



CASE STUDY

Kingfisher Ward

Visual Identification of Medication

Problem:

As part of the Releasing Time to Care (RTTC) medication module, March 2015. Teams were encouraged to review any medication process or element that may benefit from improvement.

Kingfisher Ward undertook the reorganisation of their drug trolleys to improve their medication rounds. Photos were taken prior to any changes;



Solution:

New signs were devised to enable the grouping of similar drugs adjacent to each other within the trolleys;



Outcomes and Benefits:

Kingfisher staff commented positively on these improvements and the improved ease of locating required medication with the clear segregation.

Nurse Quote: *"I know if I want an anti-emetic exactly what section of the trolley to head for"*

This certainly saves time for the nurses, which also means prompt administration to the patient, giving all staff the incentive to maintain order.

The Kingfisher ward team won the 'Dream Team Award' for the medication module as a result of this work.

Change Champions:

- Tracy Ockwell, Ward Manager
- Trina Walker, Sister
- Student Nurse Naomi Smith

