# Optimizing EMR Use for Mental Health Care

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## **Mitigating Potential Bias**

 Potential sources of bias identified in slides 1 and 2 have been mitigated as all order sets, templates, decision support discussed in this presentation could be built in other vendor EMRs. The content discussed is vendor-agnostic and is equally relevant to all EMRs.





## **Objectives**

- At the end of this presentation, participants will:
  - Be familiar with how EMR customization can be used to improve quality and reduce unnecessary variation in mental health care
  - Understand order set development approaches for mental health practice
  - Be aware of how EMR usage can promote interprofessional collaboration, improved efficiency of documentation and optimized patient engagement



## **Understanding the Context**

- Ontario Shores was the first Hospital in Canada (and first mental health hospital in the world) to achieve HIMSS EMRAM Stage 7 and the Nicholas E. Davies Award of Excellence
- Strategic initiatives at the organization have included implementing the Recovery Model, Minimization of Restraint and Seclusion, and implementing UK NICE clinical practice guidelines and HQO mental health quality standards
- Major focus on patient engagement initiatives



## Improving Quality in Mental Health Care

- Customized documentation templates that support clinical practice guideline or quality standard adherence
- Build adherence monitors and exception handling into documentation templates
- Discrete data collection and reporting for quality improvement initiatives
- Trigger orders/order sets based on answers to documentation queries

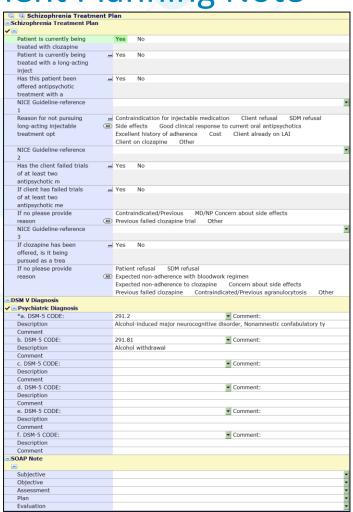
 Warning: Unlike Other Areas of Inpatient Medicine/Surgery, order sets are not the primary means to improve quality in mental healthcare



## **Example of Documentation Template**

### Schizophrenia Treatment Planning Note

- Completed within 28 days of admission of any individual with a primary diagnosis of Schizophrenia
- Less than 1 minute to complete, but prompts MD and provides exception handling for deviations from HQO quality standards for Schizophrenia







## **Example of Documentation Template**

## Major Depression Follow-Up Note

 Completed as the progress note for every follow-up appointment for individuals with a primary diagnosis of major depression

Supports measurement-based care, aggressive treatment targets and

movement through an algorithm

Depression Follow-Up	iote	
Patient health questionnaire 9		
■PHQ-9		
Instructions		
<ol> <li>Little interest or</li> </ol>	0 - Not at all 1 - Several days 2 - More than half the days	
pleasure in doing things	3 - Nearly every day	
<ol><li>Feeling down,</li></ol>	0 - Not at all 1 - Several days 2 - More than half the days	
depressed, or hopeless	3 - Nearly every day	
<ol><li>Trouble falling or</li></ol>	0 - Not at all 1 - Several days 2 - More than half the days	
staying asleep, or	3 - Nearly every day	
sleeping too much		
<ol><li>Feeling tired or having</li></ol>	0 - Not at all 1 - Several days 2 - More than half the days	
little energy	3 - Nearly every day	
<ol><li>Poor appetite or</li></ol>	0 - Not at all 1 - Several days 2 - More than half the days	
overeating	3 - Nearly every day	
6. Feeling bad about	■ 0 - Not at all 1 - Several days 2 - More than half the days	
yourself - or that you are	3 - Nearly every day	
a failure or		
7. Trouble concentrating	0 - Not at all 1 - Several days 2 - More than half the days	
on things, such as reading	3 - Nearly every day	
the news		
<ol><li>Moving or speaking so</li></ol>	🔐 0 - Not at all 1 - Several days 2 - More than half the days	
slowly that other people	3 - Nearly every day	
could have		
<ol><li>Thoughts that you</li></ol>	O - Not at all    1 - Several days    2 - More than half the days	
would be better off dead	3 - Nearly every day	
or of hurting		
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Clinical Response		
PHQ-9 total score		
Depression Severity Guide		
Depression severity		
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these problems made		
work/relationships		

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## **Example of Exception Handling**

## **Antipsychotic Polypharmacy Prompt**

 Notice triggers MD to review antipsychotic polypharmacy and document rationale for same

Reason for Multiple Antipsyo  Primary Reason	ho	
Reason for second	Cross - Titration	Admit on Combo Short Stay
antipsychotic:	Treatment Resistance No Clozapine	Partial Improvement
	Treat-Resistnce Post Cloz	Patient Choice
	Treat-Resistnce Efficacy	Other's Advice
	Different Effects	PRN Specific
	Faster Response	Augment Clozapine
	Different Mechanisms	Mood Stabilizer
	Admitted on Combo	
Guidelines to select		
reason:		

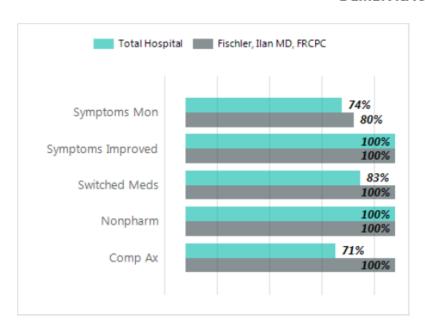


## **Using Data for Quality Improvement**

## Physician Quality Standard Dashboard

- Review adherence to quality standards compared to peers
- Reported at organizational, programmatic, unit and individual physician level

#### DEMENTIA INDICATORS



Category	Numerator	Denominator	Percent
Comp Ax	3	3	100.0%
Nonpharm	5	5	100.0%
Symptoms Mon	4	5	80.0%
Switched Meds	1	1	100.0%
Symptoms Improved	1	1	100.0%



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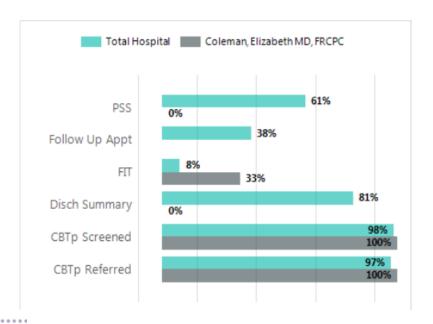


#### **Quality Standards | Physician Scorecard**

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#### SCHIZOPHRENIA INDICATORS



Category	Numerator	Denominator	Percent
CBTp Screened	15	15	100.0%
CBTp Referred	12	12	100.0%
FIT	1	3	33.3%
Follow Up Appt	0	0	-
Disch Summary	0	1	0.0%
PSS	0	1	0.0%



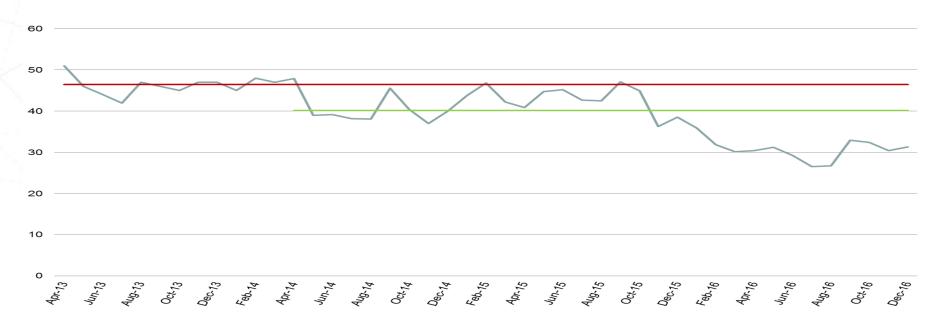


## **Using Data for Quality Improvement**

## **Antipsychotic Polypharmacy Trending**

- Compare rates at medical staff association meetings
- Academic detailing as part of resident quality improvement project

% Patients Prescribed > 1 Antipsychotic (Excl. Cloz.)



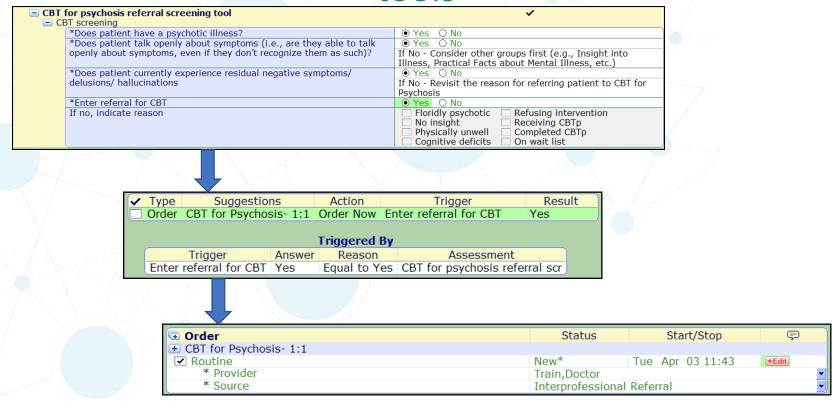


Total Hospital



## **Automated Decision Support**

Automated referrals based on answers to screening tools



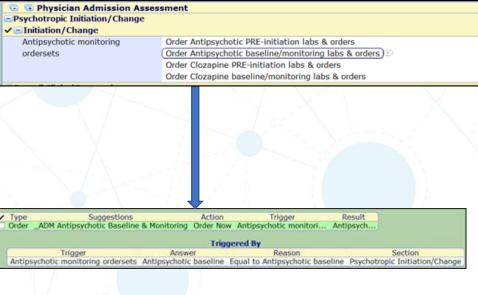




## **Automated Decision Support**

Physician documentation triggers best-practice standards for metabolic monitoring

Physician Admission Assessment



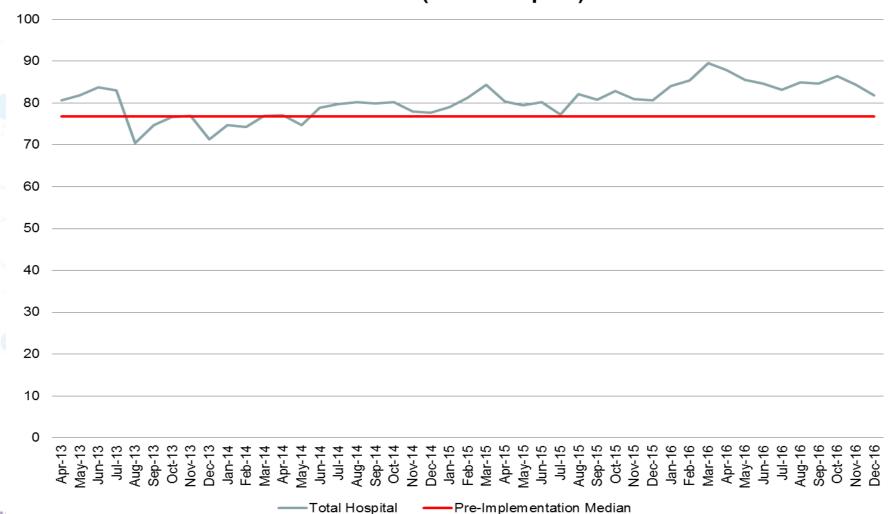






## **Metabolic Monitoring Trends**

% of Metabolic Monitoring Completed at Recommended Intervals (Total Hospital)







## **Order Set Creation and Optimization**

- Diagnosis-based order sets do not work well in Psychiatry
- Order sets serve 2 main functions in Psychiatry
  - Convenience/efficiency
  - Evidence-based practice
- Consider treatment-based order sets versus diagnosis-based order sets
- Embed decision-support/exception handling and rules into order sets where possible
- No vendors to support this work; create mechanism to ensure regular review of content



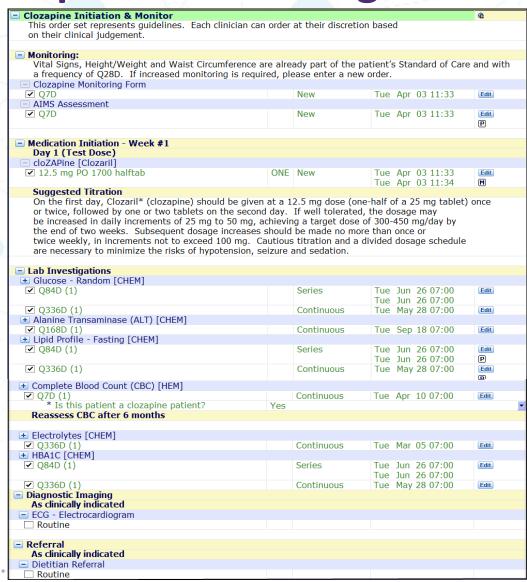
## **ECT Pre-Initiation Order Set**

Order	Status	Start/Stop	<b>P</b>
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This order set represents guidelines. Each clinician can	order at their discretion	on based on their clinica	l judgement.
<ul> <li>Preliminary Investigations</li> <li>1. CBC &amp; differential if not done in the last 28 days or</li> <li>2. Urea, creatinine &amp; electrolytes if patient is diabetic, may cause hyponatremia.</li> <li>3. INR, PTT for patient on anticoagulation.</li> <li>4. Chest x-ray is required if history or exam suggests or pulmonary disease.</li> <li>5. Cervical spine x-ray is required if patient has suspeed.</li> <li>6. ECG is required on all patients.</li> <li>7. Anaesthesia consult is required on all patients.</li> </ul>	, receiving diuretics, li cardiovascular	thium or psychotropic m	eds which
Diagnostic Imaging			
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■ ECG - Electrocardiogram			
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- Lab orders			
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■ Electrolytes [CHEM]			
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■ INR [HEM]			
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■ Alkaline Phosphatase [CHEM]			
Routine			
Aspartate Transaminase (AST) [CHEM]			
Routine			
■ Bilirubin - Direct [CHEM]			
Routine			
■ Bilirubin - Total [CHEM]			
Routine			
■ Albumin [CHEM]			
Routine			
Glucose Fasting [CHEM]			
Routine			P
■ Lipid Profile - Fasting [CHEM]			
Routine			P
Thyrotropin (Sensitive TSH) [CHEM]			
Routine			
Free Thyroxine (T4) [CHEM]			
Routine			
■ Referrals			
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■ Anaesthesia Consult			
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## **Clozapine Monitoring Order Set**







## Improving Efficiency of Documentation and Workflow

- Use tick boxes in place of narrative where appropriate
- Allow patients or inter-professional staff to document what has traditionally been the domain of the physician
- Create interfaces between patient-facing scales/templates and the EMR
- Revisit workflows
- Automate notification of important clinical events
- Create inter-professional assessments
- Create standard lists of community resources that can be added to note with one click



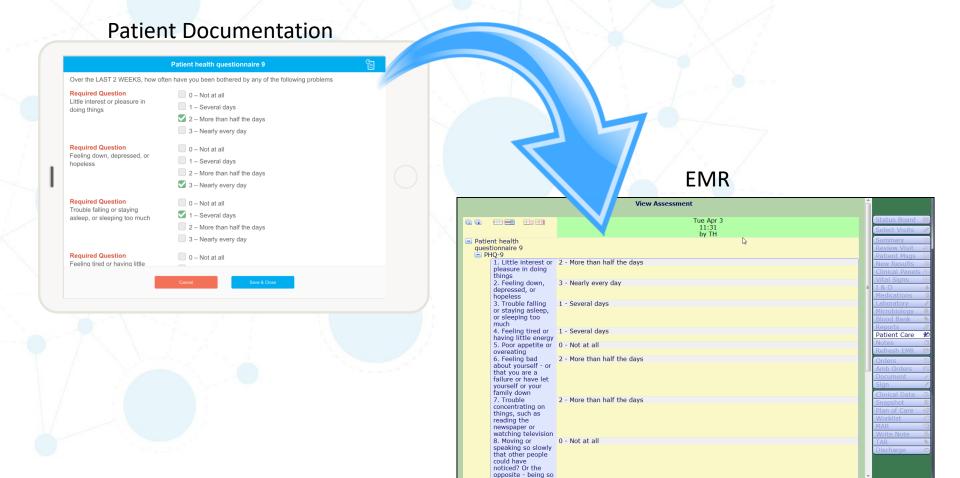
## **Using Tick Boxes Where Appropriate**

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Appropriate Bulky Dishevelled Clean Unclean Unusual
Comfortable Peculiar body posture Slumped Slouched Rigid Threatening
Attentive Avoidant Staring Fleeting
Appropriate Hyperarousal Entr othrs space/intrusiv Ridgidity
Psychomotor retardation Psychomotor agitation Compulsive behaviors
Compulsive exercising Unusul/abnormal movements Impulsive behaviours
Cooperative Withdrawn Apathetic Apprehensive Guarded
Aggressive Suspicious Irritable Seductive Angry Paranoid
Resistive
No problems identified Unable to Assess Soft Loud Pressured
Rapid Slow Selective mutism Echolalia Incoherent Slurred
Paucity Aphasic Mumbling Language barrier Unable to speak
Euthymic Dysphoric Sad Elated Anxious Angry Fearful Irritable
Flat Blunted Normal Expansive Labile Constricted
Yes No





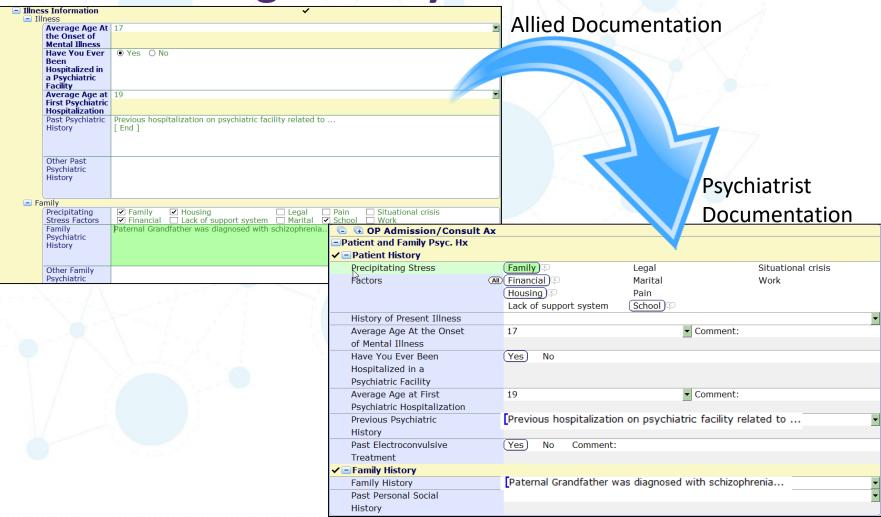
## Patient Documents PHQ-9 Which Flows into EMR







## **Example of Allied Staff Documentation Pulling into Psychiatrist's Consult**





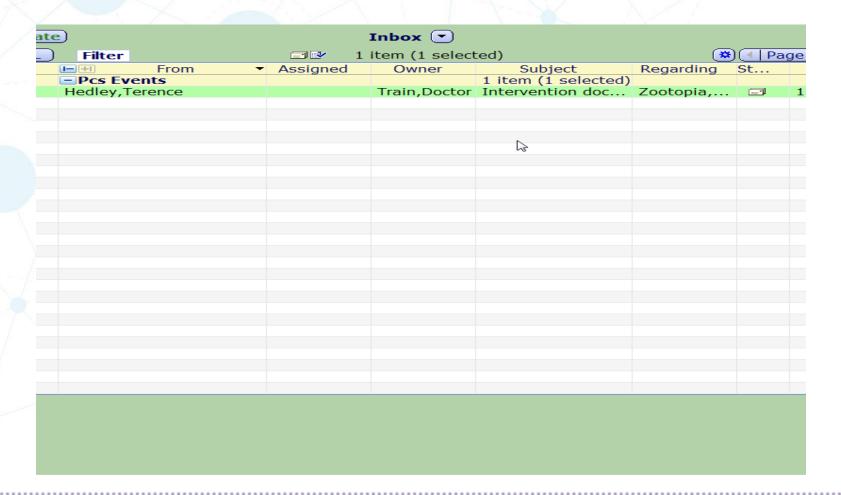


## **Revisiting Workflows**

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## Automating Notices for Important Clinical Events





## **Patient Portal**











The Future



Messaging

functionality

allows service

users to send

messages to providers

any non urgent

Display clinical data, including reports, allergies & conditions.

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View medications, education materials and renew medications Ability to view all upcoming booked appointments & appointments can be requested, cancelled, & rescheduled directly from the portal

Ability to view & request updates to demographic information

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The ability for service users to document within their chart







