



# Igniting the Fire of Inquiry

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## Background

- The Shared Governance (SG) Research and Evidence-Based Practice Council (REBPC) provides guidance in the evaluation, conduction, and dissemination of nursing research
- REBPC has struggled to maintain the Magnet-status requirement of one completed research study every four years
- With the implementation of 11 strategies, the council has seen immense growth in number of completed studies and IRB applications

## Objective

- The purpose of this study was to identify successful strategies to increase nurses' interest in research, resulting in an increased number of completed research studies and IRB applications for the year of 2018.

## Approach

- A literature review was conducted to identify common barriers to the implementation of nurse-driven research

## Synthesis of Evidence

- Numerous studies identify lack of time, training, and understanding, inability to access research articles, and poor organizational support as key barriers
- Removal of these barriers is not enough to foster a culture of inquiry
- Must have an environment that supports nursing research

## Practice Change

- REBPC implemented 11 strategies that successfully improved nursing research



## Conclusions

- Strategies were implemented in January 2018
- By August 2018:
  - One research study completed
  - Three studies awaiting IRB approval
  - One PICO question being finalized
  - Two PICO questions submitted to council for evaluation

## Implications for Practice

- The 11 strategies implemented successfully increased nursing-related research at the institution
- Nurse empowerment to ask questions and seek answers to provide evidence-based care promotes a culture of safe nursing practice

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