Abbreviation Description

AACN American Association Critical Care Nurses

ACE Annual Compliance Education

ACES Assisting Colleagues with Ethical Situations
ACNL Association of California Nurse Leaders

ACO Accountable Care Organization
AD Associate Degree-Nursing
AHP Allied Health Professional

AHRQ Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

AIM Accelerated Improvement Method
ANA American Nurses Association
AONE Association of Nurse Executives
AORN Association Operating Room Nurses

APIC Association for Professionals in Infection Control

APN Advanced Practice Nurse

APRN Advanced Practice Registered Nurse

ASPAN American Society of Peri Anesthesia Nursing

AV Arterial Venous

AVA Association Vascular Access

AWHONN Association of Women Health Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses

AWS Alternative Work Schedules
BFHI Baby Friendly Hospital Initiative
BHS Behavioral Health Unit/Services
BKAT Basic Knowledge Assessment Test
BMV Barcode Medication Verification
BSN Bachelors Science-Nursing
CABG Coronary Artery Bypass Grafting

Cal/OSHA California Department of Occupational Safety and Health Administration

CAUTI Catheter Associated Urinary Tract Infections

CBO Competency Based Orientation

CC Critical Care

CCI Competency and Credentialing Institute
CCPT Center for Cancer Prevention and Treatment

CDC Center of Disease Control
CDM Care Delivery Model

CDPH California Department Public Health

CEO Chief Executive Officer
CET Clinical Excellence Team
CETs Clinical Excellence Teams
CFO Chief Financial Officer
CHG Chlorhexidine Gluconate

CHOC Children's Hospital Orange County, Children's

CIS Clinical Information Systems

CISM Critical Incident Stress Management

CITI Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative

CLABSI Central Line Associated Blood Stream Infections

CMFH Center for Maternal Fetal Health

CMS Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

CNO Chief Nursing Officer
COO Chief Operating Officer

CPAP Continuous Positive Airway Pressure

CPC Clinical Practice Council

CPOE Computerized Physician Order Entry

CRM Crew Resource Management

CSUF California State University Fullerton

CV Cardiovascular

CVAD Central Vascular Access Device
CVIL Cardiovascular Interventional Lab
CVSSU Cardiovascular Short Stay Unit

D2B Door to Bed

DAIP Device Associated Infection Prevention

DIP Diploma - Nursing
DPC Design for Perfect Care
DRT Diabetic Resource Team
DSU Definitive Step Down Unit
EAP Employee Assistance Program

EAIP Environmental Associated Infection Prevention

EBC Evidence Based Care
EBP Evidenced Based Practice
ECC Emergency Care Center

ECCO Essentials of Critical Care Orientation
ECDU Emergency Clinical Decision Unit

ECG Electrocardiogram

EFM Electronic Fetal Monitoring
EHR Electronic Health Record

eMAR Electronic Medication Administration Record

EMR Electronic Medical Record
EMS Emergency Medical Services

EMSOC Emergency Medicine Specialists of Orange County

EMT Executive Management Team
ENA Emergency Nurses Association

ENMO Essentials Nurse Manager Orientation

ERD Ethical Religious Directives
ESI Emergency Severity Indexing
ESRD End Stage Renal Disease
EVD Ebola Virus Disease

FDA Food Drug Administration

FHR Fetal Heart Rate
FTE Full Time Equivalents
GRV Gastric Residual Volume
HAI Hospital Acquired Infection

HAPU Hospital Acquired Pressure Ulcers

HCAHPS Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems

HEART Homeless, Engagement, Assistance, Resource Team

HIPPA Health Information Protection Policies
HSAG Health Services Advisory Group

INS Infusion Nurses Society

IPC Intermittent Pneumatic Compression / Interdisciplinary Practice Committee

IPCET Infection Prevention Clinical Excellence Team

IPs Infection Preventionists

IIPP Injury Illness and Prevention Program

IR Interventional Radiology
IRB Institutional Review Board
IRS Incident Reporting System

L & D Labor and Delivery

LMS Learning Management System

LTC Long Term Catheter
LWBS Left Without Being Seen

MAB Management of Assaultive Behavior
MAR Medication Administration Record
MBAC Mother Baby Assessment Center

MBU Mother Baby Unit

MET Medical Emergency Team MHA Mental Health Association

MLC Midline Catheter

MSN Masters Science-Nursing NAC Nurse Advisory Council

NDNQI National Database of Nursing Quality Indicators

NEC Nursing Executive Council

NHSN National Healthcare Society Network

NICU Neonatal Intensive Care Unit

NIHSS National Institute Health Stroke Scale

NLT Nursing Leadership Team

NP Nurse Practitioner

NPSG National Patient Safety Goals

NPUAP National Pressure Ulcer Advisory Panel

NRC Nursing Research Council
NRD Nursing Research Department

NSQIP National Surgery Quality Improvement Program

NVS Newest Vital Sign

OPD Orange Police Department

OPO Organ Procurement Organization

OR Operating Room

OSHA Occupational Safety Health Administration

OSHPD Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development

P & I Prevalence and Incidence
PRBC Packed Red Blood Cells
PACU Post Anesthesia Care Unit

PATS Pre-Assessment Testing Services

PCC Perinatal Comfort Care

PCS Patient Care System
PFA Patient Family Advisor

PhD Doctor of Philosophy in Nursing
Pl Performance Improvement
Pls Principle Investigators

PICC Peripherally Inserted Central Catheter

PPE Personal Protective Equipment
PPM Professional Practice Model

PRC Professional Research Consultants
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PTO Paid Time Off

QIO Quality Improvement Organization
RAC Resource Allocation Committee

RADIT Rapid Assessment and Discharge in Triage

RCA Root Cause Analysis

RCAT Root Cause Analysis Team

RF Radio Frequency

RFO Retained Foreign Objects
RIE Rapid Improvement Event
RIF Reduction in Work Force

SBAR Situation Background Assessment Response

SCIP Surgical Care Infection Prevention
SDTI Suspected Deep Tissue Injury

SGC Surgery Center

SICU Surgical Intensive Care Unit

SJH St. Joseph Health
SJO St. Joseph Hospital
SLM Self Learn Module
SNF Skilled Nursing Facility

SPHM Safe Patient Handling and Mobility Interprofessional National Standards

SPSS Statical Package for Social Sciences

SSIs Surgical Site Infections
STP Standardized Procedure
STS Society of Thoracic Surgery

SVC Superior Vena Cava
TAPS Turn and Position System
TCS Tip Confirmation System
TJC The Joint Commission
TOE Table of Evidence
UBC Unit Based Council

UCLA University California, Los Angeles
UNICEF United Nations Children's Fund

USF University San Francisco
UTI Urinary Tract Infection
VAD Vascular Access Device

VARK Visual, Auditory, Reading, Kinesthetic

VTE Venous Thrombus Embolism

WHO World Health Organization
WS Women's Services