A Practical Guide to Developing and Running Effective Nurse Led Pre-Assessment

As part of the multidisciplinary team
Wednesday 12 March 2008 • Manchester Conference Centre, Manchester

A one day practical conference which examines the role of nurses developing and running pre-assessment clinics, including:

- Nurse led pre-assessment: national update
- The importance of nurse led pre-assessment to meet the 18 week pathway
- A practical guide to setting up and running effective nurse led pre-assessment in practice
- Case study: nurse led pre-assessment of children requiring ENT day surgery
- Case study: telephone based pre-assessment
- Preparing patients for surgery: predicting and explaining risk, providing patient information and gaining consent
- Innovative tools to support pre-assessment
- Using audit and evaluation to support the development of nurse led pre-operative assessment
- Developing effective clinical and team leadership in pre-assessment
- Career development for pre-assessment nurses
- Developing and running nurse led pre-assessment: legal and risk management issues

Including
Department of Health presentation from Philippa Robinson, 18 Weeks National Implementation Director

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Chaired by Jane Jackson Chair Pre-operative Association and Consultant Nurse Pre-operative Assessment West Hertfordshire NHS Trust, the sixth national nurse led pre-assessment conference provides an important opportunity to hear about developments and future plans for improving nurse led pre-assessment and offers a practical guide to setting up and running effective nurse led pre-assessment in practice. The conference focuses on developing and improving nurse led pre-assessment to ensure quality of patient care and to support the delivery of the 18 week patient pathway, developing your leadership skills and demonstrating competence in advanced pre-assessment practice.

With the deadline for the delivery of the 18 week pathway at the end of 2008 fast approaching you will hear from Philippa Robinson 18 Weeks National Implementation Director Department of Health who discusses the importance of nurse led pre-assessment to meet the 18 week target and how the patient journey can be improved through redesigning services.

The conference closes with a legal and risk management session focusing on issues and challenges in practice and legal implications of working at an advanced level of practice. You will hear from experienced healthcare professionals about how effective pre-assessment can be maintained and how you can further and develop your career as a pre-assessment nurse.

Feedback from previous nurse led pre-assessment delegates

“Excellent speakers, all very engaging”
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“Very inspiring and motivating. Every session was interesting and relevant”
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Chairman: Jane Jackson Chair Pre-operative Association and Consultant Nurse Pre-operative Assessment West Hertfordshire NHS Trust

10.00 Chairman’s introduction – nurse led pre-assessment: national update

Jane Jackson
Chair Pre-operative Association and Consultant Nurse Pre-operative Assessment West Hertfordshire NHS Trust
- recent developments in nurse led pre-assessment
- national examples of good practice
- future plans for improving nurse led pre-assessment

10.30 The importance of nurse led pre-assessment to meet the 18-week pathway

Philippa Robinson
78 Weeks National Implementation Director Department of Health
- ensuring pre-assessment occurs at the most appropriate place in the pathway
- utilising pre-assessment services to identify patients who are not fit for surgery
- leading and coordinating the multidisciplinary team to meet the 18-week target and redesigning services to improve the patient journey

11.00 Questions and answers, followed by coffee and exhibition at 11.10

11.35 A practical guide to setting up and running effective nurse led pre-assessment in practice

Clare Evans
Consultant Nurse Perioperative Care
United Bristol Hospitals NHS Trust
- securing the necessary resources required for setting up your service
- developing protocols and guidelines to support your pre-assessment service
- working at an advanced level of practice: ordering and interpreting diagnostic investigations within a nurse led pre-assessment clinic

12.05 Developing and running effective nurse led pre-assessment: case studies

a) Nurse led pre-assessment of children requiring ENT day surgery

Linda Todd
ENT Nurse Specialist
Northumbria Healthcare NHS Trust
- assessing children requiring surgery: issues and challenges
- providing information to children and their parents
- improving your pre-assessment service: our experience

b) Telephone based pre-assessment

Marie Digner
Matron/Clinical Lead Outpatients Services
Bolton Hospitals NHS Trust
- implementing telephone based pre-assessment to reduce waiting times and meet the 18 week target
- obtaining information at pre-assessment to forward plan and reduce delays
- over coming the barriers and challenging traditional ways of working

12.55 Questions and answers, followed by lunch and exhibition at 13.10

FOCUS: Developing and improving nurse led pre-assessment to ensure quality of patient care and to support the delivery of the 18-week patient pathway

14.00 Preparing patients for surgery: predicting and explaining risk, providing patient information and gaining consent

Dr Nick Lavies
Consultant Anaesthetist and Clinical Lead for Pre-Assessment
Worthing and Southlands Hospitals NHS Trust
- preparing patients for surgery: physical, psychological and social factors that can affect clinical outcomes
- informing patients prior to surgery, explaining risk and providing an understanding of what to expect
- obtaining consent and reviewing the process as risk changes

14.25 Innovative tools to support pre-assessment

Janet Lynam
Pre-assessment Senior Nurse
The Hillingdon Hospital NHS Trust
- using a knowledge based IT system to support pre-assessment
- introducing new methods and changing traditional ways of working
- the potential benefits of using technology to support the development of pre-assessment services
- plans for the future to meet the 18-week target

14.50 Using Audit and evaluation to support the development of nurse led pre-operative assessment

Hilary Walsgrove
Pre-Op Assessment Lead Nurse
Royal Bournemouth Hospital and Programme Leader Bournemouth University
- using audit and evaluation to support the improvement and development of pre-operative assessment services
- demonstration of how audit and evaluation shaped pre-operative screening and led to development of nurse led pre-operative assessment in my own Trust
- sharing good practice across the whole organisation and beyond to improve the patient journey

15.15 Questions and answers, followed by tea and exhibition at 15.25

FOCUS: Career development: developing your leadership skills and demonstrating competence in advanced pre-assessment practice

15.45 Developing effective clinical and team leadership in pre-assessment

Amanda Beck
Clinical Leader Pre-operative Assessment
Airedale NHS Trust
- influencing, supporting, motivating and empowering the pre-assessment team
- making time for education and training in pre-assessment
- developing a systematic approach to ensure similar and equal pre-operative assessment

16.10 Career development for pre-assessment nurses

Jenny Bramhall
Nurse Consultant, Pre-operative Assessment
Heart of England NHS Foundation Trust and Founding Member The Pre-operative Association
- advanced nursing practice within pre-assessment: developing competence
- the career opportunities available for nurses working in pre-assessment
- my experience

16.35 Developing and running nurse led pre-assessment: legal and risk management issues

Deborah Jeremiah
Head of Children’s Law and Services
Bevan Brittan LLP
- legal implications of working at an advanced level of practice
- nurse led consent: key issues
- nurse led pre-assessment: issues and challenges in practice

17.00 Questions and answers, followed by close
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