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Comments

Thank you for this long overdue initiative! My major concern is the length of the core questionnaire. I may be very difficult to get cooperation from understaffed health care workers because of the time commitment to complete the entire form. You may achieve a higher yield if the core document were administered in smaller chunks, such as demographics, safety climate, psychological strain profile, violence assessment, etc.

One minor comment: While most nurses still use the term universal precautions, it is being gradually phased-out in favor of the term standard precautions. I would use both terms to avoid confusion.