

Thursday, March 29<sup>th</sup>

## *Implementing the electronic Care Round Boards while leveraging existing rounding*

The electronic Care Round Board was introduced to the Ouellette Campus Intensive Care Unit (ICU) over the past 2 weeks. The unit already has an established patient rounding system. The introduction of the electronic board has its limitations and challenges, but the team is working through these challenges to find the best way to suit the patient care needs and the transfer of information required.

“Working on projects that are increasing the use of technology has identified challenges; however, with support of SOP we are laying the ground work to decrease double documentation and streamline the report and escalation process,” said Ashley Manuel RN, CPM Ouellette Campus Intensive Care Unit. “We are looking forward to using the care round board to its full potential.”



*ICU staff work through the transition of moving from paper-based rounds to using the new electronic Care Round Boards.*

The electronic Care Round Board trial will be starting at the Met campus on Tuesday next week. Thank you to all who have been involved in this process.

## *Keeping patients and staff safe on 4 Medical*

The 4 Medical staff have been diligently implementing Standard Unit bundles over the past few months. This week the team rolled out with Safety Huddles. Safety huddles are conducted once per shift within the first 2 hours of shift change and as needed when staff identify any significant safety issues to share with each other and/or escalate for further support by managers.

Some safety concerns included patients who are fall risks or are violent, multiple patients with the same last name, and equipment to be repaired. There's also the opportunity to discuss patient flow/surge status within the hospital to help prioritize patients to be discharged.



*Amy, Theresa, and Misty conduct a safety huddle on 4 Medical.*

4 Med RNs Ashley Bardsley and Amy Kubinec agreed. “Safety huddles are an excellent snapshot of the daily concerns on the unit. They enable each of us to prioritize the safety concerns and outstanding issues on the unit”.

Have a great weekend!

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