

Using Implementation Science to Introduce a Wireless Monitoring System Integrated Within the Care Environment

Background

- The PARIHS (Promoting Action on Research Implementation in Health Services) framework guided the implementation of a research study of a wireless continuous monitoring system (CMS) capable of trending Respiratory (RR) and Heart Rate (HR) to identify patient deterioration.
- The framework helps to examine the interplay between evidence, context, and facilitation to translate research into practice.¹

Setting

- A 170-bed community teaching hospital within the largest healthcare system in Boston, MA.
- All inpatient Med-Surg units launched a wireless CMS integrated with the bed, nurse call system and communication badges.

Purpose

• To utilize the PARIHS framework to develop a toolkit and guide for implementation of the CMS system.



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Methods

- - To understand current practice, concerns, and barriers.
 - concerns.
- - diagram, a reference guide, education.
- and facilitator addressed workflow issues and user concerns during weekly audits.









Results

Response times well below the 5-minute goal established in the literature.²

Audits/feedback support

- alarms are adjusted to reduce alarm burden.
- Correction of inaccurate manual RR measurement.

Movement between concepts in the framework guided change efforts in a fluid way.

Implications

• The PARIHS framework provided structure and flexibility to modify the steps of implementation.

Next Steps

• This study is expected to conclude in May 2023.

Quantitative and qualitative analyses will provide comprehensive understanding of the results.

• The PARIHS framework is recommended to guide future studies.

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