

BASICS OF NURSING AUDIT

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NURSING AUDIT

According to
Gostler Walfer



Nursing audit is an exercise to find out whether good nursing practices are followed.



The audit is a means by which nurses themselves can define standards from their point of view and describe the actual practice of nursing.

PURPOSE OF NURSING AUDIT



Evaluating nursing care



Achieves deserved and feasible quality of nursing care



Stimulant for better care and records



Focuses on care provided and the care provider



Contributes to nursing research

METHODS OF NURSING AUDIT

**Retrospective
Audit**

**Concurrent
Audit**

TYPES OF AUDIT



Document

- Initial nursing assessment
- Nursing care plan
- MRD - Open & closed records
- Pain assessment tool
- Intake and output chart

Structure

- Patient Safety
- Committee structure
- Nursing units

Process

- Medication administration
- Spot surveillance (also includes Narcotic use)
- Safe surgery checklist
- Handoffs

Outcome

- Waste segregation
- Infection control outcomes :VAP, BSI, CLABSI, CAUTI, SSI, Thrombophlebitis, Hand hygiene, NSI
- Nursing outcomes: HAPU, Cautery burn, Pt falls, Medication error

Prevalence

- Thrombophlebitis
- Hand hygiene
- Patient ID
- Skin peel

QUIET TIME

Phase II- QUIET TIME in ICU

Identify the Issues

Inadequate patient rest

Re-Audit

Obtain or define standards

- To reduce the noise levels in floors as per WHO recommendations (70.34dB to 45dB)
- To initiate & enhance compliance to 'Quiet Time' of 2 hours during the day

AUDIT
CYCLE

Collect Data

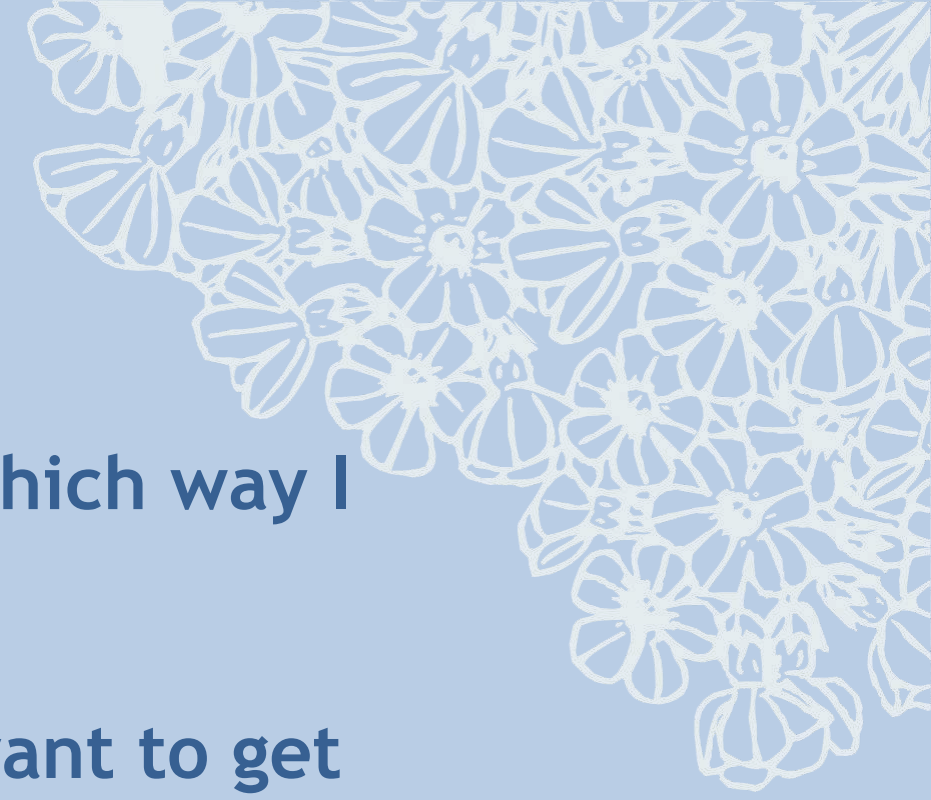
- Questionnaire for patient feedback
- Decibelometer readings
- Observation of people movement in the patients room
- MIS report of Patient movement

Implement change

Compare performance with standards

Reduce the noise levels from to 70.34dB to 45dB (WHO recommendation) within a period of 6 months

- STREAMlining 'Quiet Time'
- Planning the hand off time
- Training & sensitization to all the teams
- Avoiding the unnecessary movement
- Restricting movement in the patients room to minimal
- Planning & scheduling the diagnostic procedures & transfer in of patients



“Would you tell me, please - said Alice, “Which way I ought to Walk from here?”

“That depends a good deal on where you want to get to,” said the Cat.

“I don’t much care where...” said Alice

“Then it doesn’t matter which way you walk,” said the Cat.

- From Alice in Wonderland,
Lewis Carroll

STRATEGY

NURSING GOVERNANCE AND NURSING AUDIT



Practice
council

Quality
council

Education
council

ROLE OF GOVERNANCE



Quality Council

- Identify issues
- Defines standards
- Prepares audit tools
- Monitor and analyze data
- Trend analysis
- Mapping of audit findings
- Seek opportunities for improvements



Education Council

- Training needs identification
- Review the training modules based on patient care policies and audit findings
- Develop teaching modules
- Modification in the methodology as per the needs



Practice Council

- Works collaboratively with Quality and Education Council
- Conducts audits to identify the compliance to the standards
- Ensures conformance to processes
- Validation of the standards and patient care policies
- Define, evaluate and disseminate evidence based practices
- Coordinate and communicate initiatives to nursing education

A blurred background image showing two healthcare workers in blue scrubs. They are looking down at a tablet computer held by one of them. The scene is brightly lit, likely in a hospital or clinic setting.

THANK YOU