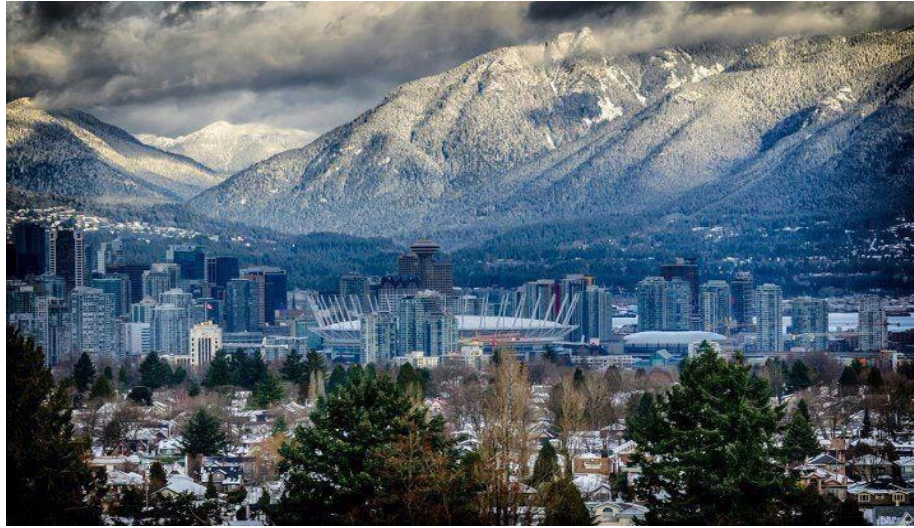


Closed Loop Medication Management Nursing Workaround Information Session

MHA Capstone Project
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Land Acknowledgement



I acknowledge with gratitude that I live and work on the traditional, ancestral and unceded territories of the Coast Salish peoples – the x^wməθk^wəyəm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), and səɪilwətaʔt (Tseil-Waututh) First Nations.

About Me...

- RN- worked in Ontario, then at BCCH x 3 years
- CIS- helping with CST roll out
- Completing Masters of Health Administration at UBC
- Interest in Quality Improvement & Professional Practice

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Privacy & Confidentiality

- Participation is VOLUNTARY
- NOT taking attendance or collecting any personal info
- Not sharing surveys responses with Leadership
 - Results will be analyzed and summarized
 - Will share report with Leadership- and with you if you're interested!

Agenda



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Review of CLMM

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Including Q & A

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Survey

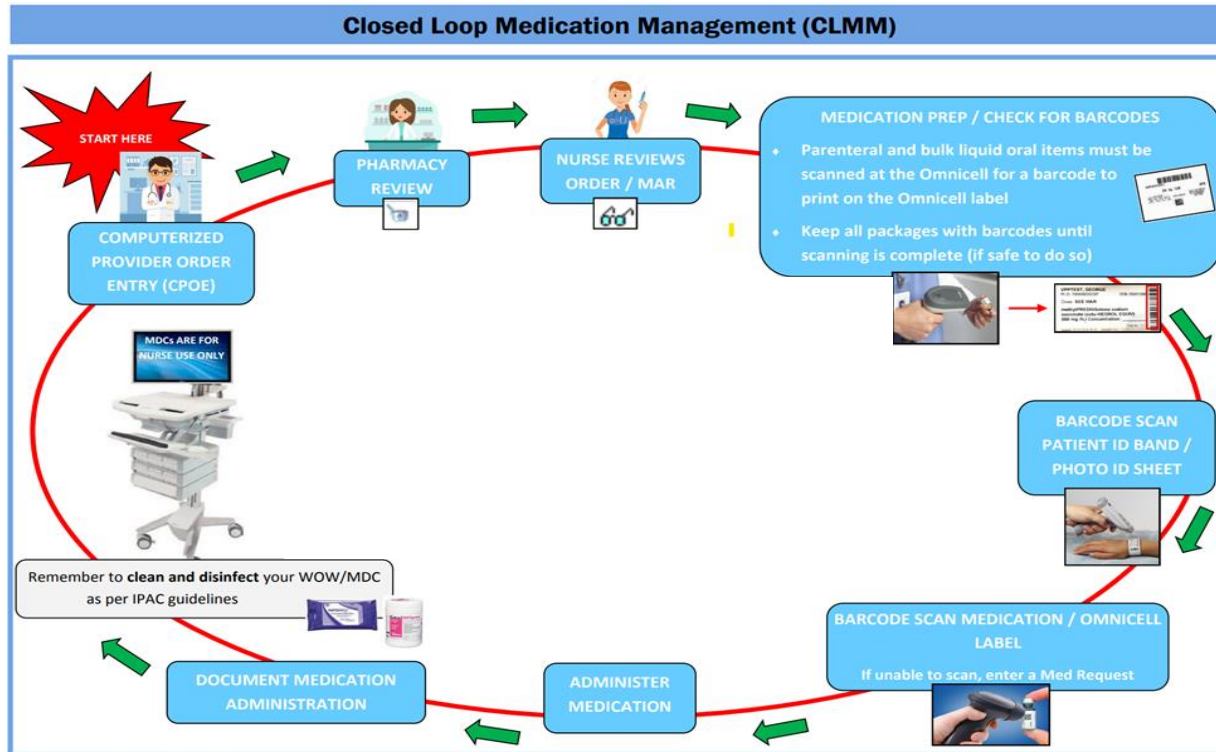
Survey



Complete the first 13 questions
and then pause!



Review: Closed Loop Medication Management



Bar Code Medication Administration [BCMA] is part of Closed Loop Medication Management [CLMM]



Case Study Background

Madison, RN, has been working on the Pediatric Medical- Surgery Unit for the past 5 years. The 12 bed unit is filled with complex kids ranging from Newborn to 16 years. Normally there are 3 nurses working per shift. Diagnosis are widely variable, there happens to be 4 sick septic patients receiving the same medications at the same times on the floor today.



Context...

Last year, Madison's hospital rolled out CST Cerner, including Closed Loop Medication Management Workflows- and Bar Code Medication Administration

WiFi has been notoriously poor since the CST roll out. The Nurses have had to adopt a "trick" to scan the medication and an extra patient band in med room instead of at the bedside. This allows "timely" medication administration and avoids any trouble from management



Once Upon a Time...

Madison starts the day by finding out her co worker has called in sick and Gloria, the replacement, will not make it in until 9 or 10 am. Her other co worker Kelly has a patient in critical condition being transferred to PICU. Madison will have to complete the 8 am medication round for 7 patients.



Madison



Gloria

In order to save time, Madison, scans all the 8 am medications and extra patient bands in the medication room- then stores the medications in the separate medication drawers in the WOW

Madison rushes and is able to administer all the 8 am medications to all 7 patients

Gloria arrives at 9 am to find Madison frazzled but with the morning rush completed!

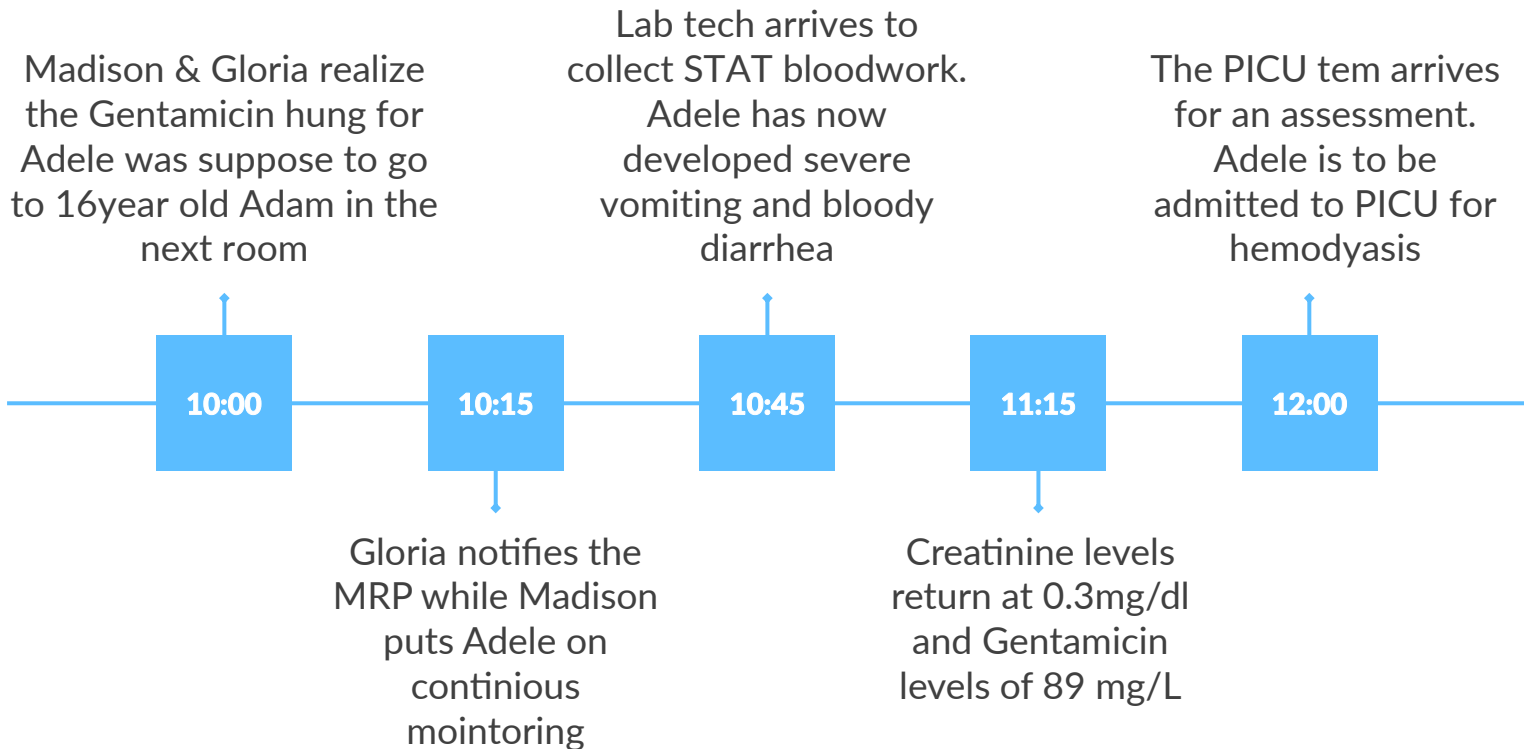
She thanks her co worker and proceeds to complete her morning Head to Toe assessments on her patients



And then...

Gloria assesses 2 year old Adele last. When checking her site to source, Gloria notes a large empty secondary bag of Gentamicin. The label notes a very large dose. On assessment, Adele complains of new, sharp abdominal tenderness & severe nausea

“It all happened so fast...”



Discussion



**What was the
workaround?**



**How could we
have
prevented the
poor
outcome?**



**What can
we apply to
BCCH?**



Definition

“informal and/or temporary behaviors or actions that ‘fix’ perceived workflow hindrances to meet a goal or to achieve it more readily”

“Gaming”

In addition to workaround, user “pretends” to follow the formal workflow steps, in order to avoid repercussions

Why?

- Inflexibility
- Time stress
- Lacks Situational Awareness
- Leadership relations
- Culture

What is a Workaround?

Prevention

In order to truly prevent something, we must find the ROOT Cause.
In this Case Study:

Short Staffed

Difficult to prevent at
unit level

Stress

Can reduce but not
eliminate

Workaround

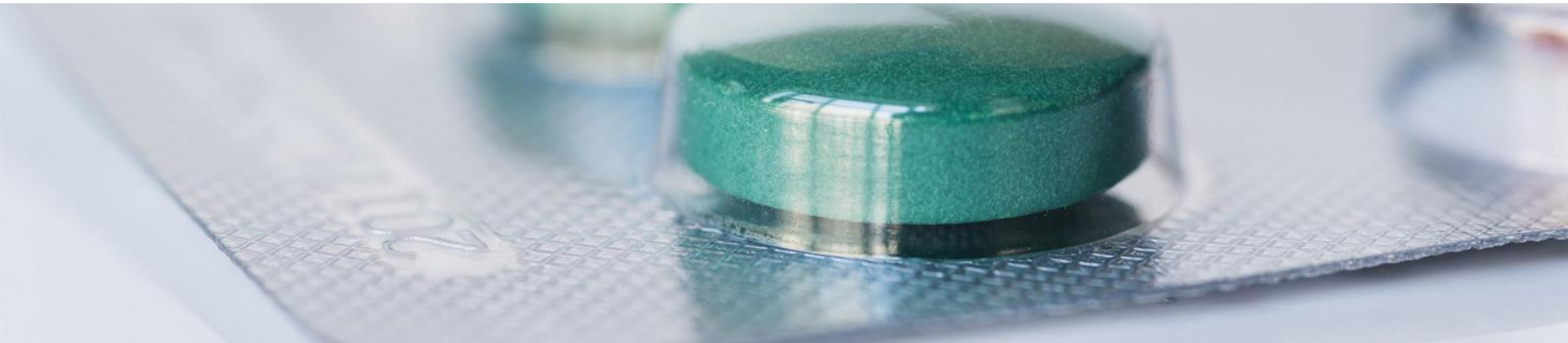
... but what is causing
the workaround?

The poor WiFi!

Gaming

... but what is causing
the gaming?

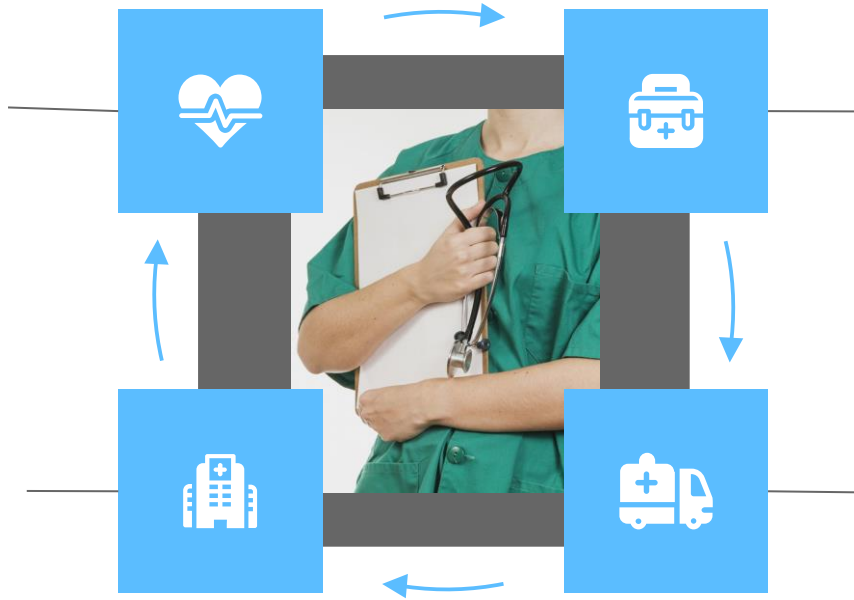
Don't want to get
in trouble!
? Unit culture



Prevention Options

Madison adheres to BCMA scanning workflows- even though it's slow

Madison- or any of the unit nurses- report the slow WIFI which is leading to the workaround



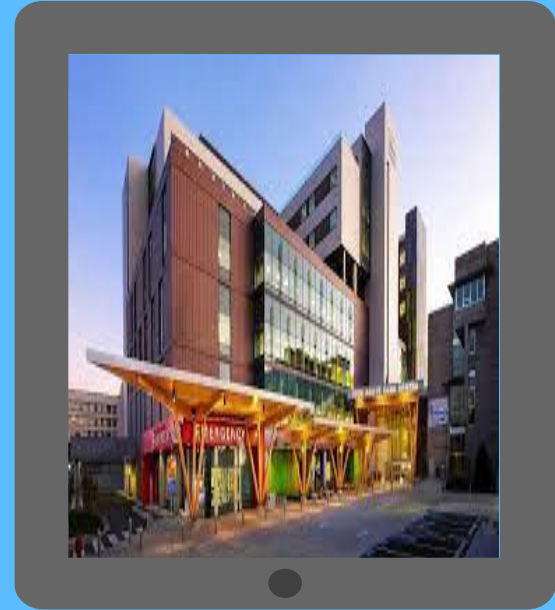
Madison can manually check patient arm band to MAR & Med label- even though this still means opening Powerchart

Madison calls for help from leadership &/or refuses 7 patient workload

What does it mean for BCCH?

- Root cause of workaround behaviour includes the *unaddressed* slow Wifi and unit culture
- Found that the gaming **added** a significant amount of risk to the initial workaround...
- Root cause of the gaming includes difficulty approaching leadership, fear of repercussions and unit culture

These are the things BCCH can try to prevent!





HOW?

need YOUR feedback!



PSLS provides way to
report Closed Loop
Medication Management
Workflow issues

ANONYMOUSLY

- ✓ More convenient way to communicate with leaders
- ✓ Anonymous- can't get in trouble
- ✓ Familiar program ensures all relevant info is collected
- ✓ Quality Leads monitoring PSLS, able to trend reports
- ✓ Also a way to share SAFE workarounds

Quality & Risk Lead can
make a RedCAP Survey
where staff can report
issues

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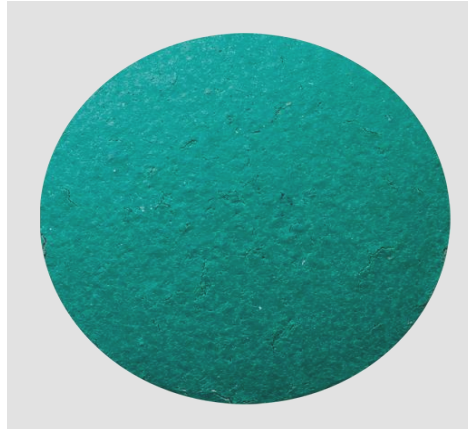


Safe Workarounds?



**NOT always
unsafe**

Sometimes even better
than the original
workflow!



Frontline Staff

INTEGRAL to reporting
ineffectual workflows
and innovating feasible
solutions



Already in Place

CST has created and
implemented
workarounds to adjust
for system limitations

Take Aways



Workarounds should always be reviewed to ensure safety



Workarounds may indicate need for change



Unit Culture & Leadership play an important role



CLMM & BCMA will feel slow at first



Gaming doesn't fix anything



Partnership in change is needed

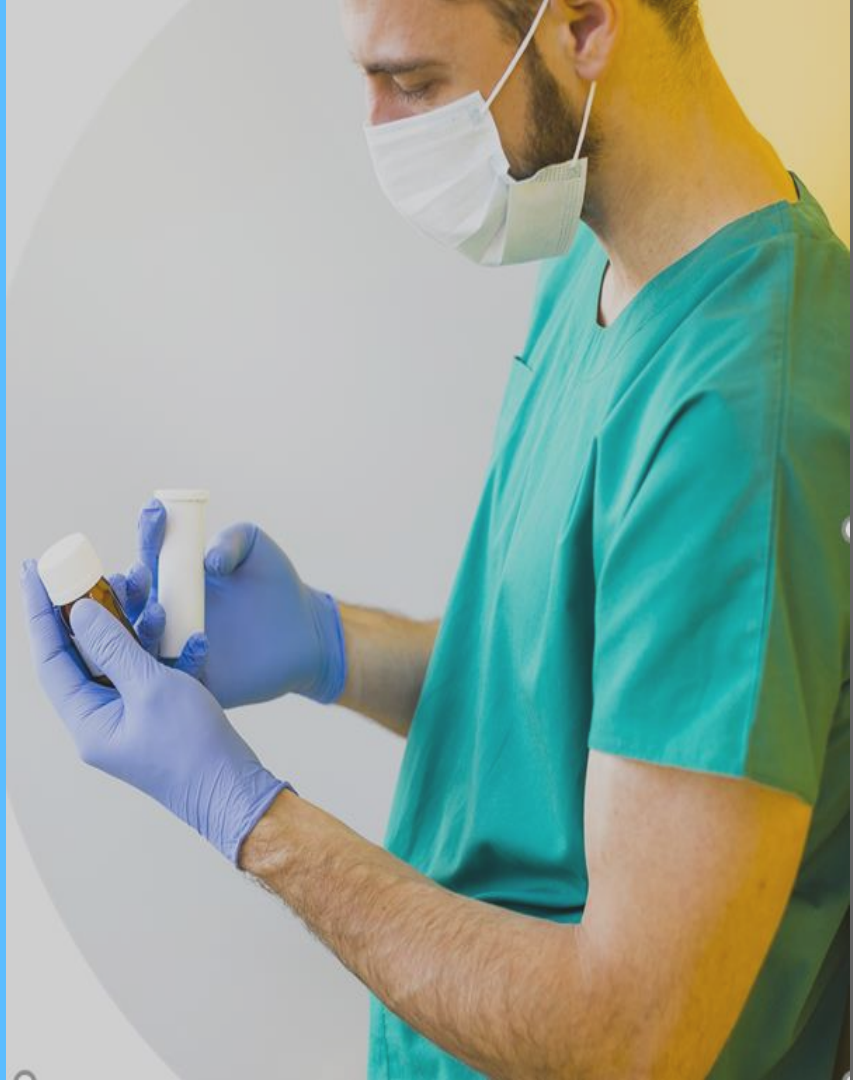
Survey



Re-open pervious survey

&

Complete the final 6 questions





Next:

Go Live!

**Receive a follow up surveys in
April**

**Reach out if you want to
participate in Post Go Live
interviews**

Thank you!

Do you have remaining questions?

OR

Want to participate in one-on-one
post Go Live Interviews?

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