

Improved efficiency and safety Drugs Trolley Ward 4

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Abstract

To improve the drugs round process to facilitate improved patient care. Standardisation of ward drugs trolleys to focus on improving patient and staff experience by the end of November 2022.

SMART Aim

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Plan

Using the 5S principles, the team reviewed the agreed standard medication list to understand what items were **necessary** and which were **unnecessary** for their speciality and adapted the list accordingly. The plan was to test the format agreed within the division.

Do

The team utilised the SAU standard drugs trolley format and adapted it to their ward. Drugs were segregated, stored by drug type and alphabetised so that they followed the pharmacy regulations and were easy to find. A drug trolley etiquette was produced and will be placed on the trolley to ensure the team know the standard required to maintain.

Study

Using the 5s achievement grid the team went from level 1 to a level 3 with a target of Level 4 . The Ward Manager will agree with her team roles and responsibilities for maintaining the standard of the trolleys to ensure they are ready to use. This will be added to the day staff duties list.

Act

A review of the standard work will be carried out by the Ward Manager to ensure **sustainability**.

