APPENDIX B PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY WORKLOAD CONCERNS/INDICATORS FOR HOSPITAL SECTOR

STAFFING	Lack of orientation and/or mentorship		Insufficient/Not Appropriate
Skill mix novice to expert	In-service		Computer/Internet/Technology Issues
Skill mix RN/RPN/UCP	Access to an educator		MEDICATION SYSTEMS/POLICY
Baseline Staffing	Understanding of scope of practice for intra and interdisciplinary team		Access to
Charge nurse role/responsibility/accountability	Model of Care		Administration of
Bed Utilization (over Capacity Protocol)	Meeting requirements for the Excellent Care for All Act (2010)		Dispensing
Skill mix float pool/agency (not trained for area)	Float Pool/Casual Nurses		Pharmacy Related
CNO Code of Conduct, Scope of Practice	Other		Processing Orders
Patient Mix/Acuity Family demands	PHYSICIAN/NP RELATED		Supply Inadequate/Outdated
Scheduling/Vacancies and sick call replacement	Availability/Off hours rounds		Other
Physician Related	Relationships		POLICIES AND PROCEDURES
Ward/Unit Clerk	ENVIRONMENT		Violence in the workplace
Weekend and shift coverage related to baseline staffing	Call bells		Administrative
Workload	Infection control issues/PPE availability		Equipment/Computers
Baseline staffing/Model of Care (Care Teams, Pod Nursing, etc.)	Cleanliness of Area		CNO Standards
Patient Factors	Issues with Construction/Renovation		Admission/Discharge
Unregulated Care Providers (UCP)	Personal safety alarms		Clinical Pathways/Medical Directives
Other	Placement of Patient Inappropriate/Hallway		COMMUNICATION
NON-NURSING FUNCTIONS	Over-capacity/Surge Capacity		Lack of or availability of Leadership & Support including after hours and weekend
Answering phones	Physical Layout		Policies & Procedures
Portering/Maintenance/Housekeeping	Fire Alarm	1	
Visitor Inquiries	Safety for Patient/Staff		Patient Factors/Complexity
Clerical/Scheduling Calling in Staff			Charting/Documentation System
Other	EQUIPMENT & SUPPLIES		Transfer of Accountability
EDUCATION/ORIENTATION	Faulty/ Access to Maintenance		Other
Access to Reference Material	In-service of New Equipment		
Use of Agency Staff	Ongoing education/updates on all equipment		

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