

# Creating a Standardized Care Plan for patients Undergoing Radical Prostatectomy

## A project

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### CONCLUSIONS

Standardized Care Plans (SCP) are based on recommendations and guide-lines from the Swedish National Board of Health & Welfare and serve as a general plan with definitions of the basal level of care. SCP is a security factor for all nurses working with this group of patients and it leads to improved quality in the care of our patients.

SCP is also a tool for further improvements in the care of patients undergoing radical prostatectomy.

We further hope it will encourage colleagues to develop SCP for patients with other diseases.

### INTRODUCTION

The number of patients undergoing prostatectomy has increased in the last decade and there is a need for improvements in the pre and postoperative care of these patients, including how they should be informed about their current disease and treatment.

This project is in order to optimize the care of patients undergoing radical prostatectomy.

### OBJECTIVES

Our main objective was to develop a high-quality Standardized Care Plane (SCP) for patients undergoing radical prostatectomy for localized prostate cancer.

### MATERIAL AND METHODS

- Regular meetings within our project group
- Participation in a course of evidence based medicine
- Medical records were studied in order to identify the most important content in our SCP
- Review of scientific publication and guidelines

### RESULTS

- Generated SCP for patients undergoing radical prostatectomy
- Quality guarantee
- Similar quality of care for all patients regardless of who nurses
- Security for the newly employed
- Reduction of double documentation
- Reduction of time of documentation