

To: VAMC CLC Providers and Staff

From: Long-Term Care QUERI program

Subject: Feedback Report on Documented Life-Sustaining Treatment Decisions in CLC

Date: March 3, 2020

The following pages present information about the number of completed Life Sustaining Treatment (LST) templates for Veterans at the VAMC CLC.

Please review these charts to encourage reflection on your current practice and how your CLC might increase the number of goals of care conversations (GoCCs) and completed LST order templates.

To better understand the data, please keep in mind these points:

- The report includes data only for Veterans who were newly admitted to your CLC in the last 6 months, month by month
- Data come from the LST template in CPRS. Only templates with all 4 required elements completed were counted
- If a Veteran had more than one LST template completed in a month, only the first template was counted
- Each Veteran was counted only once even if they had multiple stays.

More information about the goals and implementation of the LSTDI, including a step-by-step implementation guide, is available at the following website: <http://vaww.ethics.va.gov/LST.asp>.

If you have any questions about this report, you can contact:

Thank you for your efforts to conduct GoCCs and complete LST templates with Veterans and their families to improve care and the quality of life for our Veterans.

How many total newly admitted Veterans have a completed LST template?

VAMC CLC Aug 2019 – Jan 2020

● Newly admitted Veterans
 ■ Not documented
 ■ Documented



For patients/residents with a completed LST template,
when was the conversation documented?

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8 to 30 days after
 0 to 7 days after
 Before admission

