

Program Evaluation of MOVIN® in a Rural Hospital Setting

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Agenda

- Background, significance, and MOVIN®
- Overview of an outcome-based program evaluation
- Mobility program implementation strategies and recommendations
- Summary

Background and Significance

Mobility's Importance

- Historically treats
 - "Affections of the mind" (Stout, 1887, p. 89)
 - Chronic rheumatism (Fuller, 1860)
- Decreased risk of numerous disease processes (CDC, 2022)



The Problem

- Mobility orders most frequently omitted (Cimen & Aslan, 2021)
- Older adults at high risk for functional decline after discharge (Naseri et al., 2020)
- Many not physically prepared for community ambulation at discharge (Snowdon et al., 2021)

Mobilizing Older adults Via a system-based Intervention (MOVIN®)



Psychomotor Skills

- Staff education
- PT orders & ambulation expectations



Resources

- EMR recording
- Orders & Goals sheet
- **Ambulation aide**



Communication

- Regular meetings with MOVIN® & staff
- Informational sheet



Equipment

- Measuring wheel
- Various ambulatory equipment



Unit Culture

- Unit-level launch team
- Unit goals

The Research

Purpose

**Organizational
concern for
readiness for patient
discharge**

MOVIN[®]

“In hospitalized adult patients in a Midwestern rural critical access acute care setting, how effective and efficient is MOVIN[®]?”

increased
independence with
ambulation

- Discharges to lower
levels of care

worsened discharge
disposition, and
decreased
independence (Caba et
al., 2022)

Literature Review: Themes

Mobility Program

Hospital Length of Stay

- 4 report statically significant ↓ in LOS (Falkenstein et al., 2020; Dewitt et al., 2019; Schaller et al., 2016; Wahab et al., 2016)
- 2 report ↑ LOS w/o stational significance (Fraser et al., 2015; Hamilton et al., 2019)

ICU Length of Stay

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- 1 reports ↓ LOS w/o statistical significance (Fraser et al., 2019)

Discharge Disposition

- 3 articles report statically significant ↑ in # of pts discharging home (Fraser et al., 2015; Schaller et al., 2016; Thiolliere et al., 2022; Workman et al., 2020)
- 1 reports ↑ but w/o stational significance (Thiolliere et al., 2022)

Theoretical Framework: Nursing Need Theory

Virginia Hendersen & Gladys Nite
(1978) in *Principles and Practice of
Nursing*

14 components of basic nursing care

Focus: movement and proper
body mechanics

Theory Goal:

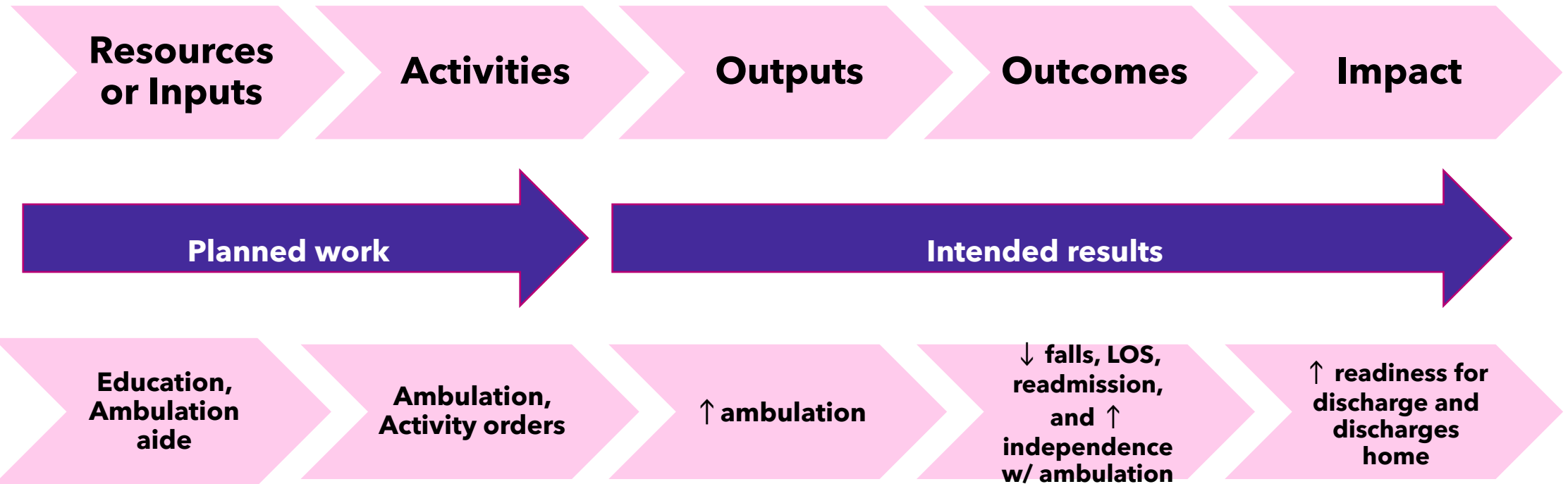
Regain lost independence in one,
some, or all of the 14 components

(Hendersen & Nite, 1978)



(Dzubak, 2021)

Theoretical Framework: Logic Model



Methodology: Design & Sample

Design & Variables

- Outcomes-based program evaluation
- Compared summer prior to MOVIN[®]'s implementation to summer after
 - June - Aug 2022 & June - Aug 2023
- Demographics:
 - Age, gender, admitting status, and diagnosis
- Variables:
 - Length of stay, readmission rates, fall rates, ambulation distance, assistance required with ambulation, discharge level of care

Sample, Sampling, & Recruitment

- Convenience sample
- Exclusion criteria:
 - Under 18 years, chair or bedbound, expired or expected
- Historical census average 70/month
- Expected attrition
 - Leaving AMA
 - Unexpected expiration
 - Documentation errors/omissions
- No power analysis nor consent

Note. AMA = against medical advice

Methodology: Data Collection

Collection Methods

- Manual retrospective data collection from EMR



(StAdobeStock, n.d.)

Data Analysis

- Length of stay & ambulation distance
 - Numerical collection
 - M , SD , & non-paired 2-tailed t -testing
- Fall & readmission rates
 - Yes or no collection
 - Compared by percentages
- Assistance required with ambulation & discharge level of care
 - Coded
 - Compared by percentages

Results: D

Table 1

Table 3

Demographics: 2022 A
Demographics: Adm

Categorized Admitting Dx	2022	2023
Respiratory	37 (16.52%)	45 (19.48%)
Gastrointestinal	32 (14.29%)	59 (25.54%)
Cardiac	26 (11.61%)	24 (10.39%)
Neurologic	23 (10.27%)	7 (3.03%)
Musculoskeletal	23 (10.27%)	11 (4.76%)
Surgical	23 (10.27%)	15 (6.49%)
Sepsis	17 (7.59%)	14 (6.06%)
Electrolyte Imbalance	15 (6.70%)	10 (4.33%)
Pain	11 (4.91%)	8 (3.46%)
Genitourinary	9 (4.02%)	8 (3.46%)
Weakness/Falls/Vertigo	7 (3.13% %)	12 (5.19%)
Endocrine	7 (2.69%)	5 (2.12%)
Integumentary	6 (2.69%)	9 (3.90%)
Syncope	5 (2.23%)	2 (0.87%)
Gynecologic	2 (0.89%)	0 (0%)
Cancer-related	1 (0.45%)	7 (3.03%)
Other	9 (4.02%)	20 (8.66%)

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Number (%)

Observation

Medical Inpatient

Swing Bed

Note. Observation = expect

- expected to stay more than

- midnights in the hospital.

Female 130 (56.28%)

Total 231 (100%)

Note. Admitting diagnoses do not equal 100% as diagnoses occasionally fit into more than one

Note. M = mean; SD = standard deviation

category.

Results: Variables

Length of Stay & Ambulation Distance

- LOS decreased from an average 3.28 (SD = 3.67) days in 2022 to average 2.62 (SD = 2.18) days in 2023
- (**$p = .02$**)

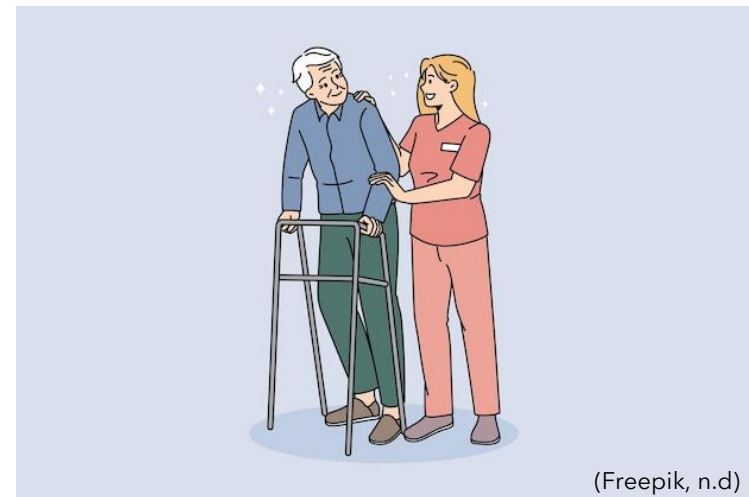
Table 5

Distance Ambulated 2022 and 2023

	Total	Mean (SD)	<i>p</i> -value
2022	256,221 ft	1,143.84 ft (2,659.1)	.35
2023	328,576 ft	1,422.41 ft (3,597.97)	.35

Readmission and Fall Rates

- Readmission rates decreased by .69%
- No change in fall rates
 - No falls



(Freepik, n.d)

Note. LOS = Length of stay.

Results: Variables

Assistance Required with Ambulation

Table 7

Patients' Change in Ambulation Assistance Requirements: 2022 and 2023
Ambulation Assistance Required Between Admission and Discharge

	2022		2023	
	2022 Admit	2022 Discharge	2023 Admit	2023 Discharge
Independent	26 (11.61%)	69 (30.80%)	45 (19.48%)	92 (39.83%)
Standby Assist	92 (41.07%)	92 (41.07%)	90 (39%)	84 (36.36%)
1-Person Assist	65 (29.02%)	56 (25%)	57 (24.68%)	45 (19.48%)
2-Person Assist	32 (14.29%)	6 (2.68%)	24 (10.39%)	8 (3.46%)
Non-ambulatory	9 (4.02%)	1 (0.45%)	13 (5.63%)	0 (0%)
2 levels higher on discharge		0 (0%)		0 (0%)
3 levels higher on discharge		0 (0%)		0 (0%)

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Results: Variables

Level of Care Required on Admit versus on Discharge

Table 8

Admission versus Discharge Level of Care: 2022 and 2023

Table 9

Individuals' Difference Between Admission and Discharge Level of Care: 2022 and 2023

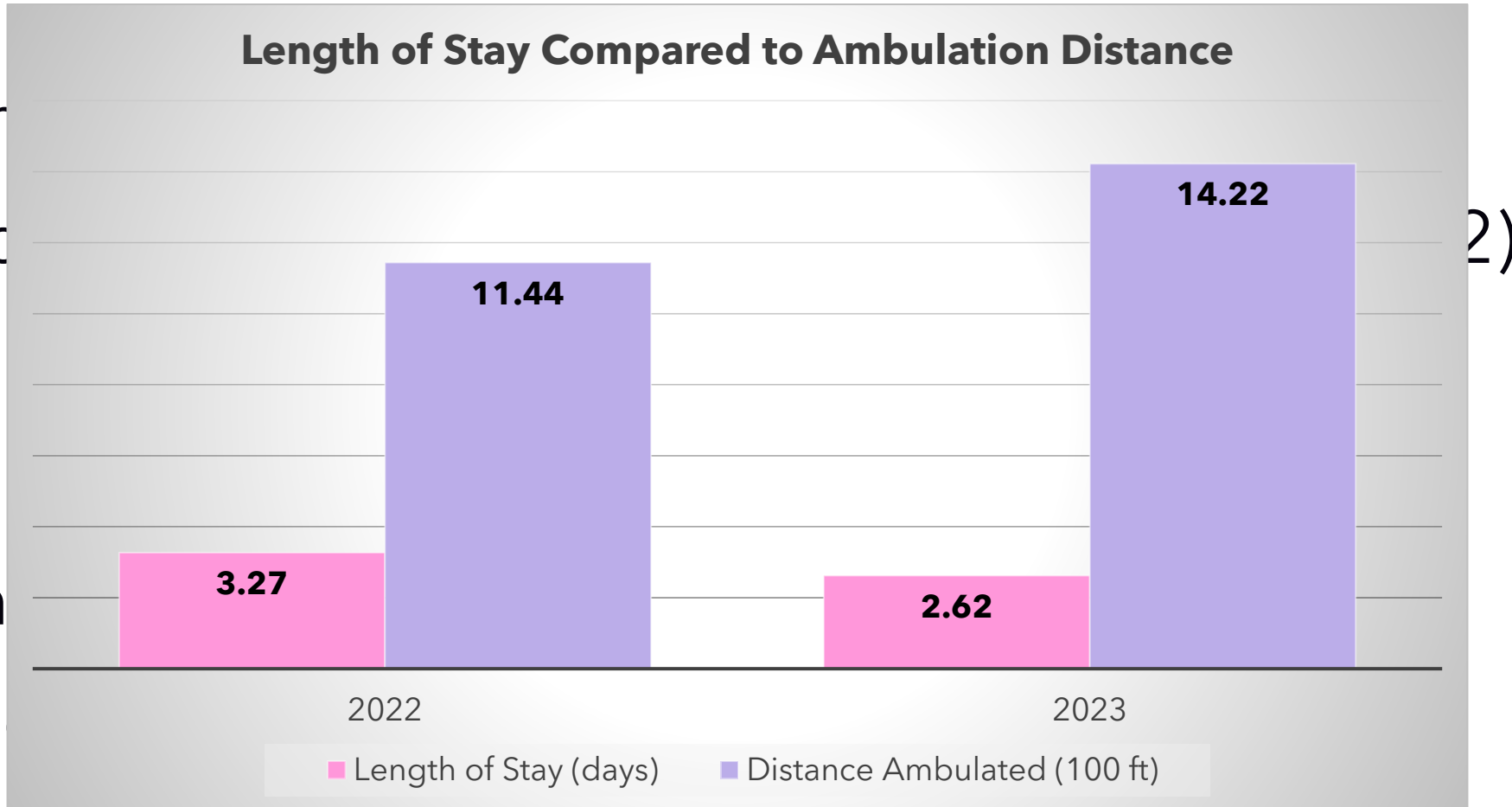
		2022	2023
Home	D/C to same location as admission	40 (17.86%)	41 (17.75%)
Assisted	D/C to 1 level of care higher	130 (58.04%)	131 (56.71%)
Skilled N	D/C to 2 levels of care higher	64 (28.57%)	71 (30.74%)
Other Hc	D/C to 3 levels of care higher	41 (18.30%)	44 (19.05%)
Left AM	D/C to 1 level of care lower	0 (0%)	1 (0.43%)
	D/C to 2 levels of care lower	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
	D/C to 3 levels of care lower	1 (0.45%)	2 (0.87%)



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Discussion: Interpretation

- Adm
- Dec
- Min
- No



Note. LOS = length of stay; M = mean.

Discussion: Interpretation

Assistance Required with Ambulation

- 9.0% increase in patients unable to ambulate in hospital and at discharge
- Little difference in the percentage of patients who were admitted to the hospital and left the hospital requiring the same level of assistance

Physical Decline

Level of Care between Admission and Discharge

- 2.82% increase in SNF
- 5.12% decrease in SNF
- Little difference in use of SNF at discharge

Progressive Ambulation

Patient Baseline

Note. SNF = skilled nursing facility

Discussion

Implications

- Importance of mobility
- Decreased length of stay
- Adding a mobile program/ambulance should be considered by hospitals to improve patient

Hospital spent: \$8,400

Limitations

- Single institution = not

**But what does that mean financially?
In 3 Months:**

- No additional side on
-

Community saved: \$273,000

Sustainability

- Cost-effective
- Weekend coverage
- Equipment is reusable
- Quality and Patient Safety Award

Overall decreased in financial healthcare burden: \$264,600

The Implementation

Assessment of Unit Specific Needs

Additional FTE vs Duty Reassignment

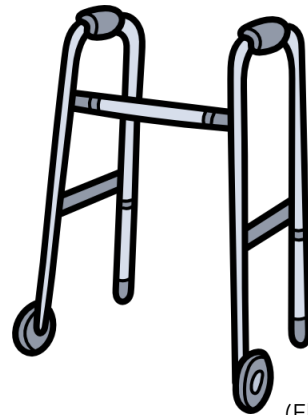
- Unit Ambulation Needs
- 1.0 FTE Mobility Aid
- Evaluation of Employee Roles



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Equipment

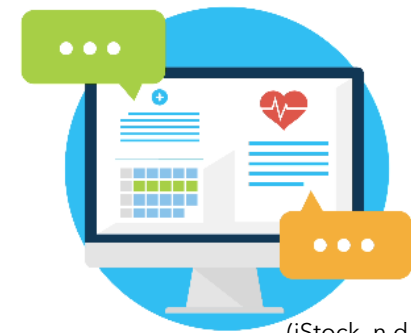
- Assistive Devices
- Communication Tools



(Flaticon, n.d.)

Distance Tracking

- Badge Card
- Ambulation Wheel
- EMR Reports
- Visual for Staff and Patients



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Key Stakeholders

Leadership Team

- Acute Care Director
- Acute Care Coordinator
- WHA Quality Director

Team Members

- Physical Therapy Coordinator
- Inpatient Physical Therapist
- Lead Registered Nurse
- Ambulation Aid
- Tomah Health Quality Director



(Li-Sauerwine, 2019)



(Altmann, 2020))



(MOVIN®, 2023)

Process of Implementation

- Phase One
 - Establish Timeline
 - Collaborate with Physical Therapy for Psychomotor Skills Training
 - Ambulation Aid
 - Communication Tools
 - Ambulation Pathways
 - Educate Unit on MOVIN
 - Plan for Kick-Off
- Phase Two
 - Begin Data Collection
 - Review Purpose of MOVIN with Staff
 - Ambulation Aid Prioritization
 - Set Unit Goals
 - Share Ambulation Activity Data with Staff
 - Continue Psychomotor Training with Staff
 - COMMUNICATION

Culture of Progressive Ambulation

- Communication and Education
- Overcome Struggles
- Normalize Ambulation for Patients
- Celebrate and Acknowledge Staff for Meeting Goals
- Make it Fun



(Carlson, 2017)

Summary and Key Takeaways

Summary

The Research

- Statically significant decrease in LOS
- Clinically significant increase in ambulation distance
- Minimal improvements in readmission rates
- More research needed on relation to fall rates
- More research needed on halting decline/decompensation

The Practical Implementation

- Assessment of unit
- Assemble team
- Phases of implementation
- Culture of ambulation
- Sharing success

Lessons Learned

- Add additional FTE for a CNA to function as ambulation aide
- Form strong interdisciplinary bonds with physical therapy team
- Implement 7 days weekly
- Education available for patients
- Identify barriers to mobility prior to implementation
- Create and promote unit culture of progressive ambulation
- Importance of family/caregiver involvement

Ask the Ambulation Aide

- What does a typical shift look like for you?
- How do you encourage patients who refuse ambulation?



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