Policy to Provide Transition Education for Patients and Providers

Date Effective: MM/DD/YYYY
Type of Policy: Please indicate if this document is hospital policy or ACHD program policy/clinical guideline.

Purpose
Indicate why this policy is in place and the population it benefits. Please reference how transition education assists in self-care management for ACHD patients.

Policy Statement
State the actual policy to provide transition education for patients and providers. This statement can be a brief overview of the policy, but please reference when this transition education begins for ACHD patients (i.e. adolescence or earlier).

Procedures
Describe the transition education policy in detail. Please include information related to:
- The exact age that transition education begins for ACHD patients.
- Any transition readiness assessment tools that your institution utilizes
- Process for initiating transition education
- Personnel involved in the transition education process
- Specific topics and materials included in the transition education and how the education is distributed (hand-outs vs. online)
- Methods to track transition progress for ACHD patients

References
If applicable, please list any articles or other resources utilized to develop your institution’s policy to provide transition education for patients and providers.

Required Signatures
This document requires signatures from specific personnel. Please note that we require signatures from ALL of the individuals listed below in order for the document to be valid:
- Medical Program Director of ACHD
- Transition Nurse Coordinator
- Chief of Pediatric Cardiology

Helpful Tips
If you would like, please upload any additional documentation or examples of your transition education materials provided to patients and providers to the additional files section of K Transitional Services. It is not a requirement. Please save the document with K1 in the title so that we know which policy/procedure the uploaded document references.