

Operational Consultancy

Clinical Engineering Quality Management System for Clinical Engineering at Cambridge University Hospitals NHS FT







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Implementation of a Transformational Quality Management System for Clinical Engineering at Cambridge University Hospitals NHS FT



Project Description

To comply with national guidance in the UK, Clinical Engineering departments are required to implement an ISO 9001 compatible certification system. Such a system was developed and implemented on behalf of Cambridge University Hospitals, UK. The implementation extended to the selection and implementation of key performance indicators which provided a framework for performance monitoring, quality reporting and executive level reporting on medical device management.

The project led to the introduction of a risk based approach to medical device maintenance strategies, life cycle management and strategic replacement and procurement investment.

Governance structures were developed to support senior executives and provide a framework for the safe management of medical devices.

Latterly, additional roles have been introduced to cater for compliance with recalls and safety updates issued by the regulator or manufacturer.

HTS'Role

HTS provided programme leadership and a range of expertise covering:

- Configuration and implementation of a Quality Management system and associated management software.
- Implementation of key performance metrics within the EBME management software suite.
- Development of the CUH Medical Device Management Policy and Governance structures.
- Development of service improvement strategies to improve compliance with required maintenance standards.
- Introduction of RFID tracking systems to improve availability and utilization of medical device assets.

Client Benefit: Best-Practice in Management of Medical Devices