



Electronic Documentation: Informed by Evidence and Creating Evidence

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Objectives

- Saint Elizabeth Health Care
- The benefits of electronic documentation
- Designing an e-documentation system
- Strategies to consider for:
 - ✓Implementation
 - ✓Engagement
 - ✓ Evaluation

Who is SEHC?

- A Canadian not-for-profit charitable organization
- Caring for our communities for 100 years
- Over 3.3 million home visits in 2008
- Accredited health care organization
- A 50 Best Employers in Canada in 2007 & a Best Workplace in Canada
- Provincial / National / International Care provision



To honour the human face of healthcare

One dream One team One vision...



Evidence Informs Decision Making

- Why bother with electronic documentation?
 - Link interventions to outcome measures
 - $-\uparrow$ access to best practice resources
 - Integrate best practice resources into documentation
 - Begin discussions with staff early
 - Provide leadership the language to discuss with staff eg. scripts, list of questions

Selecting the Hardware



Designing an E-Doc System

Partnership between professional practice a

To develop or to buy

M-Brace: Our Vision

M-Brace the Future

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E-Motion: Our Vision

Wireless Access+ E-documentation

- Improve just in time access to information
- Streamlined care delivery processes
- Seamless electronic interchange between health care team members
- Efficiency, effectiveness, quality of health record & safety

Opportunities Created with E- Doc

• Efficiency

- $-\downarrow$ duplication
- Streamlining processes
- Quality

Opportunities Created with E- Doc

• Effectiveness

- Access to decision support resources
- Evidence driven care & documentation
- Standardized care & documentation

Opportunities Created with E- Doc

Knowledge Creation

- $-\uparrow$ capacity for chart audits \rightarrow reports
- $-\uparrow$ capacity for capture of client outcomes

Opportunities Created with E-doc

• Safety

- Nurses could now have access to referral at all times
- Emergency contact information & codes are all right there

Other Opportunities with E- Doc

- Going green
- Cost effective
- Improved communications
- Staff satisfaction
- Possibly address retention & recruitment issues

Challenges Unique to our Setting

- New referrals come and nurse may already be out in the community so verbal messages of orders/care required and client specifics
- Management of communication between
 agencies
- Access to IT support

The Project Charter: Scoping

- Phased approach
 - Phase 1: creation of forms + new process flows
 - Phase 2: adding functionality and decision tools
 - Phase 3: 1 form \rightarrow HOBIC assessment
- Project management approach

E-Motion: Maintaining Caseloads

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E-Motion: Creating the Chart

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E-Motion: HOBIC Assessment

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Process Changes: The human side of e-documentation

- Fax based communication → email
- Documentation on the tablet in the client's home
- Completing all aspects of care during the actual visit
- Communicating with the circle of care
- Auditing records
- Health records storage

Strategies for Implementation: Model for Improvement

- Hardware
 - Getting used to using the tablets
- Interfaces
 - With electronic scheduling software
 - Over wireless connection
- Software
 - Learning to use the forms
 - One form at a time
 - In a lab setting, using case studies
 - In parallel to usual documentation

Implementation Strategy: Progressive

• Principles

- Manageable groups
- Manageable risk
- Anticipated outcomes

Staff Engagement

- Small group training
- Access to decision tools
- Follow-up teleconferences
- Change management strategies

Evaluation Strategy

Satisfaction

- With education
- With technology
- With documentation tools
- With processes
- Cost / benefit analysis
- HOBIC assessments completed
- How nurses use outcome data

Outcomes to Date

- Staff satisfied with the education and would like more role playing in how to complete HOBIC
- Within the first week we have over 20 HOBIC admission assessments completed
- Staff felt many of the outcomes they did but never documented
- Therapeutic self-care was new to them
- Staff want it all..."what's next"

Questions



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