

Safety Improvement Plan

(Sign up to Safety) August 2017

What are the areas we could make the most difference?	What does success look like? What is your goal statement?	Measures	What do we need to do for that success to be realised?	Update July 2017
Reduce the number of	Reduce the number of avoidable falls	Assess the number of avoidable falls with	Observations Increase the frequency of observations for	Patients all re-assessed daily for
avoidable falls that result in harm in our	causing moderate or greater harm by a third by the end of	harm via Datix reporting	patients at risk Follow post falls protocol	observation level required.
inpatient services	March 2018	Assess compliance via monthly falls audit	Nurse patients unlikely to comply with falls prevention advice in higher visibility areas Undertake daily risk assessment for high risk patients	Monthly falls audit began in July 2017 and assesses all criteria
			Amend falls report to reflect avoidable falls statistics and trends	Falls report amended
			Commence the use of 'Tag You're It' initiative (1:1 and cohort staff wearing badges)	'Tag You're It' initiative introduced during Falls Prevention week 26 th June 2017, all wards visited, official launch presented and badges distributed across all wards
		Review the use of equipment via Matron	Equipment/Aids Encourage the wearing of glasses and hearing	
		audits and falls RCAs	aids and appropriate footwear	
			Purchase low profile beds and trolleys	20 high/low beds on site, 30 more on order.
			Use crash mats	Crash mats in place on C3, on order for C8
			Provide grab bags in toilets on C3	Grab bags available Trust wide
			Provide suitable chairs Introduce red and green identification of walking aids	Chairs on order Red and green labelling of walking aids launched in falls prevention week.

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		Assess the number of avoidable falls with harm via Datix reporting Assess compliance via monthly falls audit Obtain feedback from Falls Champions Assess compliance via	Communication Improve the quality of handover of patients from ED/EAU and all ward transfers Include the risk and incidence of falls with the MDT Implement monthly falls audit Support Falls Champions Education and training	Every ward has a graph to show incident trends for their areas for previous 12 months given out as part of falls prevention week. Falls audits in place Falls champion meetings relaunched
		monthly falls audit Review compliance as part of the monthly Matron audit Assess compliance with dementia training	Encourage all staff to risk assess for falls Embed 'Don't leave me in bed' campaign Lead nurse and Falls Champions to promote Falls Safe Challenge. Review roles of staff providing 1:1 care and cohorted bay care Ensure staff receive dementia training Ensure falls training and manual handling training is completed by ward based staff Provide feedback on lessons learned	Falls prevention week 26 th June completed Due to be implemented over the summer with appointment of new Falls Lead 1:1 staff now wear badges to ID role ('Tag You're It' initiative) Falls on line training reviewed and due for launch 31 st July 2017 Training records for staff are monitored Lessons learned included in falls reports Specific staff engagement during Falls prevention week – June 2017 including presentations and engagement with staff in clinical areas.
		Assess patient/carer involvement from feedback including NHS choices comments, complaints and PALS comments	Patient and carer engagement Encourage visitors to return chairs after use and not leave belongings on the floor –e.g bags Implement 'Take the Time' for patients at risk of falls due to cognitive problems	Patient welcome booklet updated to include housekeeping advice re belongings and visitors chairs. Take the time relaunched w/c 26 th June

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			Patient and carer engagement cont Use feedback to improve processes and engage with staff Develop joint patient/carer and staff forums to share ideas	Patient who fell at home completed patient story video for use in Trust. Falls prevention week – relatives and public requested information on falls prevention at home – links provided to Dudley Council and Dudley Rehabilitation Service via phone and on line. Falls information boards in most clinical areas
			Publish progress on the HUB	Tweets and Trust Facebook page updated with falls progress.
Identify all		Assess the availability	Communication	
Identify all invasive procedures requiring NatSSIPs and provide assurance of compliance with the standards with the use of LocSSIPs by March 2018		of LocSSIP checklists against the identified list of invasive procedures	Raise the profile of the need for LocSSIPs using posters, team brief and Trust Intranet reminders etc Engage with teams where invasive procedures are undertaken and support the development of invasive procedure checklists Provide feedback on good practice Provide shared access to LocSSIP checklists. Identify the procedures still requiring LocSSIP check lists	Posters have been circulated and the item added to raise the awareness of the need for LocSSIP checklists. Meetings held with key individuals to confirm what LocSSIPs are in place and what are required. Support provided. LocSSIP checklists and SOP uploaded to the HUB to share Working through the list of procedures to confirm what is still outstanding
		Assess compliance with audit of LocSSIP checklists	Observations Check compliance with LocSSIP checklists	Several areas already have their own audit process in place. A Trust wide audit process is still required to confirm compliance
		Assess patient/carer involvement from feedback including NHS choices comments, complaints and PALS comments	Patient and carer engagement Improve the information available to patients /carers having invasive procedures on the LocSSIP checklist process	Sign up to Safety pledges and information to be added to Trust website. Information is available to patients as part of the LocSSIP checklist

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		Monitor the development of LocSSIP checklists, audits and SOP	Education and training Monitor the compliance with implementation of LocSSIP checklist procedures	A LocSSIP register has been developed to record LocSSIP activity and monitor compliance
			Develop Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for all LocSSIPs	A standard Trust SOP has been developed and is available to staff on the HUB. Specialised SOP are being developed as necessary
Reduce the number of omitted medication errors by 50% by March 2018		Monitor compliance with medication management Undertake audit	Observations Monitor the administration of medications	Identified lead Matron to liaise with Matron group and attend pharmacy working group. Audit completed May 2017. Action plan to be completed by August 2017. Datix used to monitor incidents and trends. Working with Allscripts to develop electronic prescribing in April 2018
		Monitor how good practice is shared	Communication Share good practice from wards where the level of medication omissions is low	The next link nurse newsletter will be published in September. Information and actions to be publicised in the newsletter for dissemination to all registered staff.
		Monitor the efficacy of medicine forums	Education and training Strengthen the medication forum to support Champions and develop ideas for reducing medication omissions	Medicines link nurse training being reviewed to increase focus on medication omissions. Identified Matron working in partnership with senior pharmacists.
		Secure patient feedback from NHS choices comments, complaints and PALS comments	Patient and carer engagement Improve information for patients on the importance of receiving their medication as prescribed.	Complaints and comments made by patients re missed medication doses are recorded by Patient Experience group and Quality and Governance group. Developing improved liaison with the newly appointed Head of Patient Experience and Head of Communications to share learning from these comments/complaints and improve services.