Preventive Ethics ISSUES Log

Directions: The purpose of the ISSUES Log is to keep a current and updated list of ethics issues that are appropriate for the ISSUES approach.

Date First Discussed	Referral Source	Ethics Issue	Ethical Concern? (Y/N)	Ethics Domain*	Ethics Quality Gap? (Y/N)	Ethics Quality Gap**	Preliminary Improvement Goal	Working Title	Date ISSUES Cycle initiated/ Date referred

* Ethics Domains:

1. Shared decision making with patients (how well the facility promotes collaborative decision making between clinicians and patients)
2. Ethical practices in end-of-life care (how well the facility addresses ethical aspects of caring for patients near the end of life)
3. Patient privacy and confidentiality (how well the facility assures that patient privacy and confidentiality are protected)
4. Professionalism in patient care (how well the facility fosters employee behavior that reflects professional standards)
5. Ethical practices in resource allocation (how well the facility ensures fairness in the way it allocates its resources across programs, services, and patients)
6. Ethical practices in business management (how well the facility promotes high ethical standards in its business and management practices)
7. Ethical practices in government service (how well the facility fosters behavior appropriate for government employees)
8. Ethical practices in research (how well the facility ensures that its employees follow ethical standards that apply to research practices)
9. Ethical practices in the everyday workplace (how well the facility supports ethical behavior in everyday interactions in the workplace

Some ethics issues relate to how well the facility ensures that the IntegratedEthics program meets its goals. For these issues, enter "IE" as the ethics domain.

** Ethics Quality Gaps:

1. There is a pattern of similar cases that raise ethics concerns
2. Health care practices deviate from accepted ethical standards
3. Guidance regarding ethical health care practices is inconsistent or unclear
4. There is a lack of knowledge about ethical health care practices
5. Systems or processes systematically undermine ethical practices
6. Systems or processes designed to promote ethical practices are not functioning well
7. The organization is otherwise failing to promote ethical health care practices