Paediatric Early Warning Score with Information Technology Support to Strengthen Patient Safety

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Manual PEWS Chart

- A scoring system to enhance identification of Paediatric patients at risk of deterioration

- Parameters with age-specific reference range

- Time-consuming and subject to errors for charting and calculation

Computerized PEWS for charting

1. Patient Identification
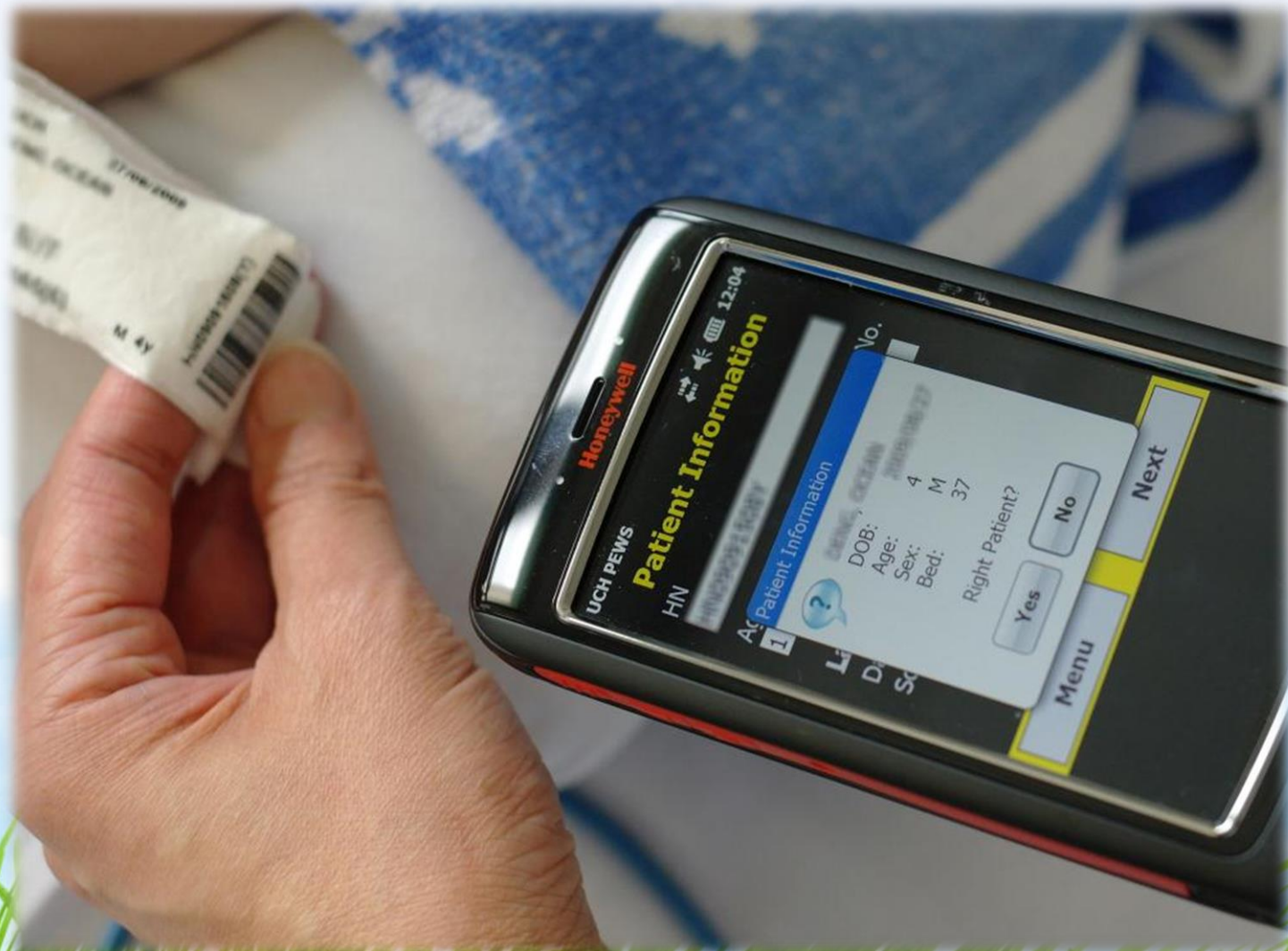
2. PEW Chart

- Step-by-step guide for charting
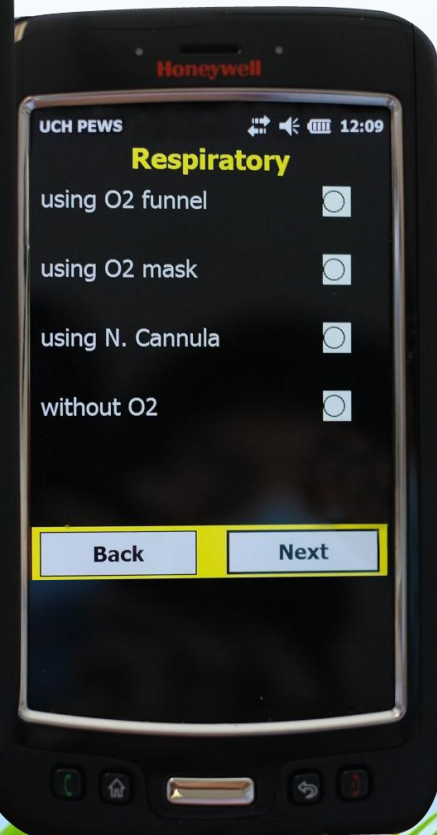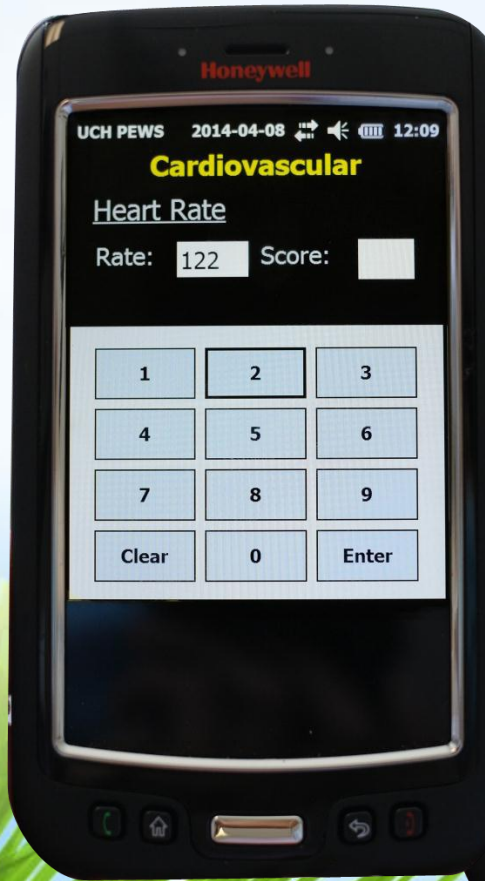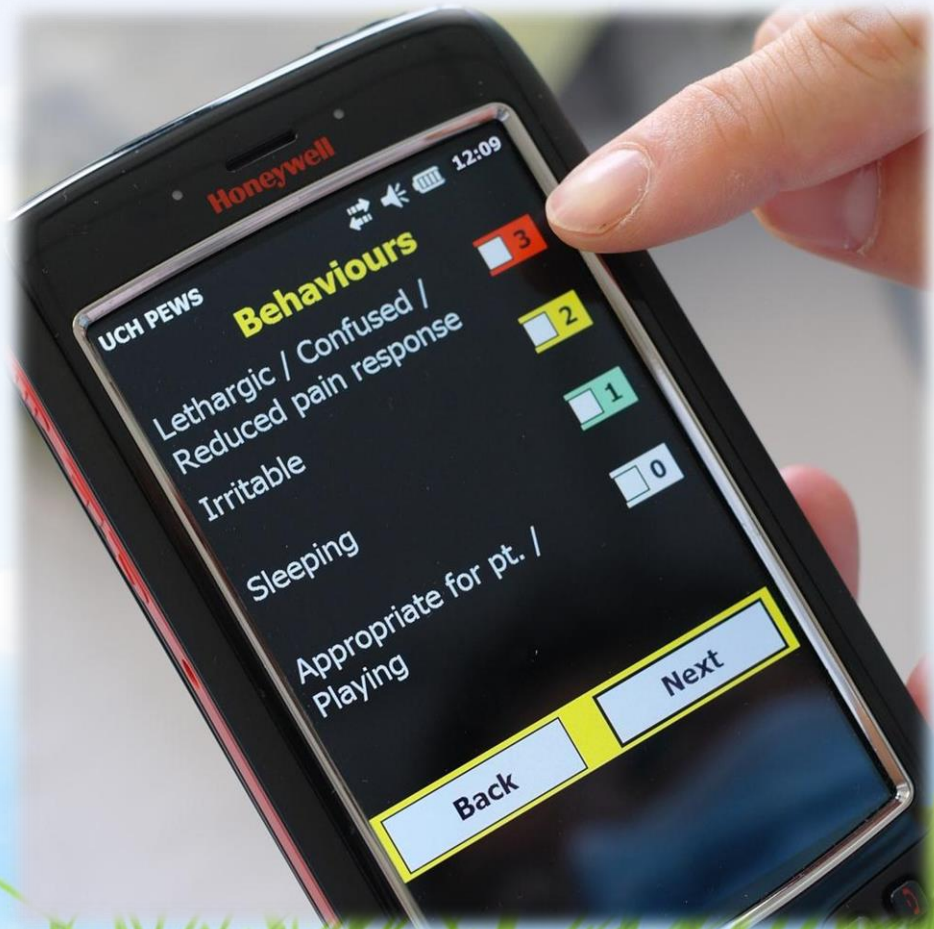
3. PEWS Score

- Scan employee number

- Calculate PEWS score

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Patient Result

Staff No.: 134920

Date: 2014-04-07 12:07:48

Score: 3 (max single: 3)

Instruction

1. Report to senior nurse or nurse IC
2. Call MO
3. Please connect cardiac monitor and SaO2 monitor

Please scan senior nurse or nurse ic's employee no.

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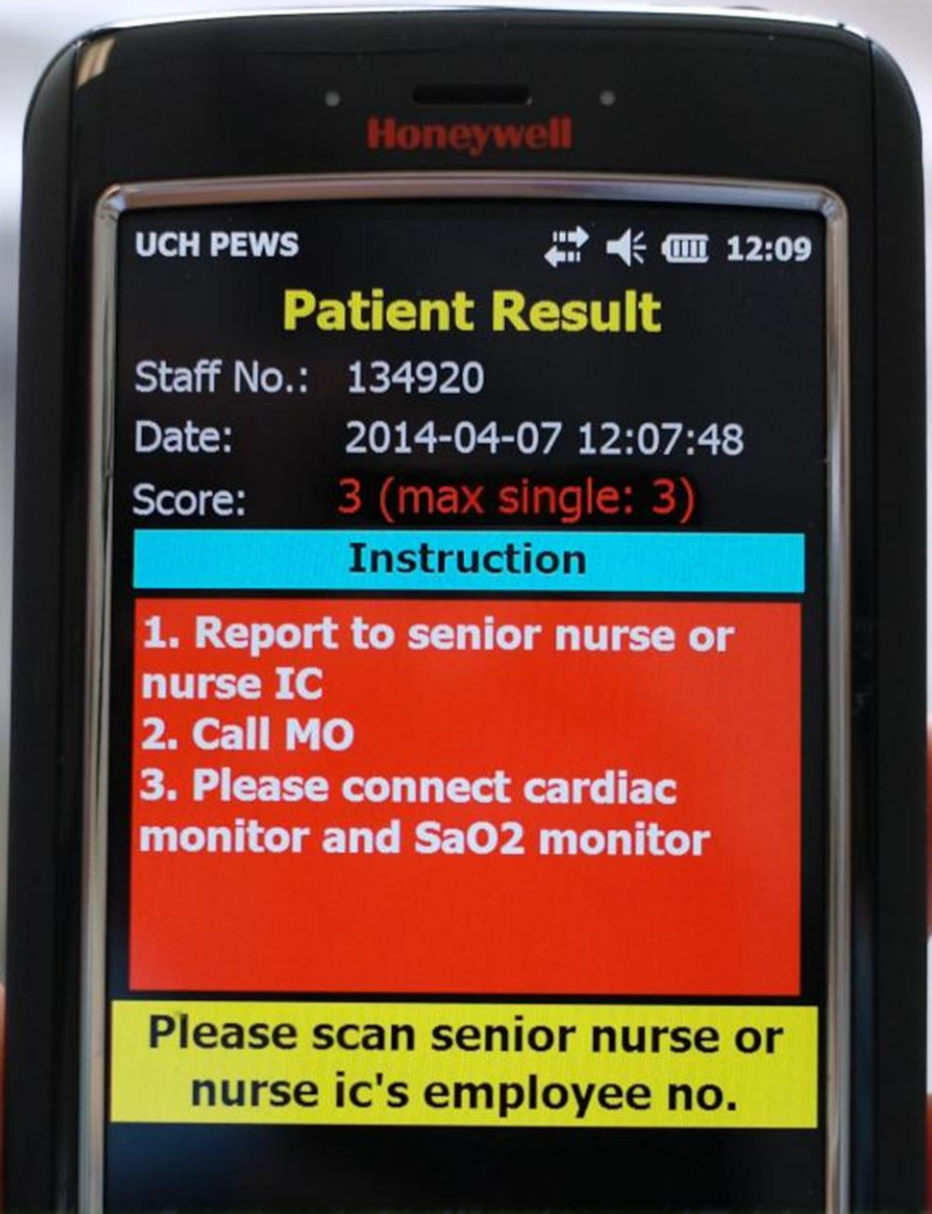
4. Push Notification for high score

通知你，PEWS 高分警
告，病房4D，床號12，
請按 1 字確認收到信息。

5. Next Observation

- Schedule next observation

- PEWS data will be sent to dashboard

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Dashboard

Results

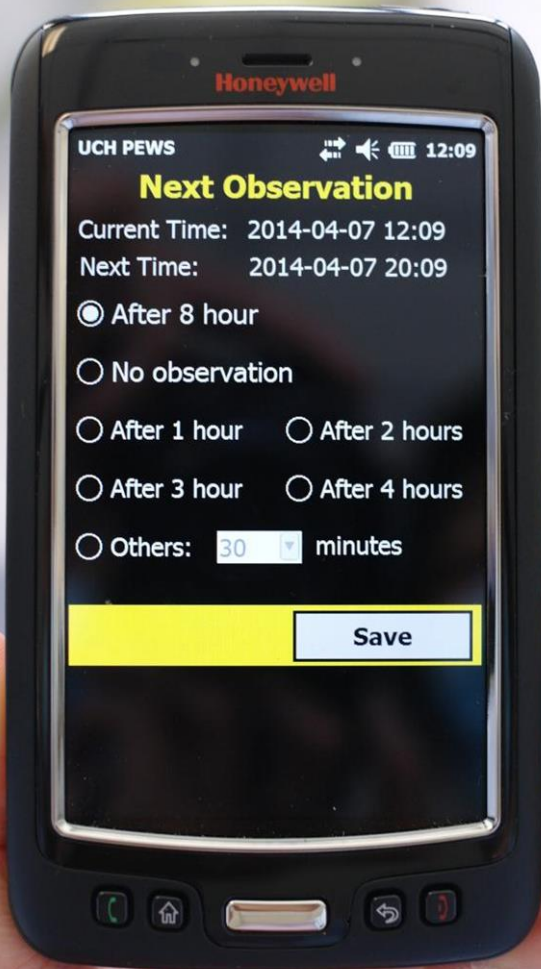| Date	PEWS Charting	High Scores	Admitted to PICU
1 Dec 2011 to 16 Oct 2013	27,480	3,533	35 (1.8%)
Another earlier pilot study had shown no false negative if the PEWS is low			
16 Oct 2013 to 21 Jan 2014	2,964	223	13 (5.8%)
The system was enhanced with refined stratification of the physiological parameters and oxygen support			

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Conclusions

The computerized PEWS system:

- To calculate the PEWS accurately

- To decrease nurses' workload and reduce errors

- To notify senior nurses early for prompt management

- To ensure proper documentation and allow data retrieval for medicolegal, research and audits purposes

Thank you

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