



Wye Valley NHS Foundation Trust consolidates medication management with Better Meds

THE EPMA SYSTEM COMBINES DIFFERENT FUNCTIONS TO
PROVIDE ALL CLINICAL STAFF WITH AN INTEGRATED VIEW
OF A PATIENT'S MEDICATION HISTORY.



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CASE STUDY

Project scope



Serves population of 230,000



3 Community hospitals



Critical areas including Adult and Children inpatients, Emergency Department and ITU



1 Acute hospital



Out of area transfers

Challenges

- ⊙ Medicine prescription is paper based
- ⊙ Illegibility of medicine charts and patient prescriptions
- ⊙ Time consuming meds reconciliation
- ⊙ Lost and misplaced paper charts
- ⊙ Lack of control over time of medicines administration
- ⊙ Poor cost control and limited clinical governance

Solution

- ✓ Better Meds with clinical decision support software
- ✓ Medicines platform independent of supplier systems
- ✓ Integration with EPR system
- ✓ Integration of EDS for improved discharge summaries

Benefits

- ⊕ Providing a robust audit trail for the entire medicines use process
- ⊕ Prescribers and administrators are alerted to errors in real-time, preventing and reducing incidents
- ⊕ Improvements in care quality, safety, efficiency and user experience
- ⊕ Full access to all prescription data
- ⊕ Clinical governance through clinical decision support software
- ⊕ Cost reduction



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