



KDCPMS Project Newsletter



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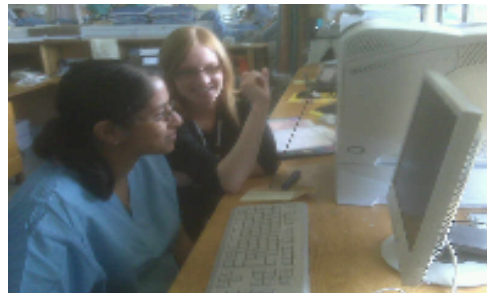
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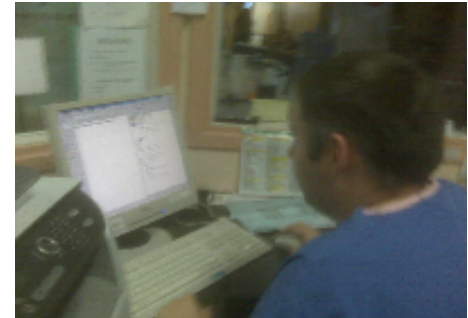
Another milestone reached!

On 20th September 2011, staff in the Renal Unit at Merlin Park Hospital commenced live usage of the eMED Renal System, closely followed by Mayo General Hospital (4th October) signalling further progress in the national KDCPMS project. A vast amount of work and effort was undertaken by the local Implementation Teams in the weeks and days prior to go-live to ensure that the project remained on schedule and met its target dates.

Both Merlin Park and MGH have set a very high standard for the remaining sites in terms of dedication and commitment to detail by the local project teams. A post-implementation review meeting will be held with Mediqal in approx 6 weeks to discuss feedback on system usage, outstanding queries/issues, identify additional educational requirements etc.



Denise Connolly, Renal Systems Administrator, Merlin Park Galway provides support to colleague Smitha Devasia who signs in the first HD patient on "live" eMed system on the 20th September 2011



Nurse John Coffey in Mayo General Hospital, Castlebar, adapts quickly to the eMed Application and is the first to sign in a HD patient 4th October 2011.

A ICT Support Framework protocol has been signed off and is in use at the five Renal active sites using eMEDRenal –see diagram below.

Phase 2 of the project has commenced and work is ongoing.

Confirmed sites for Phase 2a are Cork University Hospital and Kerry General Hospital. The local Implementation Teams have been established at each site. It is envisaged that this implementation stage will be completed early 2012.

Phase 2b deployment will commence in Q1 2012. Sites confirmed by Project Board are: Waterford Regional Hospital, Midlands Hospital Tullamore and Mid-Western Regional Hospital, Limerick.

Phase 3: Order of deployment to remaining sites will be decided by end 2011.



Project Update!

- The pre-implementation phase (migration of the existing renal database for Cavan, Sligo and Letterkenny Hospitals from the datacentre in Kells Business Park to the National Datacentre, Clonsaugh) was completed on 30th June 2011.
- The upgrade to eMEDRenal V3.0 took place 24th August. This coincided with the release of the Transplant module, a new addition to the system.
- BPG (Best Practice Group) meeting took place on 14th October:
Phase I of Irish Standard Build (ISB) will be signed off 30th November and includes following modules:
 - HD Management (eMEDRenal V3.0)
 - Clinical Management (eMEDRenal V3.0)
 Phase II: Clinical Leads will continue to review modules they have responsibility for.
Aim is to sign-off on modules in Phase II by 28th February 2012
- In parallel, on-going work packages are being developed in conjunction with the PB and BPG to ensure optimum system implementation:
 - National Configuration Standards
 - Minimum Lab Dataset
 - Pharmacy Requirements
 - Standard Operating Procedures
 - Quality Assurance Framework

Featureline- Passwords & Access Control

The HSE is legally required under the *Irish Data Protection Act 1988 & 2003* to ensure the security and confidentiality of the information it processes on behalf of its clients, patients and employees. HSE Information Security Policies can be found on :

http://hsetnet.hse.ie/HSE_Central/Commercial_and_Support_Services/ICT/Policies_and_Procedures/Policies/;

It is recommended that staff familiarise themselves with those policies relevant to their area of responsibility.

Password Standard Policy: To define a standard for the creation of passwords

As outlined in the 'HSE Password Standard Policy', passwords are one of the primary mechanisms that protect critical HSE information systems and other resources from unauthorised use. Poor password management and protection could allow unauthorised access to the HSE IT applications leading to potential inappropriate disclosure of confidential or sensitive patient information. Key points to remember :

- Passwords should not be shared amongst colleagues and users must only use accounts and passwords that are assigned to them.
- Passwords must contain a combination of letters, numbers and at least one special character (e.g \$,% , ^, &, *)
- Passwords should not be written down and left in convenient places – e.g. on or near your desk/laptop.
- Passwords should be changed at regular intervals.

Access Control Policy: To define the correct use and management of system level user access controls.

The HSE is committed to the correct use and management of access controls throughout the organisation. As part of the implementation process on each site, all staff who require access to the KDCPMS must complete a Network/application request form and a System Access Request form and get sign-off by the local designated Information Owner before they can be given access to the eMEDRenal system.

Deirdre Keown is currently drafting Standard Operating Procedures in relation to data use, access and accountability using the national renal information system. These will provide a clearer understanding of protocols, policies in alignment with national HSE ICT Policies & Procedures.

