Simulation in Clinical Areas

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Introduction:
- All relevant clinical staff in NMH do Neonatal Resuscitation Programme (NRP) every two years.
- Practical skills and knowledge-based course
- Clinical staff have very different continuing exposures to neonatal resus depending on their work area.
- Neonatal Resuscitation Committee decided to commence a hospital-wide education and awareness programme to provide

Methods:
- MDT: neonatologist and two neonatal resuscitation CNS, all NRP instructors,
- Seven tailored scenarios with case-based discussions.
- Team outside the canteen at lunchtime both days to maintain high level of awareness hospital-wide

Results:
- 2 days: 49 staff, six clinical areas.
- The ward-based scenarios and case-based discussions tailored specifically to be relevant to the specific clinical area.
- High level of engagement across all hospital staff at the canteen-based information station.
- 48 staff participated in the quiz, and highlighted areas that needed future attention.

Conclusions:
- Opportunity to participate in scenarios in departments with little regular exposure:
- Skill enhancement, highlight awareness, reduce anxiety
- Feedback positive, great staff engagement
- Delivering targeted training at ward level = relevant, targeted, accessible and useful