

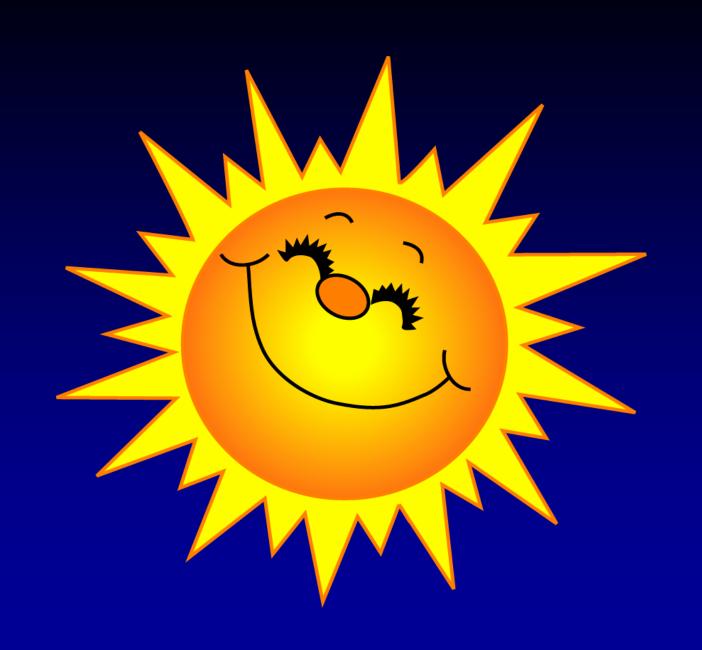
## Service Excellence

**Necessary for a Great Experience** 

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# What is a patient?

- Have you ever been one ?
- Stressful
- Anxiety
- Fear Terror !
- Uncertainty
- Confusion

...And the Family

# Bad Experience

Patient Expectation

Patient Experience

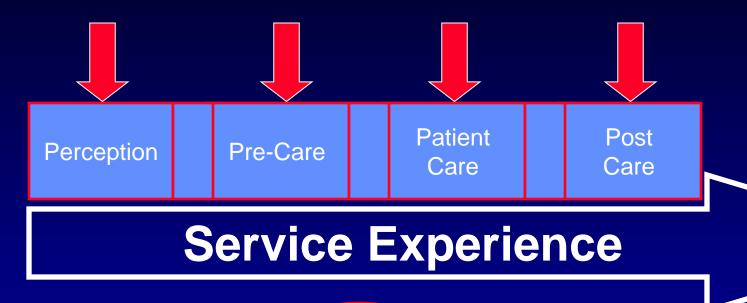
# Good Experience

Patient Expectation

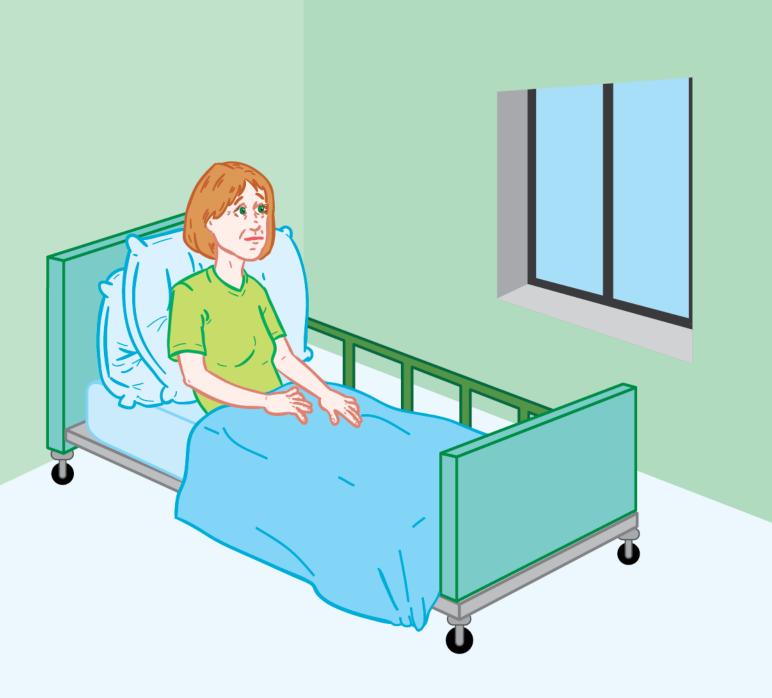
Patient Experience

# "Patients First..."

# Execution







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### **Philosophy**

- Every patient, visitor and caregiver interaction matters – every day, every time
- Caregivers' role is more than just tasks
- Caregivers should be empowered to deliver world-class care
- Caregivers should live the organization's mission and values
- Caregivers create and maintain impressions

"Service excellence is both obtrusive and elusive. We know when we have received it and, rather more frequently, we know when we have not."

-Robert Johnston

"...the ability of the provider to consistently meet and manage patient expectations. Clinical excellence must be the number-one priority for any healthcare system. However, the best healthcare systems combine professional (clinical) service excellence with outstanding personal service."

-Wikipedia



Communicate with HEART

## Making the First Impression



## **Expected Service Behaviors**

- Acknowledge the other person
- Introduce self and role
- Use person's preferred name and greet warmly
- Clearly communicate expectations
- Offer to resolve concerns or forward to the right person
- Use active listening
- Show empathy
- Use common courtesy
- Offer to help

#### S.T.A.R.T. with Heart

- 5 mile and greet warmly (Sir / Ma'am)
- Tell your name, role, what to expect
- A ctive listening / Assist
- R apport / Relationship building (preferred name)
- Thank the person

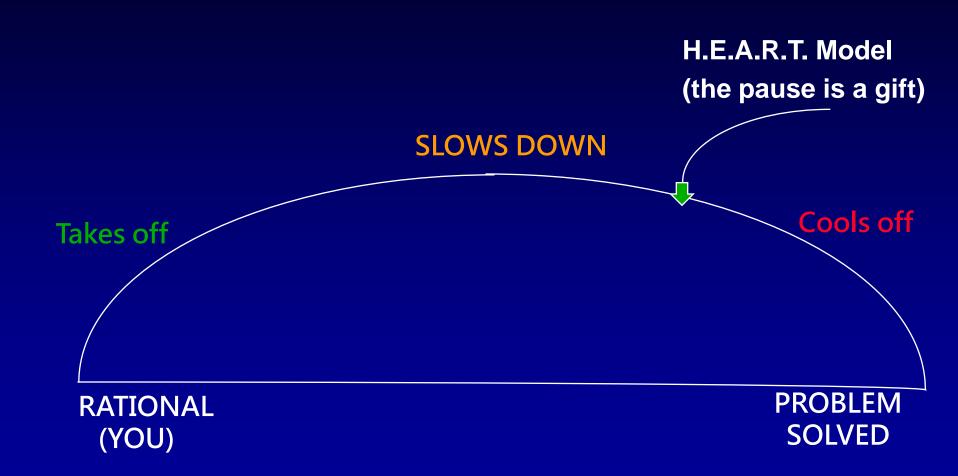
## **Hostility Curve**

Anger typically follows a cycle

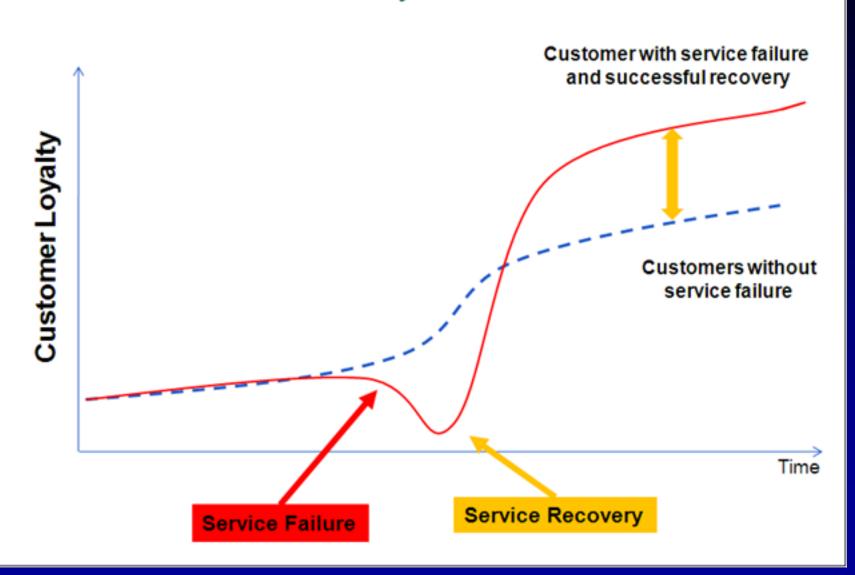


**Don't intervene too soon!** 

## **Hostility Curve - What Works**



#### Recovery Paradoxon



### Respond with H.E.A.R.T.

- H ear the story
- **E** mpathize
- **A** pologize
- R espond
- **T** hank

#### **Communicate with HEART**

**START** 

with Heart

Smile and greet warmly

Tell your name, role, and what to expect

Actively listen / Assist

Rapport building

Thank the person

Respond with

**HEART** 

Hear the story

**E** Empathize

A Apologize

Respond

**7** Thank

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