

# **Presentation Objective**

- Provide an organizational overview of the focus organization
- Conduct an environmental analysis:
- SWOT and PEST analysis
- Provide an organizational directive
- Conduct a gap analysis
- Develop a leadership plan and propose evidence-based team leadership strategies to close the gap and motivate team members



# Organizational overview

- The organization of focus is St. Vincent Medical Center (SVMC)
- A catholic medical facility in Bridgeport, Connecticut
- A 437-bed capacity
- 1800 employees and 450 physicians
- Offers orthopedic, bariatric, reproductive health, oncology, and angioplasty services

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#### SVMC SWOT Analysis

#### Strengths

- The institution has a good reputation and is preferred by most patients due to good patient outcomes
- The institution partners with other institutions, such as learning institutions (including New York Medical College), pharmaceuticals, and insurance agencies
- Institution location- located in a metropolitan area hence accessible to a majority of the community members
  - The institution offers diverse healthcare services, widening its catchment population/customer base
  - The institution has employed advanced technological resources in this age of technology

### Weaknesses

- Inadequate staffing- care providers work overload and risk poor care quality outcomes
- Resistance to change- cultural flaws
- Inadequate funding in the facility
- Hierarchical leadership strategy

### **Opportunities**

- Community demographics- many customers in the region
- Services promotion opportunities available
- Favorable policies allowing resource gathering through grants (from the government) and charity
- Favorable healthcare insurance policies such as the Affordable Care Act Medicaid expansion

### Threats

- Rising patient unemployment ratespatients are unable to raise premiums or pay for healthcare services
- High uninsured rates
- High overhead costs
- Competition from established public institutions

# Pest analysis

• **Political factors:** the institution operates in a politically favorable environment with policies and regulations promoting its services. Occasionally receives government funding.

• Economic factors: high unemployment rates for patients, the overall economic environment is favorable, with patients having average income levels. Economic disparities affecting patients' payment ability

• Social factors: high demographics, increasing the need for healthcare services. Patient expectations are affected by changing social trends. Lifestyle changes affecting the healthcare service types demanded

• **Technological factors:** rapid technological change is affecting the institution's ability to provide appropriate care. Institution requires robust data security and privacy mechanisms for health records protection. Healthcare technology regulations and policies

# Organizational directive

- The financial targets identified are;
- Revenue growth target
- Contain costs while maintaining high-quality of care
- Patient satisfaction in relation to financial conduct
- The targets' performance indicators and measurements are:
- Revenue growth- the revenue growth rate and income streams, measured by comparing the revenue within a period

Cost containment- operating expenses vs. revenue, measured by the percentage of operating expense relative to revenue

Patient satisfaction-indicated by patient satisfaction scores and retention rates, measured by patient satisfaction survey analysis, and rate of patients retained

## Gap analysis

- A gap analysis of the financial targets versus goal attainment was conducted
- Gap analysis enables the department to identify the variance between the target and the actual performance (Hanson et al., 2022)
- The gap analysis from the identified financial targets and the actual performance identified the following variances:
- Reduced revenue growth
- Increased operating costs against revenue
- Poor patient satisfaction scores and patient retention



## **Observations and Insights from the Gap Analysis**

- The observations made from conducting the gap analysis in the department include;
- The reduced revenue growth is due to a reduction in revenue streams in the department
- The high rate of lack of insurance has led to an increase in operating costs
- Poor patient satisfaction is leading to low retention and referrals
- Financial gaps may be influenced by internal or external environmental factors (Chen et al., 2020)

• These gaps in financial analysis have been highly influenced by environmental factors, which include the social and economic external factors

# Leadership plan to Close Financial Gap

- The leadership plan aimed at closing the financial gap will follow the following steps
- Team formation
- Objectives setting
- Identifying inefficiencies leading to the financial gap
- Developing action strategies
- Roles assigning and timeline setting
- Monitoring, communication, and evaluation (Parast & Golmohammadi, 2019)

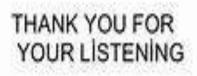
# Leadership plan (cont.) Evidence-Based Leadership Approach/Strategies

- A leadership style impacts strategy implementation
- A collaborative leadership approach will be used to motivate team members in the department to achieve the financial goals
- Collaborative leadership focuses on working together, sharing responsibilities, and using collective expertise to address an issue (De Brún et al., 2019)
- Leadership strategies to motivate the team include shared decision-making, open communication, shared accountability and continuous learning (Shanafelt et al., 2021)
- Other strategies include change management, recognition and rewards, and leading by example (Schneller et al., 2023)
- The approach and strategies are most appropriate for addressing the financial gaps in the department since different professionals are required to work together.

## Conclusion



- The financial targets in the department include revenue growth, cost containment, and patient satisfaction
- The gap was identified and supported by the environmental analysis
- The collaborative leadership approach is best in addressing the gap
- The evidence-based leadership strategies identified above are vital in motivating the team



### DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS?

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