition Cost per FTE
  • FTE Calculator

‘The FTE Calculator is the most accurate way to determine department FTEs. FTE = (number of pieces of medical equipment) x (time needed for maintenance, service, repair of per device) / (hours available per FTE).’ *

* Excerpt ACCE Clinical Engineering Certification Study Guide v9.0
## General Management: Clinical Engineering Staffing

### Example of Actual CE Department Metrics

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General Management: Clinical Engineering
Staffing/Competency Assessment and Training

• Required annual training for all clinical personnel
• OEM vs 3rd Party Training
• Cross training of staff
General Management: Clinical Engineering Revenue Producing Activities

Considerations:
- Corporate structure of organization
- Liability
- Impact of staffing
- Travel time and expense
- Business Plan Development P/L analysis
General Management: Clinical Engineering Committee Management

- Defined Charter or Scope
- Thoughtful and purpose selection of members and their respective roles
- Well managed meetings
- Well documented meetings
  - Agendas sent prior to meetings
  - Minutes or notes from meetings taken, distributed and archived
General Management: Clinical Engineering Committee Management Discussion Question

You are the clinical engineering manager at a large tertiary care hospital with an academic affiliate. You are charged with heading up a committee to evaluate and develop a plan for a Radiation Oncology Center of Excellence. In an effort to assemble the appropriate team, you form an integrated product team composed of: (please select the “best” fit)

a. Executive Management Team Representative, Engineering, Clinical Engineering, Radiology Supervisor
b. Executive Management Team Representative, Strategic Planner/ Capital Asset Manager, Radiation Oncologist, Medical Physicist, Clinical Engineering, Information Technology, Purchasing, Engineering, Dosimetrist
c. Strategic Planner, Radiation Oncologist, Information Technology, Clinical Engineering
d. None- No integrated product team is needed.
General Management: Clinical Engineering Committee Management

Discussion Question

You are the clinical engineering manager at a large tertiary care hospital with an academic affiliate. You are charged with chairing the equipment committee. You notice that Medicine Service (the largest clinical service in the hospital) often misses out on capital purchases due to lack of attendance to meetings. You have reached out to the Medicine Service representative, their supervisor and executive leadership about the issue and the attendance of the service has not improved. What is the best course of action to take?

a. Continue to contact the representative and ask them to attend.
b. Remove the Medicine Service representative from the group- they are making it more difficult to reach a quorum.
c. During the committee’s annual review, make note of attendance and create an action/ suggestion to change the group’s membership or for the service to appoint multiple representatives.
d. Take no action.
General Management: Clinical Engineering Business/Operational Plan Development/Management

Core Components of Business Plan Development
• Medical Equipment Management Plan
• Accurate Inventory including software network connectivity
• Medical Equipment maintenance history
• Staff training and competencies (both internal and end user)
• Medical Equipment Life Cycle Analysis
• Cybersecurity
• Contract management
Discussion Question

You are the clinical engineering manager in a large tertiary care teaching hospital. You currently are not responsible for the repair and maintenance of any imaging equipment. You are asked to evaluate whether or not to start up an in-house imaging services program in the next 90 days. Which of the following describes the best action plan for this task?

a. Discuss with other Clinical Engineering managers who have done this in the past, interview radiology maintenance person, estimate costs
b. Develop a business plan
c. Hire one of the imaging equipment manufacturers to assess the equipment and based on their assessment write a business plan.
d. Inventory equipment, collect cost information (contracts, fee-for-service etc), determine availability of personnel and estimate labor and parts costs, perform a cost analysis (preliminary information that could later be turned into a business plan)
General Management: Clinical Engineering Policy/Procedure Management/Development

Definitions:

Policies: Guidelines or laws that drive the Processes and Procedures.

Processes: High-level view or map of the tasks to be performed.

Procedures: Detailed steps required to perform an activity within a process.
Reference Material

Personnel Management:
https://www.perkbox.com/uk/platform/recognition/people-management-skills-to-thrive-as-a-manager

Crucial Conversations, by Joseph Grenny, Kerry Patterson, Ron McMillan, Al Switzler, Emily Gregory

Quality Management:


Meeting Management:
https://www.ala.org/yalsa/aboutyalsa/yalsahandbook/effectivecommittees
Reference Material

Personnel Management:

Quality Management:
ISO 9000 Series

Project Management:
ISO 13485
Questions & Discussions
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