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“Reducing Delays Associated with IV STAT Medications” is a Quality Improvement (QI) project implemented at the Howard County General Hospital with the goal of reducing delays in administration of STAT IV medications by increasing percentage administered within a 30 minute window.

Under the mentorship of Susan Shermock and Karen Wilson both at Howard County General Hospital (HCGH) I performed a systematic literature review of current evidence, collected and analyzed data related to dispensing and administering stat medications at the hospital. The team used the lean methodology in fostering and sustaining a culture of change and safety, developing and clarifying an understanding of the problem, collaborating and involving key stakeholders, testing change strategies, and continuous monitoring of performance and reporting findings to sustain change.

I am currently a BSN candidate for December 2013. In 2008 I graduated from the University of Minnesota with a Masters in Public Health (MPH). My work experience include working as a program analyst intern in the Minnesota Public Health Collaborative for Quality Improvement analyzing and evaluating immunization and outreach rates of low income children enrolled in the Women, Infant and Children (WIC) and Child & Teen Checkups (C&TC/EPSDT) programs and making recommendations for improvement. I have also led a project in community outreach through mobile public health clinics under the Ghana national TB and Malaria control programs. This project, sponsored by the Danish International Development Agency (DANIDA), also involved providing, coordinating and collaborating in community education, events, and committees. In other projects with both the Minnesota Emergency Readiness Education and Training (MERET) and Centers for Public Health Preparedness (CPHP), I participated in the training of health care professionals, data collection and evaluation of emergency preparedness in the state of Minnesota.

At the personal level, I have developed a broad yet deep understanding and perspective of healthcare quality and safety among various populations in the global context and contributed immensely to shaping my appreciation of people, cultures, my personality and vision. These personal in-depth experiences are valuable assets in my bid to become an effective leader in the process of change.