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### **Collaboration with Occupational therapy and Nurses in assist devices sharing**

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#### **Introduction**

In Rehabilitation & Palliative ward, Occupational therapy provides several assist devices such as shoulder sling, shoulder immobilizer, arm trough, cushion, arm cushion, boxing glove, pressure garment and splint to the post stroke and terminal ill patient. The assist devices are support to those patients to reduce subluxation, reduce shoulder pain and dynamic joint compression of shoulder, elbow, and wrist during standing and ambulation etc. To facilitate Nurses and supporting staff use on that, a project entitled "Collaboration with Occupational therapy and Nurses in assist devices sharing" has been launched in Rehabilitation & Palliative ward on 1Q2017.

#### **Objectives**

- (a) Collaboration with Occupational therapy and Nurses to enhance and improve patient safety and quality of care
- (b) To update the model of assist devices
- (c) To facilitate nurses and supporting staff on using assist devices
- (d) To enhance nurses and supporting staff knowledge in assist devices

#### **Methodology**

The I2E2 (i.e. Inspiration, Infrastructure, Education and Evidence) strategies are adopted for facilitating the implementation of the project:

- (a) Discuss with Occupational therapy and ward management team about the concern of using assist devices
- (b) Conduct Ward Based Education (WBE) and invite Occupational therapy colleagues to share and educate nurses and supporting staff on using assist devices
- (c) Return demonstration on using assist devices

- (d) Collect staff feedback

**Result**

With the collaboration with Occupational therapy and Rehabilitation & Palliative ward management team, the project was successfully rolled out in 1Q2017. The project of “Collaboration with Occupational therapy and Nurses in assist devices sharing” was supported by ward staff.

The result of the project as follow:

- a) 2 Ward Based Education (WBE) has provided to ward staff
- b) Total 24 Nurses and 12 supporting staff attended the two sessions
- c) Positive feedback are collected from the ward staff

With a good initiative on enhancing quality of care to our colleagues, collaborative approach significantly contributes to a positive outcome to staff and patient caring culture. Inspiration, infrastructure, education and evidence (I2E2) are key elements for facilitation the change of practice. We have demonstrated our concerted efforts and synergy in contributing to the smooth implementation of project which in return helps in upholding the quality of patient care as well as creating positive practice environment and sustaining our mission.