

«G. Papanikolaou» S.G.H
Considerations in the implementation of PATH



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Performance Assessment Tool of Quality Improvement in Hospitals

PATH

- ☞ a performance assessment system designed by the WHO to support hospitals in defining quality improvement strategies, questioning their own results and translating them into actions for improvement
- ☞ was initiated by the WHO Regional Office for Europe in 2003
- ☞ takes a comprehensive view of hospital performance, which makes it a unique internal tool for strategic decision making in hospital governance
- ☞ clearly supports hospitals that are in the early stages of performance assessment and helps them prepare for the future
- ☞ aims at building synergies and bringing together the different aspects of performance in a single measurement system
- ☞ is not only about performance measurement; it encourages a continuous learning and evaluation process in hospitals through the establishment of an active network



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☞ was developed by the **WHO Regional Office for Europe** to support hospitals in collecting data on their performance, identifying how they are doing in comparison to their peer group and initiating quality improvement activities

☞ is designed for **internal use** and **on voluntary basis only** - it is not meant to be used for external reporting, accreditation or restructuring purposes

<http://www.euro.who.int/document/e78873.pdf>

December 2006

G. Papanikolaou Hospital



Adress: Papanikolaou Ane, Exohi, Thessaloniki, Greece

Building site: Campus

Description: Puplic general hospital offering residency training

Services: Medical, Nursing, Administrative

No of beds: 600

PATH Coordinator: A. Trikoupi & Th. Asteri, Anaesthetist

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Indicators

Efficiency

- ☞ Operating theater performance
- ☞ Length of stay

Clinical effectiveness & safety

- ☞ AMI pts prescribed aspirin at discharge

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Indicator: Operating theater performance

Scientific responsible: Anaesthetist

Dr E. Dalabini & M. Bareka

Team work: Anesthesiology nurse staff

Data collection: PATH form

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Indicator: Length of stay ???



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Indicator: AMI pts prescribed aspirin at discharge

Scientific responsible: Cardiologist

Dr I. Zarifis

Team work: Trainee Cardiologist

Dr E. Bourni & E. Trifonidou

Data collection: PATH form

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☞ *Commission*

hospital infection

☞ *Staff orientation*

voluntary participation

☞ *Efficiency*

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One month latter :

- ☞ Lack of modern electronic infrastructure
- ☞ Lack of communication
electronic and physical
- ☞ Digital illiteracy

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«Capturing data via queries, by using open
source software»

Fountoukidis Ioannis, Toufas Kostas

PATH Coordinators

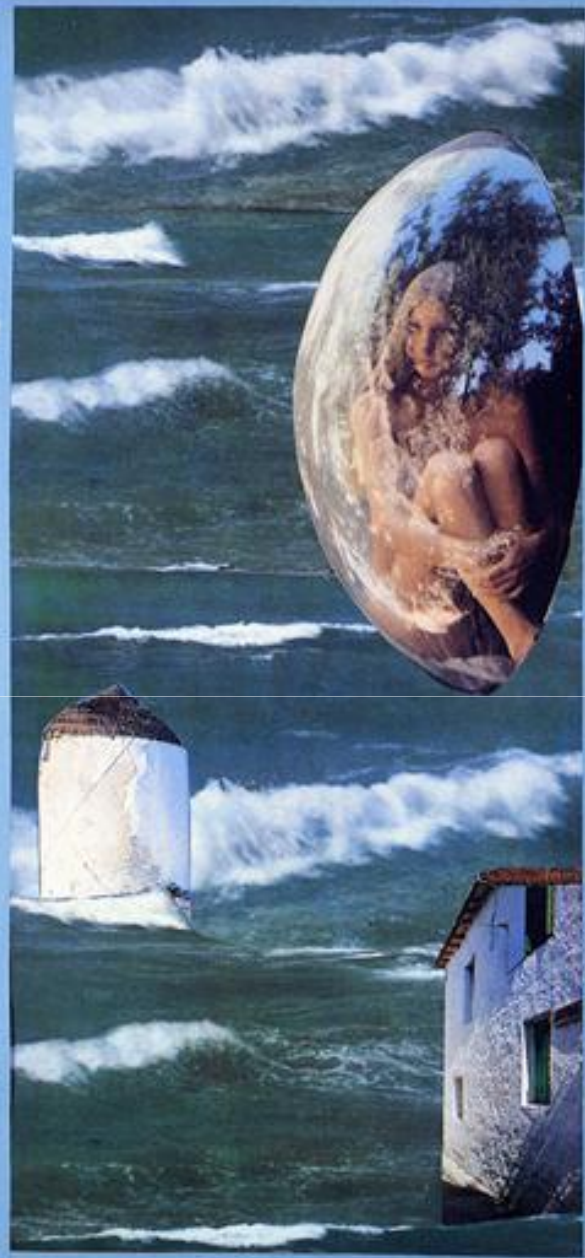
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In conclusion :

To assist health

- 👉 evidence based and target methods
- 👉 support to quality improvement strategies
- 👉 responsive governance



"... A human person is a life
lived according to a human
plan"

*J. Royce: The Philosophy of Loyalty, Lecture
IV,
sec 4 New York, Macmillan 1908*