**Anaphylaxis Box Re-Audit**

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**BACKGROUND**
- Anaphylaxis is a severe, life-threatening, generalised or systemic hypersensitivity reaction
- In 2013, each clinical area within HHFT was provided with a distinctive red “anaphylaxis box” for rapid, life-saving treatment

**OBJECTIVES**
- To ensure that all anaphylaxis boxes in the Trust are fit for purpose
- To assess what proportion of anaphylaxis boxes remain accessible
- To assess the contents of the anaphylaxis boxes
- To assess checking process for the anaphylaxis boxes

**METHODS**
- All boxes in the Trust were located and assessed
- The boxes were “benchmarked” for suitability with Trust guidelines

**INTERVENTIONS**
- All boxes re-supplied and relabelled to ensure that 100% were SAFE and fit for purpose
- Education of ward Sisters re checking frequency
- Findings presented at HHFT Resuscitation Committee meeting

**ACTIONS AGREED – April 2016**
- Checklist on outside of box
- New, clearer labels
- Education of ward Sisters to encourage them to check boxes weekly
- Re-Audit - February 2016

**KEY RESULTS – First Audit – OCT ’15**
- 95% boxes in a suitable location
- 56% were checked at least weekly
- 85% contained all the correct drugs
- 27% conformed to all parameters set

**KEY RESULTS – Re-Audit – APRIL ’16**
- 92% boxes in a suitable location
- 75% were checked at least weekly
- 92% contained all the correct drugs
- 39% conformed to all parameters set

**LEARNING POINTS**
- Change is difficult to implement!
- Trust policies aren’t always read/adhered to

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