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The Health Informatics Frontline







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Wirral Hospitals

- Large DGH / Small Teaching Hospital based on the "Wirral Peninsula"
- Long standing early adopter of Informatics.
- EPR implementation in early 90s.
 - Heavily customised American (Green Screen and light pen) system – HIMMS level 5/6 ?
 - Full EPx
 - O&RR
 - Clinical Documentation
 - Decision Support
 - Ageing (as are the staff that built it)
- The basis for IFH (NPfIT ?)
- Cerner Millennium replacement outside NPfIT.



Previously.....

- Director of Informatics UHSM for 8 years.
- Best of breed.
- Replacement cycle.
- Starting to hit some of the limits of best of breed.
- Opportunity to see if Cerner could deliver the dream.
- Exec Team / Board position
- Pay ?



Week in the life of....



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- Executive Team meeting;
 - Review of the cost improvement programme £16m to find on a budget of £300m.
 - Translate into a 6% reduction in Informatics expenditure.
 - We need to be more efficient which means a shorter length of stay, better organisation and less errors - great health care costs less?
 - Long discussion about the need to recruit another intensive care consultant. £100k cost pressure – more CIP.
 - Finalising the objectives for our Monitor annual plan submission.
- Back to the office
 - Catch up on emails
 - Cerner go-live getting close.
- International Nurses day
 - Ward managers replaced by Ward Sisters.
- Visit colleague in a community trust
 - Much enthusiasm to make lives better for patients and staff through the use of technology.
 - Expectations of the digital natives and (their parents?) massively beyond the industries ability to deliver.



Wednesday

- Take car to garage for warranty work.
 - Takes 15 mins to book me in and they haven't got a full record of work done previously at a previous garage.
 - Apparently all of the dealerships are franchises and are in competition.
 - Free cappuccino and a biscuit though.
- Visit medical records.
 - After nearly 20 years of being at the forefront of EPRs, Wirral is drowning in paper still.
 - Much of the paper record is printed from the EPR.
 - Need another 260m of shelving pace this year alone.
 - What's the solution, scanning or producing less and less?
- Meeting with auditors
 - Raised concerns with regard to ageing IT infrastructure.
 - Agreed to annual review of IT security.
- Meeting regarding Cerner go live communication.



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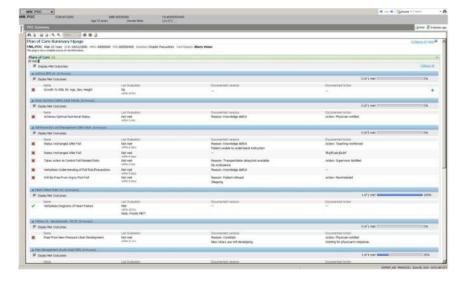
- Pickup car from garage very very broken!
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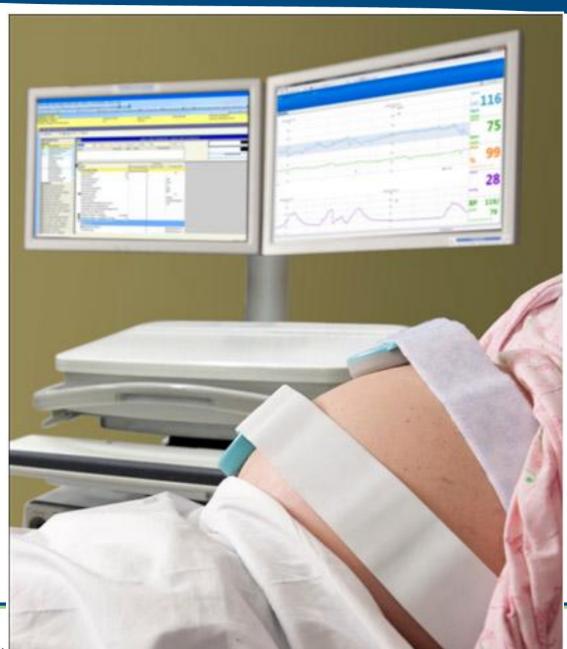


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- Monthly Transformation Group
 - Work on the wards to implement "Productive Ward" NHS Lean
 - Improvements in Theatre efficiency skilled data analysis.
- Meeting with a doctor looking for first Consultant post.
- Meeting with DOF money.
- Primary care engagement event communication
 - Priority telephone lines
 - Discharge summaries
 - Access to a shared HER
 - Web site
 - Telephone consultations.



Cross Cutting Themes

- Money.
- Service Improvement / Efficiency.
- Great care costs less.
- Big Data / Clinical Analytics
- Mobile Technology
- Patients at the heart of the service. ⇒



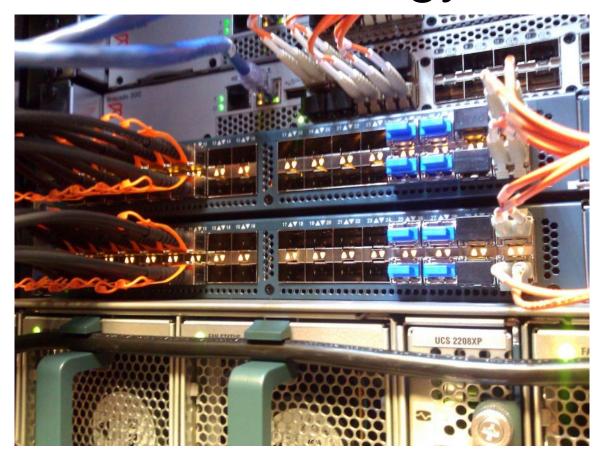






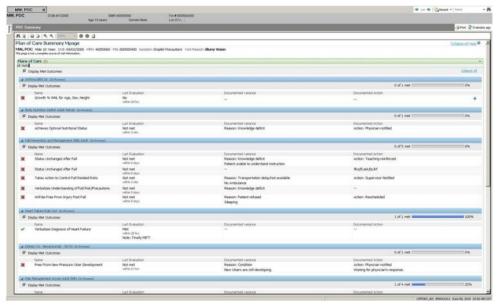


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