

3.6.6 Patients Safety and Quality Research Group*



Strategic Objective

The ocurrence of adverse events due to unsafe care is likely one of the 10 leading causes of death and disability in the world. Research into reducing harm to patients can lead to better health outcomes, as well as significant savings in healthcare costs. Patient safety is the health care discipline that arises with the increasing complexity of health care systems and the consequent increase in harm to patients. Its objective is to prevent and reduce the risks, errors and damages suffered by patients during the provision of healthcare. A cornerstone of the discipline is continuous improvement based on learning from mistakes and adverse events.

Research lines

Culture of Patient Safety.

- Incident reporting system for notification and analysis of adverse events associated to Healthcare.
- Zero Infections related to Healthcare.
- Safe Surgery Saves Lives, whose purpose is to reduce the risks associated with surgery.
- · Zero venous thromboembolism, in or-

der to reduce complications attributed to hospitalization.

- Safe Medication, reduce the harm of medications.
- Safe Health Worker, Safe patients.
- Safe Transfusions, reduce adverse reactions to transfusion.
- Safe Radiations, to the right patient in the right area.
- Safe Diagnostics, reduce errors that can cause harm.
- Septicemia as a medical emergency.