



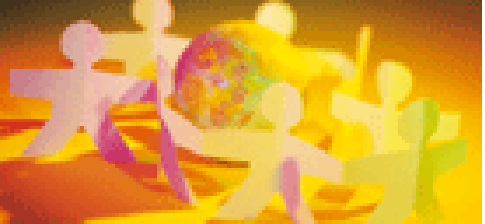
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Evaluation of the ICU Liaison Nurse Model in Victoria

ICU Liaison Nurse Forum

Friday 24 October 2008

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Purpose

- The purpose was to identify best practice ICU liaison nurse model and to ascertain the professional requirements for the nurses in this role.



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Sites visited in the UK

1. The Royal Free Hospital
2. Brighton & Sussex University Hospital
3. Royal Berkshire NHS Foundation Trust
4. Queen Alexander Hospital
5. Southampton General Hospital
6. Kingston Hospital
7. University College London Hospital
8. Royal Devon & Exeter NHS Foundation Trust
9. Derriford Hospital
10. Newcastle Upon Tyne Hospital Trust



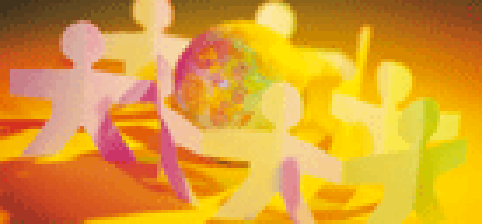
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Key differences – Position requirements

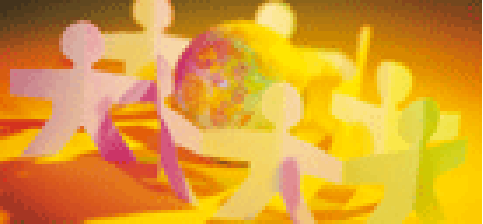
- Outreach teams have different classifications for staff working in the roles
- Nurse consultant position at Masters level
- Recognition for non-clinical role components
- Staff employed with qualifications other than ICU



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Hours of Operation

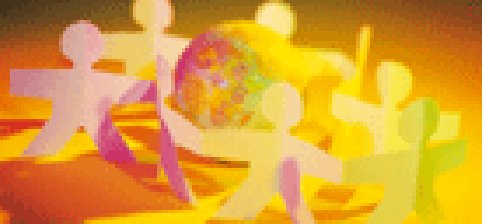
- 24 hour service
- 7 days per week
- 2 staff on per shift
- Responsibility delegated when no outreach staff member on duty.



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Scope of Practice

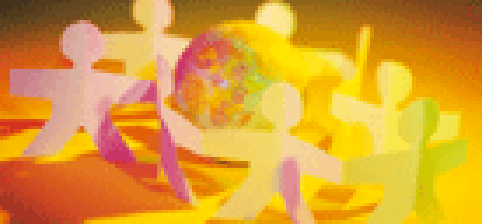
- Use of extended practices
- Nurse-led rapid response service
- Assist in external transfers
- All involved in BLS/ALS training
- Attend trauma calls in emergency dept
- All use an early warning system
- Follow up outpatient clinic



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Evaluation

- ICU readmission rates
- Point prevalence study for adherence to early warning system
- Signs of deterioration prior to cardiac arrest
- ICU mortality
- Hospital Outcome
- Number of cardiac arrest calls
- Number of “do not attempt resuscitation orders”



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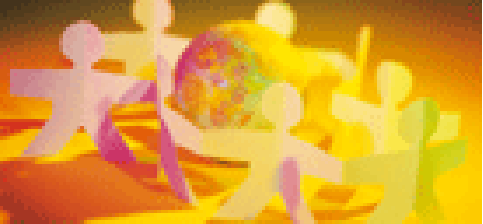
- Key role description
- Competency standards
- Position classification
- Qualifications (essential and desirable)
- Mandatory outcome measures
- Development of a database
- Development of flowcharts and other relevant tools
- Development of website
- Lobbying for funding



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Where to start

- Meet Thursday November 20th at DHS between 2 – 5pm
 - Quarterly meetings
 - Email communications
- Each site to complete survey
- List of names with phone number and email



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Thank you

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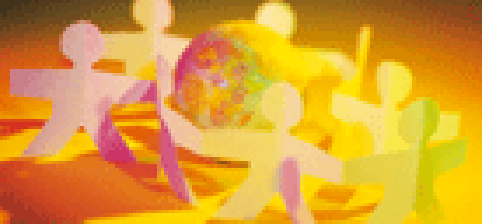
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