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GUY'S AND ST THOMAS' FT PROSTHETIC PRESSURE ULCER REPORTING AND MANAGEMENT

NHS Improvement pressure ulcer guidelines were launched in 2018. The Trust identified a risk of the prosthetic MDT service not being compliant with the guidelines and developed an action plan to gather data, improve our compliance and governance in this clinical area.

Initial data collection identified how many prosthetic patients attend our outpatient clinics presenting with a pressure ulcer on their residual limb(s) and confirmed the need to improve staff knowledge of wound classification, management and reporting of pressure ulcers. A secondary, more detailed action plan was agreed, involving bespoke training by our local tissue viability team, agreeing standardised clinical actions, advice to patients, and onward referrals.

JUDGES COMMENTS

The judges loved the drive and ambition to improve outcomes for prosthetic patients, and the interaction of community stakeholders that was required to deliver this. They were impressed that the project has been shared with two academic institutions and with 6 other prosthetic centres. There are clear benefits of the programme directly linking to outcomes identified in the NHS Long Term Plan. The approach used has the potential to become a national best-practice exemplar and can be scaled across the UK and even further.



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HIGHLY COMMENDED



Solent Trust and Portsmouth Hospitals Trust Collabrative risk assessment: championing the use of aquatic physiotherapy in the ventilated critical care patient with Guillain-Barre Syndrome

This project involved the use of aquatic therapy (AT) in critical care patients with Guillain-Barre Syndrome (GBS), a condition in which significant recovery can be achieved, aided with physiotherapy intervention. Providing an alternative therapy environment to that of critical care (CCU), AT can also improve psychological well-being.

In 2018 the hydrotherapy unit received its first referral from CCU - a 60-year-old, ventilated GBS patient. To enable treatment to occur the team developed a bespoke and staged risk assessment tool for the AT intervention.

JUDGES COMMENTS

Whilst the project is still in its infancy, the presentation provided judges with clear detail pertaining to the process involved and how the risk assessment tool has been developed. There is evidence that the tool is comprehensive and improved risk management for individual patients using this innovative service. The patient video was fantastic and the spread within the organisations and external to them is to be commended.

FINALISTS



Cambridge University Hospital FT Improving patient safety through risk management

Cambridge University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust has a long-term risk management programme to embed a risk aware culture. This is underpinned by a robust and effective process and electronic risk register, a divisional quality governance structure and a clear oversight and assurance framework. The trust's goals are to make risk management an integral part of patient safety through a robust risk management framework that supports informed decision-making, and improved accountability and processes for sharing of patient safety risks across divisions.



Mountain Healthcare Custody Early Warning Scores; do they predict patient deterioration in police custody?

National Early Warning Scores (NEWS) has been seen to reduce morbidity in health care settings and

with police detainee deaths and serious adverse events continuing to occur in police custody, some forces have adopted an altered version of this system; the Custody Early Warning Score (CEWS).

Mountain Healthcare conducted a 3-month trial of this new and untested system to see how effective it was at identifying detainee morbidity and prioritisation, but found that the scoring system was not sensitive or specific enough to identify this in the detainee population. They are therefore calling for changes this policy and are working to assess detainees effectively, supported by their near miss reporting."



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