THE OPPORTUNITY

10 years ago, patient safety was a major problem nationally and in the San Francisco Bay Area (SFBA).

- 100,000 lives lost each year due to medical errors in the U.S.
- High rates of sepsis mortality, ventilator-acquired pneumonia, hospital-acquired infections, and medication errors.
- Zero Magnet® hospitals in the SFBA and greater Sacramento.
- Quality measures below national average.

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OUR LEGACY

Betty’s vision has had national impact through replication, publications, presentations and more, including the creation of a foundation program to eliminate harms for patients and families across the U.S.

- 70% of key projects were replicated elsewhere.

BETTY IRENE MOORE’S VISION

Through her experience as a patient and caregiver, Betty Irene Moore saw the link between patient safety and registered nurses (RNs).

- 95% hospital care provided by RNs.
- Mortality increases by 7% for each additional patient per RN.

Regional focus

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