



Use of Improvement Methodology to Introduce a Sedation Hold (in ventilated patients) Within 4 Hours of Admission to ICU



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## Sedation in ICU – Why the Need for Change

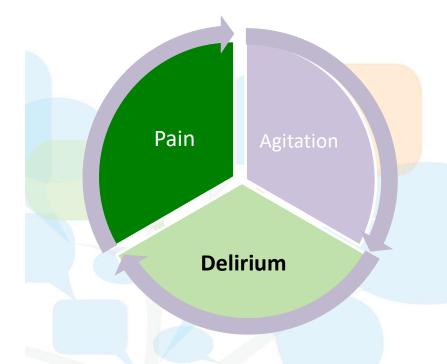


- Sedatives cause patient harm and are strongly linked with delirium
- A risk of prolonged mechanical ventilation
- ICU length of stay
- hospital mortality (Delaney et al, 2018)



## Background





Pain, Agitation and Delirium
Scoring Tools
By assessing, treating and
preventing all of the above will:
↓ mechanical ventilation duration
↓ ICU and hospital length of stay
↑ ICU throughput (less bed shortages)

## Pain, Agitation, and Delirium Are Interrelated



Barr J, et al. Crit Care Med. 2013;41:263-306.



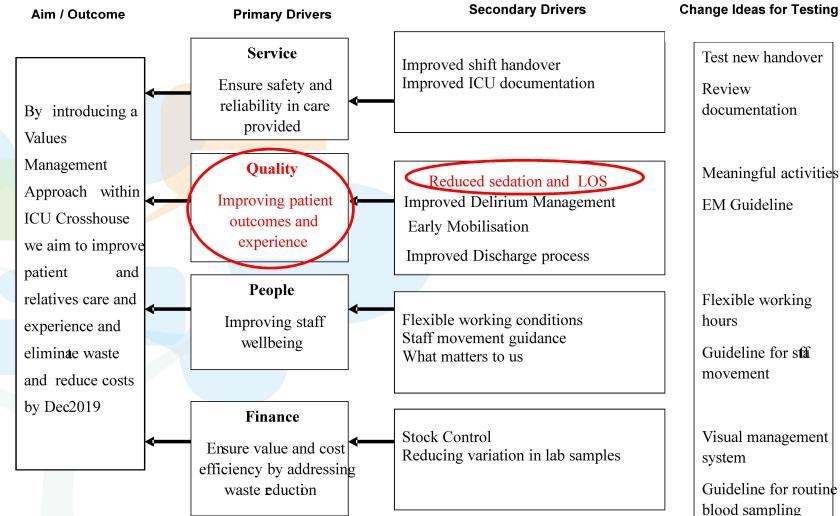
## The Values Management Approach

The Values Management approach outlined a plan initially tested by NHS Highland and IHI, which aims to improve both patient and relative outcomes and experience whilst eliminating waste and reduction in efficiency savings

#### University Hospital Crosshouse ICU

#### Introduction of a Values Management Approach



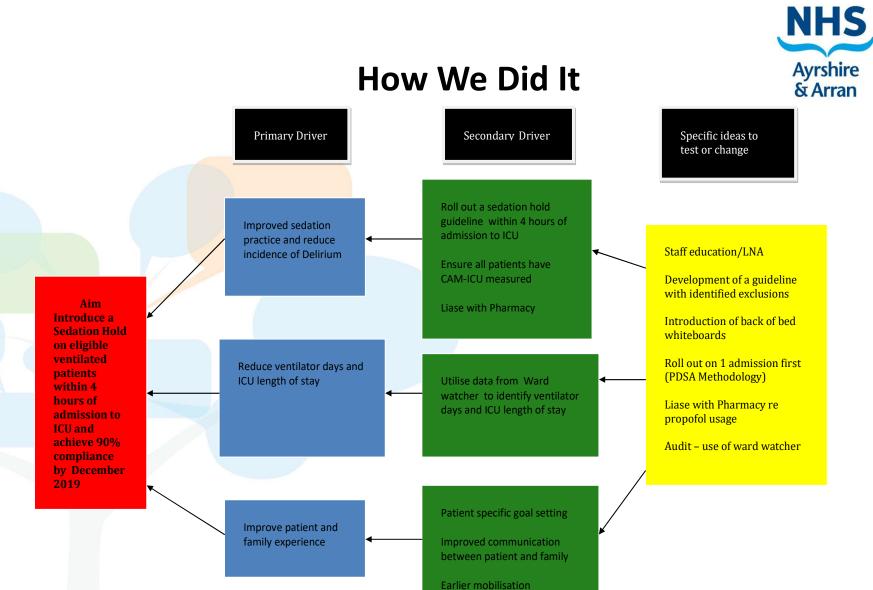




## Quality Sedation Hold within 4 hours of Admission

Invested interest Project already in progress Positive patient outcomes Continued improvement work

#### How We Did It



## Measurement Plan



#### **Process Measures**:

- % compliance with 4 hour sedation hold on all eligible ventilated patients
- % of patients who required to be restarted on propofol

#### **Outcome Measures:**

 To reduce delirium in our patients and reduction in ventilator days and ICU length of stay

#### **Balancing Measure:**

Reduction in Propofol Usage



## Phase 1&2 - Education and Awareness Sessions



Visit to Glasgow Royal Infirmary (Feb 2018)
Presentation at last ICU Study Day (March 2018)
Bed side information – formation of admission Crib Sheet
Design of Whiteboard

#### **CROSSHOUSE ICU ADMISSION CRIB SHEET**

Use as a reference when admitting a patient and completing white board

#### **Standard Care**

#### **Specific Considerations**

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	Septic Shock	Pneumonia
_	Fluid challenge CVC Blood cultures Abx – check time last given Prescribe vasopressors	Atypical screen and sticker Blood cultures Sputum culture
	Post Cardiac Arrest	Head Injury
	Apply criticool – Aim 36.0 °C Aim pCO2 4.5-5.5 Aim MAP >80	Pupils Control pCO2 4.5-5kPa Tape ETT Head-up 30 <sup>o</sup>
	Miscellaneous	
	Group and save – sample sent? Blood available? Location? Update family	

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Measure height Record tidal volume on whiteboard as per IBW Record targets on white board MAP SpO2 Document sedation hold target time (If no exclusions – see overleaf)

#### **Samples & Investigations**

Urinalysis +/- pregnancy test Bloods (BBV if RRT predicted) ECG CXR MRSA Sputum and urine culture

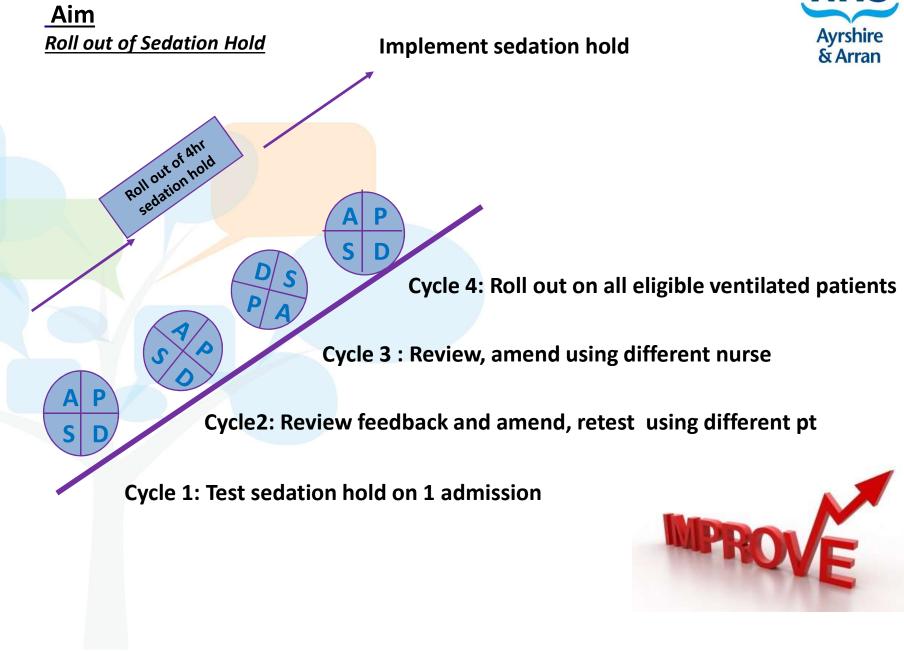
#### Sedation Hold – Potential Exclusions

Therapeutic temperature management Status epilepticus Difficult ventilation - Paralysis - Prone Position

Head injury / ICP management Airway concerns Business\Acuity of the Unit



## Use of PDSA for testing change NH

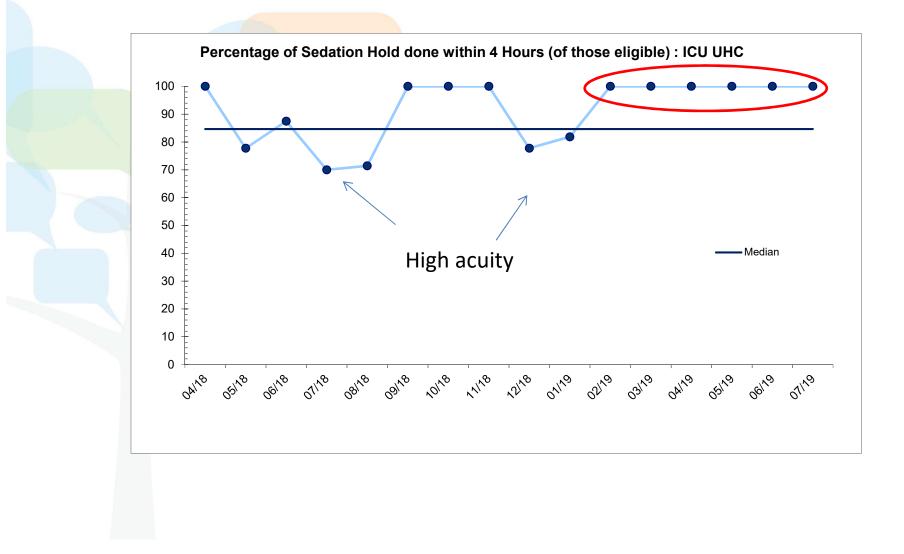




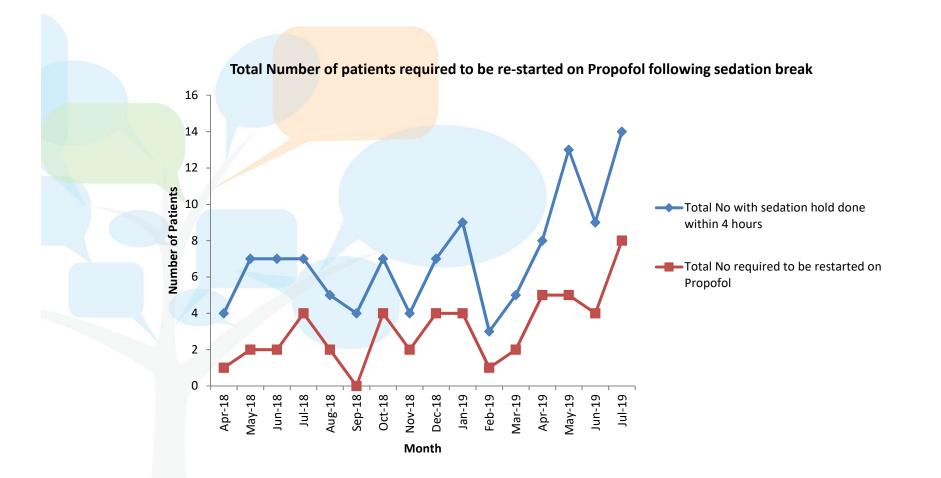
## **Baseline Data**



% compliance with 4 hour Sedation Hold



## Number of pts restarted on NHS Propofol





Results so far.....



• 90.4% compliance with the 4hr sedation hold in all eligible ventilated patients since roll out in April 2018

• Only 44% of those patients required to be restarted on propofol

 Potential cost benefit - £360 per year



Results so far.....



- Difficulty capturing ventilation time as Ward Watcher works in days rather than hours
- Lack of Care View
- GRI reported a drop in 1 whole ventilator day once there 4 hour sedation hold was embedded in practice
- Monitoring CAM-ICU daily to detect presence of delirium

## Challenges Along the Way.....

• Staff opinion



- Challenges of a busy ICU
- Is 4 hours long enough?
- Increased Improvement work 'big ask of staff'
- Valid exclusions

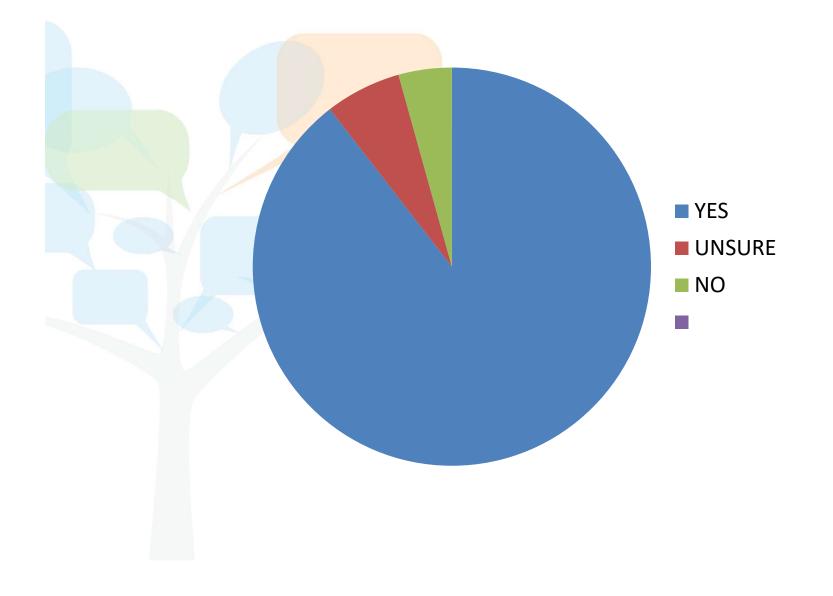


## Staff Opinion



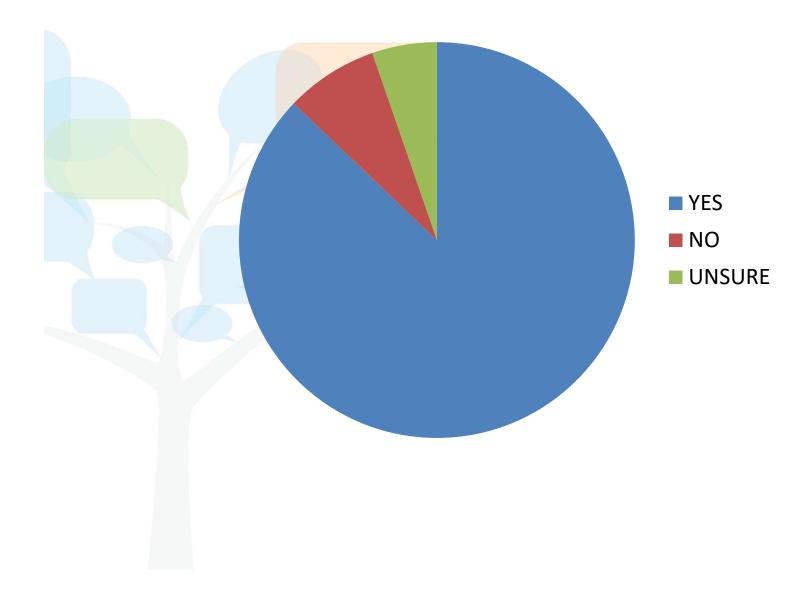
- LNA carried out
  - looked at staff perception/opinion
  - 80% compliance

# Do you think the 4 hour sedation NHS hold is effective?



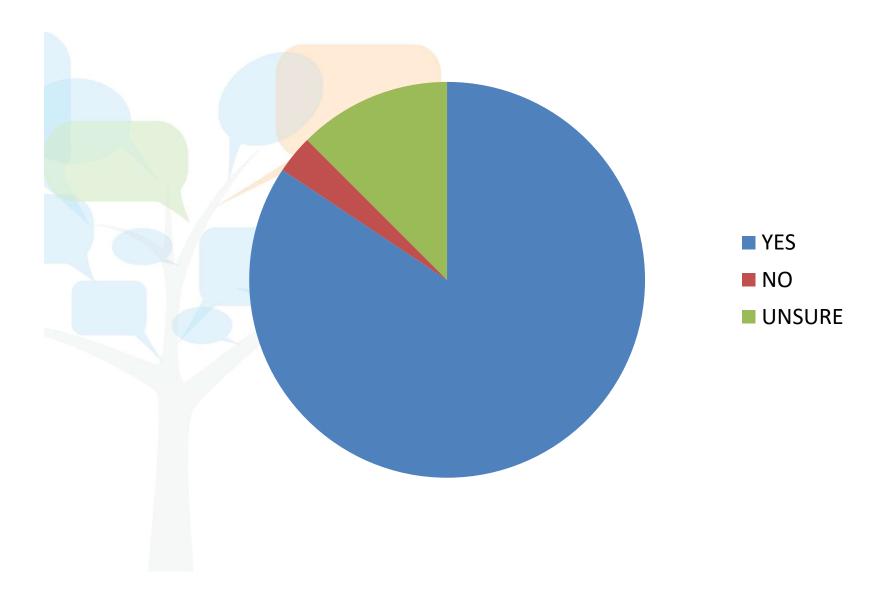
# Are we extubating our patients quicker?





## Are we using less Propofol?

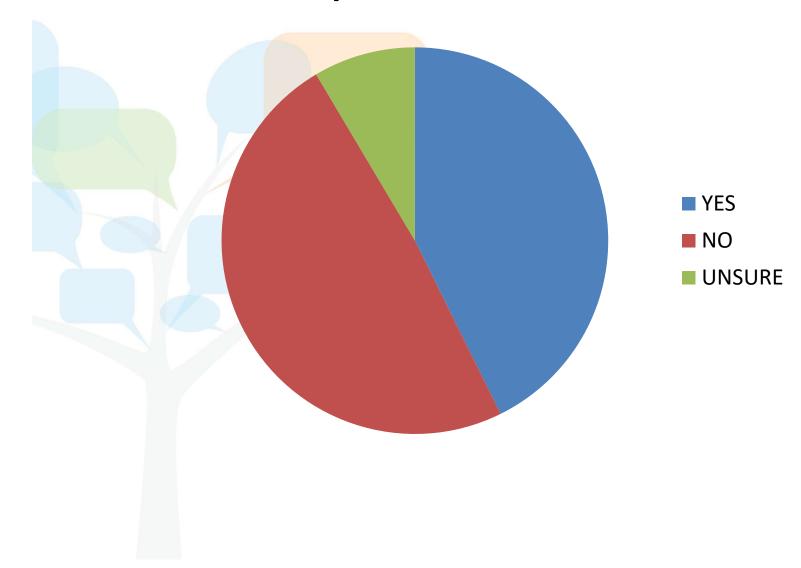




# Do you see less delirium in our patients?

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### **Staff Reservations**





### Next steps .....

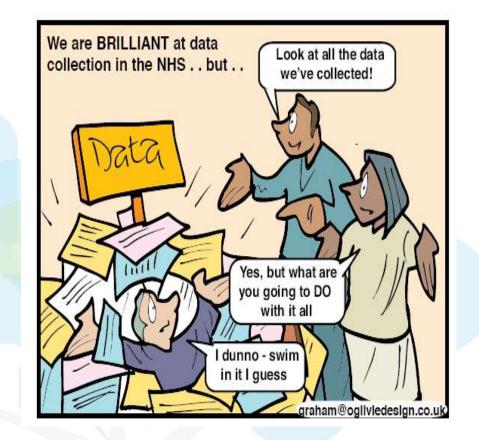




- Link with CAM ICU project
- Continue with data collection
- Occupied bed days, ventilator days and length of ventilation
- CAM-ICU data



## **Closing Thoughts**



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"Change is possible if we have the desire and commitment to make it happen."

Mohandas Gandhi

**Any Questions?**