2017 Hospital Authority Convention 醫院管理局研討大會

ROAD TO ACHIEVE ZERO RETAINED
SURGICAL ITEMS INCIDENTS – USING
ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE TO SAFEGUARD
SURGICAL SAFETY IN OPERATING THEATRE

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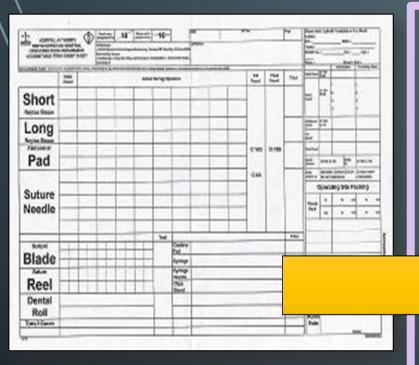


OBJECTIVES

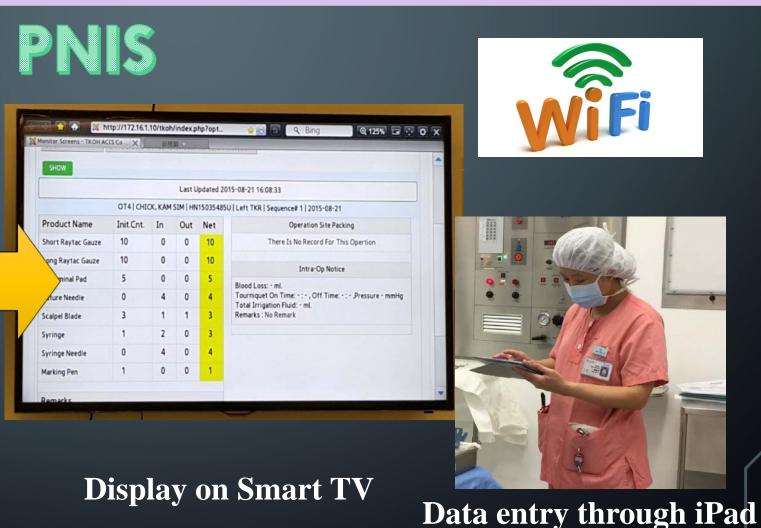
- To enhance patient safety in the perioperative setting, with an aim of achieving zero incident of retained surgical items (RSI)
- To enhance the efficiency and
 transparency of intraoperative
 documentation



HOW DOES THE SYSTEM WORK?



Cluster Based Count
Sheet + Intraoperative
Nursing Documentation



ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE OF PNIS

ALERT ON SMART TV

SCREEN TO ENSURE THE REMOVAL

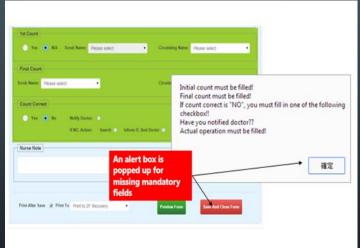
OF INTRAOPERATIVE PACKING OF SWAB

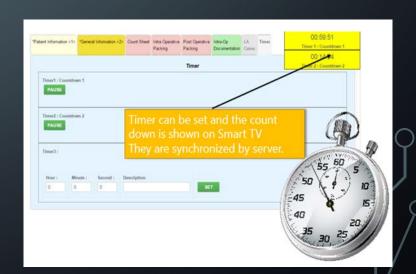
PROP-UP ALERT IN
IPAD FOR MISSING MANDATORY
DATA TO ENSURE ALL COUNTING
PROCESSES ARE CONDUCTED

ACTIVATE THE TIMER

FUNCTION ESPECIALLY FOR
REMINDING THE ADMINISTRATION OF
REGULAR MEDICATION









Convenient Concise Clear **Correct** Complete

RESULT

- No RSI and missing medication incidents in the operating theatres of TKOH
- Staff compliance rate were
 96%, 100% and 100%
 for three documentation audits.

SENTINEL EVENTS Q4 2013

Retained Consumables and Instruments (Continued)



An Abdominal Pad was Retained in the Abdomen



- Towards the end of caesarean section, the doctor asked for an extra abdominal pad while nurses were performing the counting process.
- · The extra abdominal pad was not documented in the Count Sheet.
- 2 days after the operation, the patient had left abdomi
- Ultrasound revealed a radio-opaque thread-like sha
- The abdominal pad was removed surgically.



Abdominal pad with radio-opaque thread (in blue

Key Contributing Factors:

- 1. Non-compliance with the counting process.
- Ineffective communication among team members.

Recommendations:

- 1. The counter-checking process should be performed and signed by the SAME nurse.
- The Count Sheet should be revised to include all gauzes and pads used and packed inside the wound.

