Effect of Implementation of Modified Early Warning Score (MEWS) in PYNEH on Outcome of Adult Septic Patients Compared with Regional Hospitals Not Implementing MEWS

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Introduction

- Mortality rate for sepsis is high
- Outcome may be improved with early aggressive therapy
- In <u>2008</u>, Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital (PYNEH) was the first hospital to have hospital-wide implementation of Modified Early Warning Score (MEWS) observation chart together with a standardized response plan
- Have we improved the outcome of adult septic adult patients?

Objective

 To compare the mortality & ICU admission rate before & after full implementation of MEWS

Methodology

- Controlled pre & post study
- Data-mining exercise
- Patients included
 - Aged ≥ 18 years &
 - Coded as sepsis on discharge (038.9, 785.59 or 998.5)
 - Admission in 2006 or 07
 - → Pre-MEWS
 - Admission in 2009 or 10
 - → Post-MEWS
- Summary data from 6 other regional hospitals were collected using the same criteria

Results

- 31289 episodes of sepsis analyzed
 - 10259 episodes in 2006/07 (Pre)
 - 21030 episodes in 2009/10 (Post)

	PYNEH	
	2006/07	2009/10
Episodes	1859	3498
Age (mean ± SD)	73.5 ± 14.8	71.1 ± 16.1
Male	48.7%	50.7%
Crude Hospital Mortality	24.9%	20.8%
	p=0.0005	
ICU Admission	19.4%	17.3%
	p=0.0570	

	Control I 2006/07	Hospitals 2009/10
Episodes	8400	17532
Age (mean ± SD)	73.6 ± 16.1	72.6 ± 16.5
Male	49.1%	51.7%
Crude Hospital Mortality	22.2%	23.3%
	p=0.0504	
ICU Admission	10.3%	11.7%
	p=0.0011	

- With MEWS in PYNEH
 - Hospital mortality 4.1% (significant)
 - ICU admission

 2.1% (marginally significant)
- Opposite direction of change in the control hospitals
- Odds Ratio for mortality after MEWS was **0.78** (0.68-0.89, 95% CI) (p=0.000), with control of confounding factors (**Logistic regression** with age, chronic renal failure, cirrhosis, COAD, diabetes, malignancy, ICU admission & hospital attended as variables)

Conclusion

MEWS implementation in PYNEH was **effective** in reducing crude mortality rate among adult septic patients