

## Knowledge Exchange Summary from SW Forum

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Brag and Steal – Regional and Provincial Rehabilitation Intensity Update
Southeastern Ontario Stroke Best Practice Symposium
Implementing Rehabilitation Intensity Inpatient Rehabilitation

#### Context

- Stroke Network of Southwestern Ontario held a rehab forum in October 2015
- Sites participated in a knowledge exchange related to rehabilitation intensity

Organization	Interventions	Outcomes/Lesson Learned
Grey Bruce Health Services, Owen Sound ON	Electronic Patient Therapy     Scheduling Board     Replaced large magnetic whiteboard with electronic version that is internet based     Create appreciation for scheduling the patient's day vs therapist's schedule	<ul> <li>Nsg can book in DI</li> <li>Colour blending can show 2 discipline working together</li> <li>Upfront time for training 4 – 6 hours for each staff members</li> </ul>
Huron Perth Healthcare Alliance, Stratford General Hospital	Value Stream Map — Patients day and Therapist Day  Selected opportunities to gain more time for therapy PSW's schedule was changed Bathing Project Breakfast Tray Time change Therapy schedule changes Scheduling/communication	<ul> <li>Patients up and ready for therapy, no breakfast delays, patient and staff satisfaction improved</li> <li>Involve the whole team in the problem and solution identification - include support areas</li> <li>The Patient's input is always required.</li> <li>Don't be afraid to change the solution, maybe a few times, until it achieves the desired results.</li> </ul>

# Highlights from SW Forum

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Bluewater Health	Stroke Rehab Team (shifting of staff to have dedicated stroke team) and on floor treatment • LEAN methodology	<ul> <li>Saves transport time</li> <li>Patient being seen 3 – 4 x day</li> <li>Collaboration</li> <li>Balancing needs of all patients</li> <li>Ongoing education to support changes</li> </ul>
Chatham-Kent Health Alliance	1) weekend coverage (added SLP) and 2) SLP complement (re-allocated SLP and CDA between inpatient and outpatient)	<ul> <li>Stroke patients have access 7 days/week</li> <li>Still need to enhance routine and environment on weekends (patients not up for therapy)</li> <li>Respect for clinical judgement for client's with low tolerance – may not receive 3 hrs/day - 7 days a week (ie alternate Sat or Sun)         Therapy teams creatively schedule types of activities according the patients' tolerance.     </li> </ul>

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Hotel Dieu Grace Healthcare	Staff resources –     weekend changes,     daily huddle for best     daily plan to use	<ul> <li>All processes have been m with positive and negative feedback.</li> <li>Managing change and read</li> </ul>		

#### 2. Documentation forms review, chart coming to therapy to save time charting 3. Processes – reviewing appropriate use of groups and rounds (length and purpose)

resources

- net
- Managing change and reactions to change.
- Ongoing reinforcement of the ultimate vision and acknowledge success
- Allow time for feedback.
- Provide specific expectations and not allow generalizations

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Grand River Hospital, Kitchener, ON	<ol> <li>Model of care change on the inpatient rehabilitation unit, with focus on creation of therapy "teams" for neuro and non neuro patient groupings, as well as increased therapy presence during morning routine (0700 – 0830).</li> <li>Communication boards for patients as well as for therapists to track the amount of therapy patients are receiving daily</li> <li>Group programming to free up therapists time for more task specific 1:1.</li> <li>** did add additional PT/OT/TA to bring to best practice ratios in addition to the practice changes</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>Ensure clear role definition for all staff, particularly in morning routine and ADL activities.</li> <li>Review FIM documentation and ensure that staff are utilizing the tool effectively.</li> <li>Investments in therapy staff, including replacement for vacation and sick time are critical.</li> <li>Don't underestimate the impact of group therapy on providing increased access to 1:1 time with therapists.</li> </ul>		

### SW - Forum: SWOSN resources

- Developed Patient Centred Communication Tools
  - Patient Information Stroke Rehab
  - Family Letter
- Suggestions for Making rounds more Effective