ABBREVIATIONS

ABG Arterial blood gas

ACLS Advanced cardiac life support
ACS Acute coronary syndrome
ADE Adverse drug event

ARF Acute renal failures
ARR Absolute risk reduction
BLS Basic life support
CAD Coronary artery disease

CAP Community acquired pneumonia

CHF Congestive heart failure
CNS Central nervous system

COPD Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease

CPOE Computer physician order entry

CSF Cerebrospinal fluid
CT Computed tomography
CXR Chest radiograph
DKA Diabetic ketoacidosis

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DVT Deep vein thrombosis
EBM Evidence based medicine

EKG Electrocardiogram

FMEA Failure mode and effects analysis

GI Gastrointestinal

HAP Hospital acquired pneumonia HHS Hyperglycemia hyperosmolar state

ICU Intensive care unit

MRI Magnetic resonance imaging NNT Number needed to treat

NSAIDs Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs

NSTEMI Non-ST-segment elevation myocardial infarction

OTC Over-the-counter drugs

PBLI Practice based learning and improvement

PE Pulmonary embolus
PDI Pneumonia severity index

PORT Pneumonia patient outcomes research team

PDSA Plan Do Study Act
PSI Pneumonia Severity Index
QI Quality Improvement
RCA Root cause analysis
RRR Relative risk reduction
RVU Relative value units

STEMI ST-elevation myocardial infarction

SIRS Systemic Inflammatory Response Syndrome

UTI Urinary tract infection
VTE Venous thromboembolism