

Productive Ward

Releasing time to Care



Why are we implementing Productive Ward (Releasing Time to Care)?

Nurses and Midwives continuously strive to provide optimal patient care. However, complex healthcare environments and processes often create competing demands on their time and their ability to spend quality time with patients. The *Productive Ward – Releasing Time to Care*, focuses on improving ward processes and creating environments that assist Nurses and Midwives to spend more time on direct patient care.

Working with the program will:

- Enhance patient safety
- Improve workplace efficiencies
- Improve patient's experience
- Improve staff well-being and job satisfaction.

What Does Productive Ward (Releasing time to care) Involve?

The Productive Ward program is designed for self-directed learning using clear step-by-step instructions across individual modules. The program uses 'common sense' methods, and an approach that empowers frontline staff to design their own solutions and improvements.

Productive Ward is made up of three foundation modules and eight process modules.

The foundation modules include:

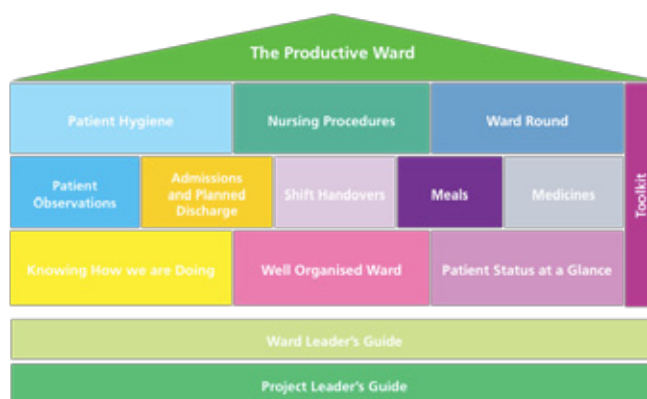
- Knowing How we are Doing (collecting local data to inform decision making)
- Well Organised Ward
- Patient Status at a Glance

The process modules include:

Patient Observations	Medicines
Admissions and Planning Discharge	Patient Hygiene
Shift Handover	Nursing Procedures
Meals	Ward Rounds

The Productive Ward program supports staff by providing comprehensive module handbooks, training and information to build the skills they need to enhance the care they provide.

The Productive Ward Modules



SLHD Nursing and Midwifery Implementation of Productive Ward

Productive Ward will be introduced in selected clinical units across the district through a staged implementation process.

Facilities and Services Involved:

Royal Prince Alfred, Concord, Canterbury and Balmain hospitals, SLHD Mental Health Service

Productive Ward Training:

Takes place over two days and is provided by CEWD staff

All wards implementing Productive Ward will have support meetings with the Project Lead.

At six months post implementation wards will have an opportunity to present their achievements to the members of the SLHD Nursing and Midwifery Patient Care Initiatives Governance Council

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