

Medication CQI on Alert/ Aware of the Oxytocic Drug Prescription

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Wrong prescription: Common effects of Oxytocic agents

	Oxytocic agents	
Type	Syntometrine	Syntocinon
Active substances per ampoule	5 IU Synthetic Oxytocin + 0.5mg Ergometrine maleate	10 IU Synthetic Oxytocin
Effects	Prevention and treatment of postpartum uterine atony and haemorrhage	
Contraindications	May enhance the vasopressor effects of vasoconstrictors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hypertension • Asthma • Cardiac disorders 	
Route	IMI	First dose: IVI Repeated dose: IMI

Current practice

Using **“ALERT CARDS”** to strengthen the communication

Stick the **“ALERT CARD”** on injection receiver, and remove after the injection



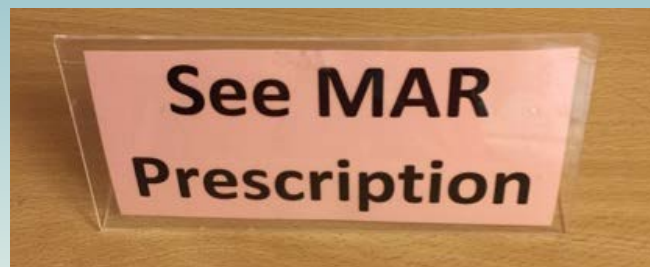
Improvement (1)

Nurses should be familiar on using the **“SBAR”** communication technique

SBAR	
S	Situation (Diagnosis/ Operation/ Problem)
B	Background (Reason of Admission/ Significant History)
A	Assessment (Vital Signs/ Investigation/ Client’s condition)
R	Recommendation (Treatment/ Action)

Improvement (2)

Place the **“ALERT CARD STAND”** in Delivery Room till patient transfer out



Improvement (3)

When “omit Syntometrine” is prescribed

• **A LONG ALERT CARD**
“omit Syntometrine” should be affixed to client’s master folder until discharge.

