

Medication Errors
and Adverse Drug Events



Can and Must
Be Prevented

Reducing Adverse Drug Events through Leadership

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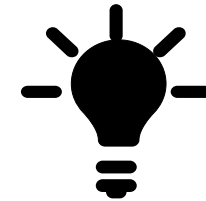
Research Questions



What are
Adverse Drug
Events?



What is
leadership?



Would
implementing
leadership, reduce
adverse drug
events?

Definition of Medical Errors



“Preventable event that caused inappropriate medication use or patient harm from medication given from healthcare professional”, (



Information on Adverse Drug Events

Also called, "Medication Errors“, “Administration Errors”, “Treatment Errors”

100 medication errors results in an adverse drug event- patient dies

Introduction: Adverse drug events (ADE)

Causes of Administration Errors

Inadequate written prescriptions, documentations, and transcriptions

Pharmacy dispensing errors and stock management

Misreading medication label, prescription, product



Causes of Administration Errors

High workload problems with access and functionality of equipment

Clinical staff being fatigued and stressed

Interruptions during medication administration



Introduction to Adverse Drug Events (ADE) Cont'd

- Where and when they occur
 - Emergency department
 - Intensive Care Units
 - Shifts - mostly 4am to 8am (overnight)
 - Patients receiving IV medications
 - Patients' homes
 - Hospitals, Clinics, Private practices



teamwork support
decision strategy
ethic vision integrity
Leadership
contribution communication
motivation influence
responsibility
planning management

Definition of Leadership



"**Leadership** is a process whereby an individual influences a group of individuals to achieve a common goal." - (Northouse, 2007 p.3)



Definition of Influence

Influence is the ability to complete work with others whom you have no direct authority of direct control over. Must build a trusting relationship.



Introduction: Leadership in Healthcare

Communication

"**Lack of communication** & **lack of Collaboration** may be responsible for as much as 70% of adverse events currently reported (Center for Creative Leadership, 2011)."



Definition of Teamwork


"Group of goal-focused individuals with specialized expertise & complementary skills who: **COLLABORATE, INNOVATE & PRODUCE CONSISTENTLY SUPERIOR RESULTS**"




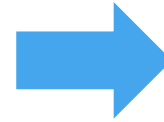
(Society for Human Resource Management, July 2015)



Research
Limitations



Less studies
conducted on
adverse drug events
and medication
errors



Based on articles
and past studies, not
my own study

Literature Review

Articles on:

Adverse drug events

Leadership

Communication

Search Terms: Adverse Drug Events

Adverse drug events, Drug safety, Medication errors, Healthcare errors, Treatment errors, Healthcare safety, Drug administration, Patients and medications, Medication safety

Data Sources

CINAHL, PsycINFO, EMBASE, PubMed, MEDLINE, National Institute of Health, Center for Creative Leadership

Methodology
& Procedure

Search Terns: Leadership

Leadership in healthcare, teamwork and healthcare, health administrative leadership, communication and leadership, communication and health professionals

Data and Results

Ways to Prevent ADEs 1

Understand how and why medication errors occur

Ways to Prevent ADEs 2

Stages they take place in written prescription from physician, pharmacy labeling, packaging, nurse administering

Ways to Prevent ADEs 3

Observe what causes the medication error as they occur- not refer to person directly involved with it

Ways to Prevent ADEs 4

Report medication errors to healthcare team of the patient

Conclusions

Trust

Leadership workshops improve the trust amongst healthcare team

Communication

Improve communication between clinicians during transaction and handoffs and must be clear when communicating with other healthcare professionals

Collaborate

Double check orders and collaborate with other clinicians and minimize distractions during administration of medications

Leadership

Everyone in the healthcare facility are **leaders**
The First person you lead is you!
Leadership leads to change using a shared vision



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Future Works

Interview healthcare professionals (Nurses, Physicians, and health administrators)

- About the current leadership in there facility
- Leadership workshops
- Communication amongst all health and non-health professionals in their workplace

Long term within my career and workplace

- Implement leadership workshop for all the professionals in the health facility
- Increase communication between the health administrators and clinical staff to reduce adverse drug events

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