مستشفى فقيـه الجامعي Fakeeh University Hospital By Fakeeh Health

News letter

Patient & Family Advisory Council

Person Centered Care Shaping Care Together

During our Q3 Patient & Family Advisory Council meeting, we explored how **Advanced Care Planning (ACP)** can help patients express their healthcare wishes in advance. The council highlighted the importance of adapting ACP principles in a way that respects

UAE regulations, multicultural values, and diverse religious beliefs.

We also reviewed Planetree's concept of the "Care Partner", a trusted person chosen by the patient to actively support care and communication. Unlike a regular visitor, a care partner is considered part of the care team, offering comfort, clarity, and advocacy for the patient. However, we acknowledged that UAE law currently limits some decision-making roles for care partners. Despite this, hospitals can meaningfully integrate care partners through shared communication, involvement in daily care, and emotional support. We also aligned our discussion with the 2025 World Patient Safety Day theme, reinforcing that patient and family involvement is essential to safer care. Overall, the meeting focused on strengthening patient-centred approaches that honor choice, safety, culture, and compassion.



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Value-based healthcare

At Fakeeh University Hospital we are focusing on what matters most to you as a patient—your health outcomes, comfort, daily functioning, and overall experience. The hospital uses simple questionnaires called PROMs to



understand how you feel, take care of yourself, perform daily activities, manage pain, and cope emotionally. These tools also include condition-specific questions, for example for diabetes, to better understand your unique challenges. Your responses help your care team tailor treatments to your real needs, not just clinical numbers. FUH also uses this information to improve services for all patients and plan better care for the future.

The hospital values transparency and will show patients how their feedback shapes improvements. All information collected is kept strictly confidential. Overall, the goal is to deliver care that is efficient, meaningful, personalized, and truly aligned with improving your quality of life.

Key Highlights Q3 Meeting

- Advanced Care Planning (ACP) allows patients to make decisions in advance about their future healthcare, especially if they are unable to speak for themselves.
- Planetree emphasizes the role of a "Care Partner" a trusted person chosen by the patient to actively participate in care, decision-making, and communication with the healthcare team.
- © Celebration of the World Patient safety Day

To know more about PROMs and Value Based Healthcare