



## Staff Competency Program in Manual Handling Operation (MHO) Management

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#### OSH in KEC – An Overview

- KEC is the first cluster with full time OSH Team under HR to look after OSH in 2008/09
  - ➤ This provides end to end service from identification of risk, provision of training, employee compensation, staff caring, and return to work support
  - ➤ We lead OSH, with shared vision & shared values
  - ➤ We ensure colleagues safety at work because we care about people, with commitment and passion
  - ➤ We develop OSH structure and Safety Management System



#### OSH in KEC – An Overview

- Injury On Duty (IOD) in KEC
  - Representing an overall decrease in 41% in no. of IOD cases per 100 staff since 2008/09



## Staff Competency Program in MHO Management

- MHO: A Focused issue:
  - > MHO-related injuries
    - Ranked the top three in KEC
    - Took extra sick leave days
  - ➤ We targeted Nursing and Supporting staff who heavily involved in MHO tasks
- Started the above program since 2009







## Objectives

 To reduce MHO-related IOD and sick leave

• To enhance staff competency of MHO skill





### Our Journey

#### **Key features:**

- Engage right people
- Identify causes of injury
- Develop and implement right strategies on high risk MHO tasks
- Ensure compliance to safe practices
- Promote safety culture and build ownership
- Support and take care of the injured staff
- Monitor and review the program regularly







## 1) Engage right people

#### **Experts in Ergonomics**

They provide professional inputs in MHO in working group

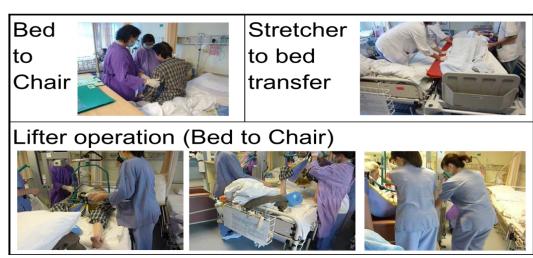
#### Frontline workers and supervisors

- They know the best on their respective work tasks and environment
- OSH Team engage them together to <u>analyze causes</u> of MHO-related injuries and <u>identify high risk tasks</u> at their workplaces

## 2) Identify Causes of Injury

- Targeted Nursing and Supporting who are heavily involved in MHO tasks
- Walk through high risk MHO tasks with experts, supervisors, and frontline staff
- Help supervisors and frontline staff identify and recognize risks such as patient's readiness to be transferred, communication between staff and patients, posture,

environment





## 3) Develop and implement right strategies on High Risk Tasks

 Work out <u>agreed safety procedures</u>, e.g. collection of linen bags



- Stabilize door
- fully open the cover
- fix the rim with cover

- tie the bag below the linen frame
- pull bag out with both hands

## 4) Ensure compliance to safe practices

- Proper and extensive training skill transfer and behavioral change with demonstration and assessment
- Reinforcing onsite supervision by supervisors to sustain training effect, own the safety responsibility by the units, and ensure safe behavior

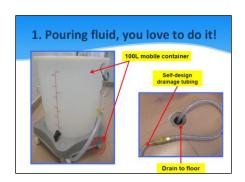
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## 5) Promote safety culture and build ownership

- Promote pre-work stretching exercise
- Coordinate <u>recognition scheme</u> for self-initiated improvement projects









## 6) Support and take care of the injured staff

#### Collaborate with OMCS

Fast track treatment and rehabilitation

with necessary work-task/environment modifications

to facilitate earlier return to work





#### Results

#### **Extensive coverage of training**

- Initial coverage of around 76% targeted colleagues in 09/10 and 10/11
- Training videos for departments' trainers
- Since 2010/11, tailor-made refresher training to suit particular needs of targeted staff and departments

### Results (II)

#### **OSH Survey in Dec 2011**

To understand colleagues' feedback on OSH

No. of Survey return received	Agree / Strongly Agree overall effectiveness of existing OSH Program	Agree / Strongly Agree confident to do job safely	Agree / Strongly Agree felt satisfied with my job needs at work	性訊息, 現正結論同等的對照安整推廣活動問卷調查 等與委以下同卷並交回基於數學後對原答動的卷 事發表職安健意見,於截止後,職安組續 第之一切內容只然此獨差。
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### Results (III)

#### Reduction in IOD rate and IOD days lost rate

	No. of case	es per 100 staff	Days lost per 100 staff		
MHO- 2008 / 09 2012 related IOD		2012	2008 / 09	2012	
KEC	2.04	o.88 ( ↓ 57%)	138.87	122.82 ( ↓ 12%)	

#### The MHO program honored Winner Award in HMA 2012





13 papers accepted by HA Convention (since 2009)

### Results (IV)

- As invited speakers
  - > "Staff Wellness Program" & "CQI Program MHO Program" at HA OSH Conference 2011
  - ➤ "Safety enhancement program for hospital facilities and laundry plant" at Sharing Seminar
    - of Civil Services Bureau 2011
  - ➤ "MHO Improvement Projects in Operating Rooms" at HA OSH Sharing on Ergonomics Improvement Program 2012







### Results (V)

- "Safety enhancement program for hospital facilities and laundry plant" honored Bronze Award in 2011 by Hong Kong Occupational Safety and Health Council (OSHC)
- 9 colleagues honored different awards (Merit to Gold) in The Best OSH Employee organized by OSHC and Labour Department





## The Way Forward

- Invite experts to enhance Control Landing Skill at MHO training
- Work with high incident departments to make and implement improvement plans
- Implement post-incident re-training & supervision
- Reorganize labeling for handling objects







# conclusion

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- Less injury and manpower loss
- Healthier, happier, and more committed colleagues
- Safe environment ensured
- Harmonious staff-patient relationship





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#### **Key success factors:**

- Shared vision and values
- Senior management support
- Proper staff engagement and strategy
- Ownership by different levels of staff
- Regular review and monitor



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