



## CASE STUDY

### Ash & Oak Ward

# Nurse Role Badges

#### Problem:

As part of the Releasing Time to Care (RTTC) medication module, the Paediatric wards reviewed compliance with the drugs policy. They highlighted that controlled drug checks were not being performed consistently and as required.

#### Solution:

The nursing team purchased badges that clearly highlighted the specific role of checking controlled drugs. They also included 'Nurse in Charge' and 'Check Crash Trolley' badges.

These provided a visual reminder for the checks required and ensured responsibility within the team was shared, as the badges were allocated to different team members each day.



#### Outcomes and Benefits:

Feedback from the nursing team indicated that they all liked the badges and that the required checks were done early in the day.

The Trust resuscitation team are now piloting the use of the crash trolley badge with an adult inpatient ward and will audit the success of this before planning a further roll out. The Chief Nurse is supportive of the 'Nurse in Charge' badge and further samples of these are being obtained to trial further.

The Paediatric wards' team won the 'Dream Team Award' for the medication module in April 2015 with this work.

#### Change Champions:

- Kay Carr, Matron
- Jayne Nguyen, Staff Nurse
- Rebecca Martin, Sister

