

# Introducing a falls trolley to ward 8

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## REASON WHY?

Ward 8 aimed to increase their compliance with the falls policy and the number of neurological observations that are taken when patients have a fall that is either unwitnessed or where they have hit their head. These neurological observations can detect potential health problems and therefore prevent serious deterioration.



The overall PSIRF aim for the Trust is to reduce the number of falls with Harm

Ward 8 aimed to increase their compliance with neurological observations to 100%

## PLAN

To introduce a falls trolley which contains everything they need to identify patients at risk as well as the information and equipment needed to complete neurological observations. This was done at the end of March 2024.



Drawer containing charts and pen torches.

## DO

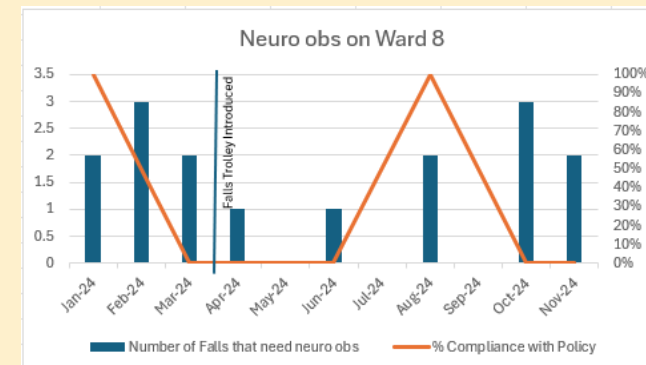
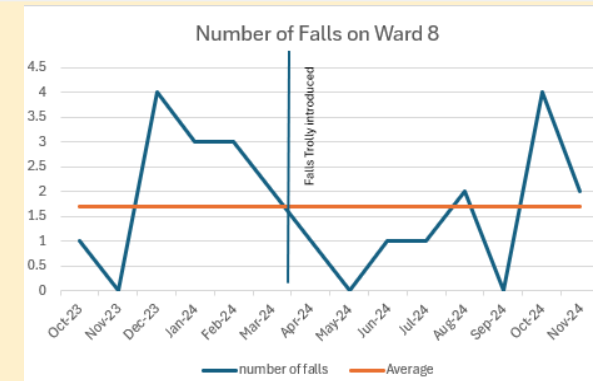
The team moved the trolley from the end of ward to the nurse's station. In addition, they included information above the trolley about the policies and procedures.



Information on the wall above the trolley.

## STUDY

The result was unexpected, what the ward expected to see was that their compliance with neurological observations increase however what they found was that the number of falls generally decreased (with a slight creep in October), As a result there were four months where no neurological observations were required. When they were required, there was only one month that the team were 100% compliant with the policy



## ACT

To **ADOPT** the trolley and share information with other areas.

### Next Steps

Continue to work on compliance

