The Future of Critical Care Healthcare

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Critical Care in the U.S. • More than 5 million patients are admitted annually to ICUs in the United States. • The five primary ICU admission diagnoses are: Respiratory insufficiency/failure Postoperative management Ischemic heart disorder Sepsis

Heart failure



http://www.sccm.org/Communications/Pages/CriticalCareStats.aspx











Who will work in the ICU of the Future?

- ▶ The changing demographic of the "ICU Team"
- ► The role of technology
- ▶ Expansion of scope of practice of team members
- Development of new roles





Main Concepts of an ideal ICU

- Create intelligent clinical systems
- Use computer-based technology to automate tasks (e.g., voice dictation), improve access to all data from any device (e.g., smartphone, tablet), and establish safeguards and reminders to assist clinicians in medical care and decisions.
- Such a system would eliminate duplicate documentation and data input, improve clinical diagnostics, decrease clinician's reliance on memory, and reduce the potential for medical error.

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Main Concepts of an ideal

- Engage the patient and family in the medical care experience
- Design a patient room with smart screens that display patient information in a timely and understandable manner, offer multilingual translations, and play instructional videos tailored to the patient's medical situation.
- Reduce clutter (e.g., wireless connection of equipment, described in point 2) and provide an area of comfort for family members. Involve the family in the patient's care (e.g., provide oral care, help with mobility). This last point will increase engagement and reduce the sense of hopelessness felt when a loved one is critically ill (Hibbard and Greene 2013). Such involvement will also reduce the burden on caregiver.



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