



# Innovative Change Strategies for Patient Safety

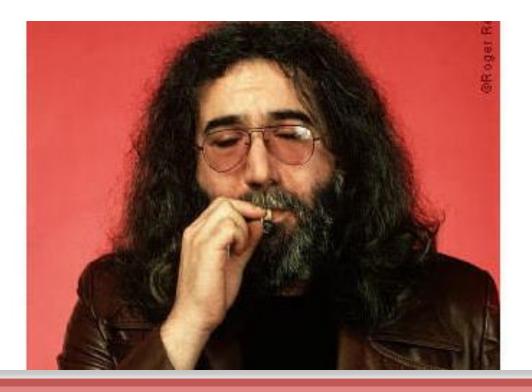
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Nothing to Disclose





"Somebody has to do something, and it's just incredibly pathetic that it has to be us."

Jerry Garcia



## **Objectives**

- To present two examples of innovative change to improve patient safety:
- Using these examples, highlight key concepts:
  - Know your question (Focus and Finish)
  - Get the right people on the bus (Good to Great)
  - The art of Persuasion (The Elephant and the Rider)



#### The ACH ED

- Define the Problem:
  - 10,000 more kids over 5 years
  - An hour increase from door to discharge





#### The ACH ED

- Act to Improve
  - Implemented "Flow Beds"
    - Successful
  - Developed Team Based
    Care
    - Less than successful
  - Triage efficiency
    - Failed miserably





# **AHS Calgary Zone – Med Rec**

- Define the problem
  - Implement med rec in acute care inpatient setting at admission, transfer and discharge in the Calgary zone



### **Focus and Finish**

Know your question



#### **Focus and Finish**

- What ED didn't get right
- What med rec did get right

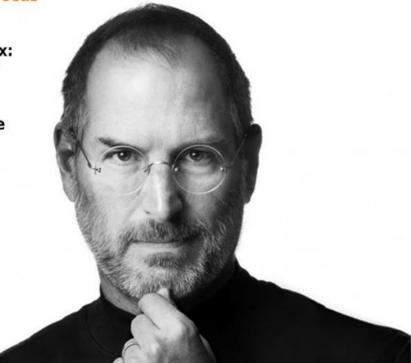
"That's been one of my mantras - focus and simplicity.

Simple can be harder than complex: You have to work hard to get your thinking clean to make it simple.

But it's worth it in the end because once you get there, you can move mountains."

Steve Jobs

1955-2011







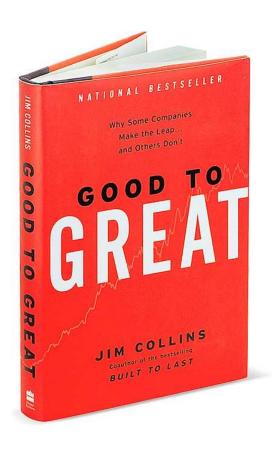
#### **Focus and Finish**

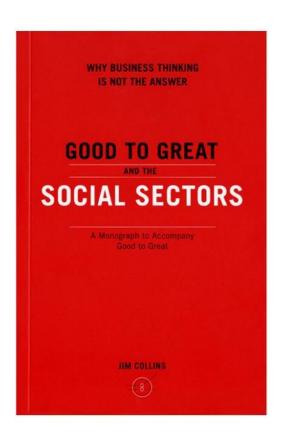
- Knowing your question
  - Essential step in implementing change
  - Many ways to get there:
    - Driver Diagrams
    - Fishbone Diagrams
    - Process mapping
    - 5 Why's
  - Just need to get there!



**Understand Strengths** 







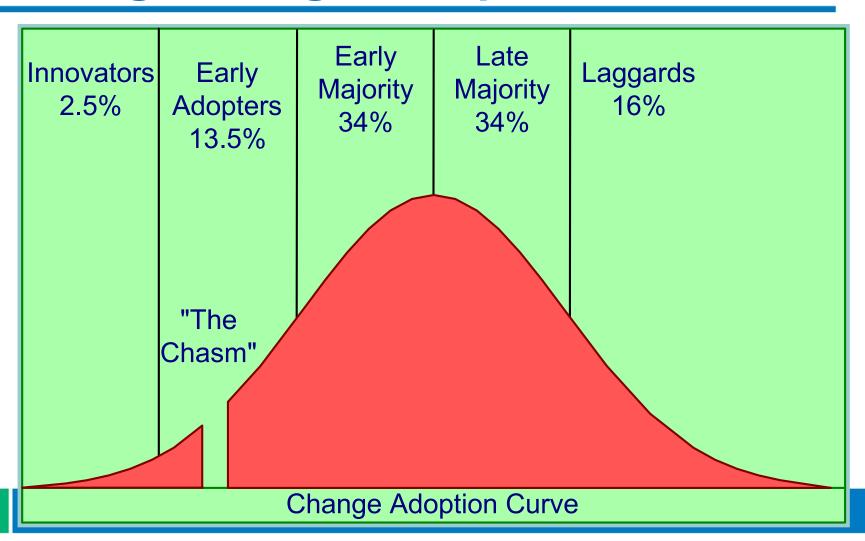


What ED got right

What MedRec didn't get right









Strength-Based Leadership

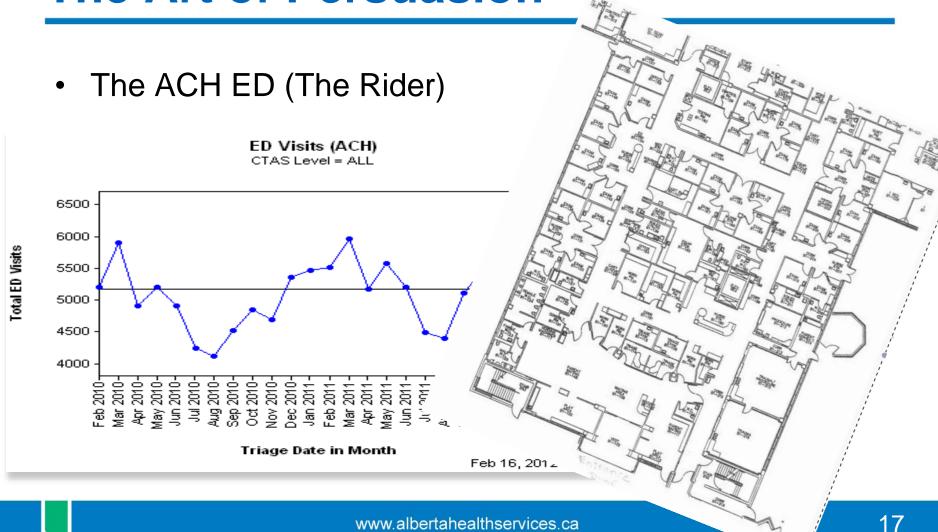
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Executing	Influencing	Relationship Building	Strategic Thinking
Arranger	Maximizer	Harmony	
Responsibility		Developer	

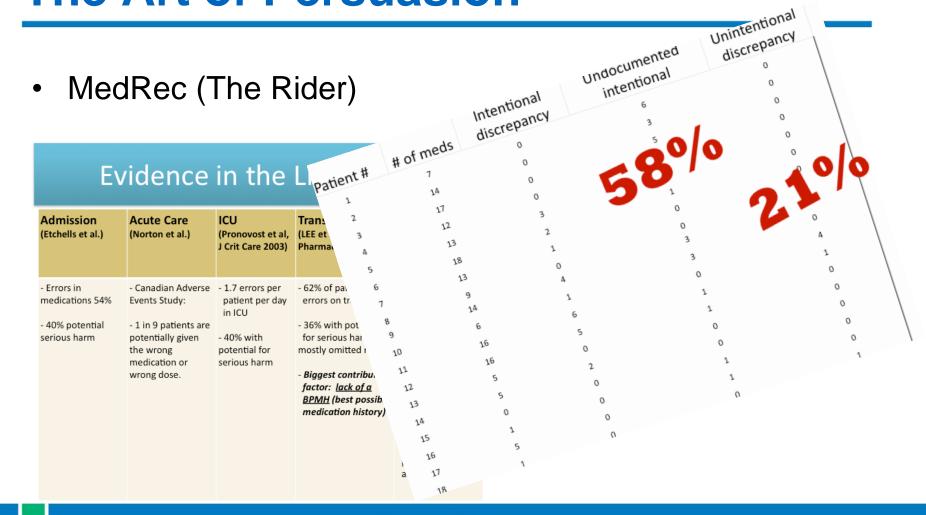


The Elephant and The Rider

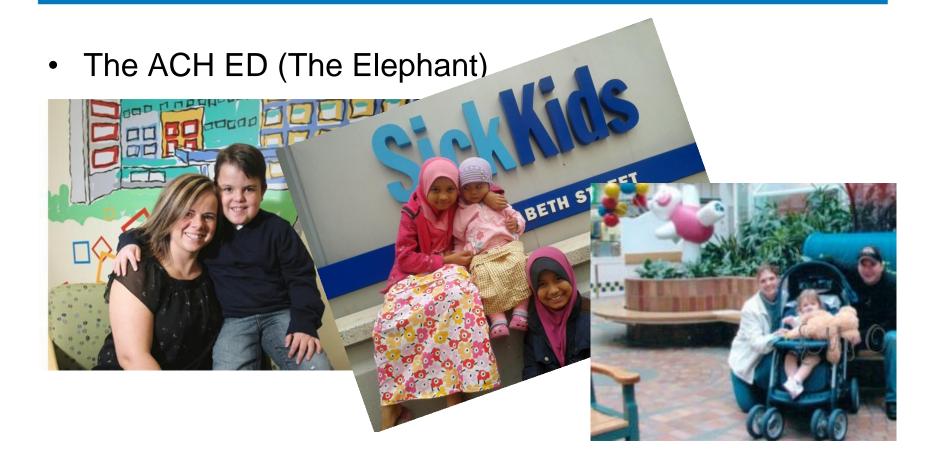










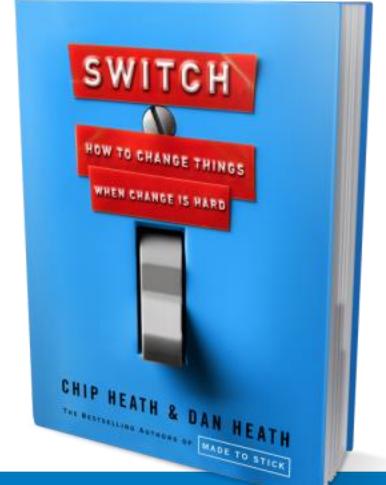




- MedRec
  - (the Elephant)
  - Stories!







http://www.bretlsimmons.com/2013-08/switch-metaphor-of-change/



# **Summary**

- Use a method (IHI, LEAN, AIW)
- Clearly state the problem (the elevator speech)
- Build a complimentary team (top-down, bottom-up)
- Your team needs to own it, understand it and connect with it