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	Evidence-based Practice S: Locate evidence reports related to clinical practice topics and guidelines	Demonstrate use of evidence-based screenings in a mental health assessment	View patient-completed screenings and ask follow-up questions Administer additional screenings and document results in the EHR Incorporate results in an SBAR handoff	Patient completed GAD-7	Patient completed PHQ-9	Administer a CAGE assessment	Patient completed PHQ-9 and PCL-5.	Recognize risk for dyskinesias with antipsychotics; perform an AIMS assessment	Administer MDQ assessment and Ask Suicide-Scre ening Questions (ASQ) assessment
	Patient Centered Care K: Examine common barriers to achieve involvement of patients in their own health care processes.	Apply therapeutic communication techniques in care practices with patients experiencing common psychiatric symptoms and practice mental health focused education	Educate the patient in areas of low health literacy and about available resources for self-care Use empathetic, nonjudgmental communication to establish rapport	Education on symptoms of anxiety and panic.	Education on aging and symptoms of depression	Education on signs of alcohol abuse	Education on smoking cessation	Education on smoking cessation	Education on symptoms common with hypomanic state including lack of sleep.
	Patient Centered Care S: Initiate effective treatments to relieve pain and suffering in light of patient values, preferences and expressed needs. Teamwork & Collaboration S: Follow communication practices that minimize risks associated with handoffs among providers and across transitions in care.	Analyze the needs of mental health patients and families for health care services, including implications for health policy, financing, and service availability	Complete an SBAR hand-off that considers referrals such as targeted medical care or ancillary services (PT, nutrition, OT, social services)	Recommend ation for outpatient therapy	Recommendatio n for outpatient therapy	Recommendati on for outpatient alcohol treatment	Recommend ation for outpatient therapy	Recommendation for outpatient therapy	Recommend ation for outpatient therapy