Using Human Centered Design to Achieve Operational Impact

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Who is Kaiser Permanente (KP)?



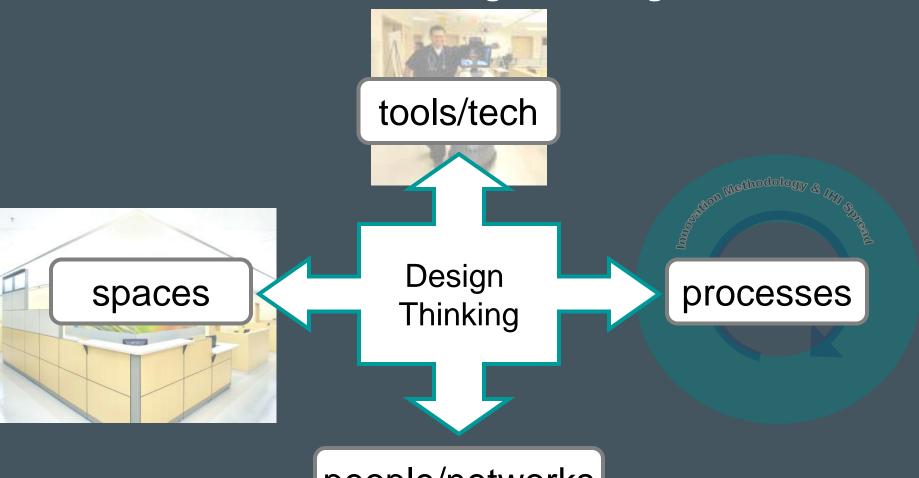


FAST CMPANY

2010 MOST INNOVATIVE COMPANIES



Innovation and Design Thinking at KP



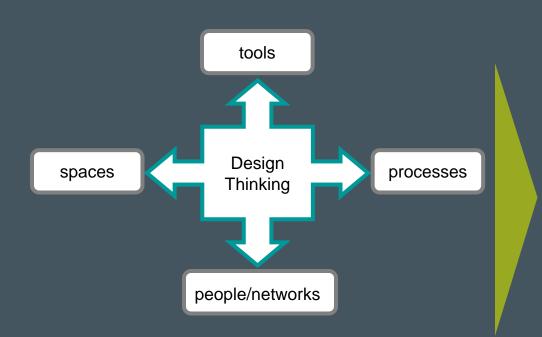




Innovation Consultancy – Who are we?

Innovation and Design Thinking on the Frontlines of Healthcare

We leverage design-thinking to develop human-centered solutions to impact patient care and the work experience of our care providers.







Destination Bedside: Project Focus and summary

Minimizing Distractions and Enriching Patient Interactions

Key Measurements: Increase time at bedside by 15% and have measurable clinical patient outcomes



Background – why its important

We have a nationwide need to address the fragmentation of bedside nursing care.

Rapid changes in Nurses "Band-aid" just But nurses still have little Creating challenges to bedside care health care to survive time to be bedside









Participating Health Systems





































Data Collection Results

Protocol A
385 Participants



Protocol B 382 Participants



Protocol C 750 Participants



Protocol D 288 Participants



767 licensed nurses (RNs, LPNs/LVNs) participated

In total, study data has been collected on **2,201** work shifts resulting in **21,882** hours of data



7.2% of nursing practice time is spent on **patient assessment**

17.2% of nursing practice time is spent on medication administration

35.3% of **all** reported nurse time is spent on **documentation**

Nurses spend **30.8%** of their time **in the patient rooms** and **38.6%** of their time at the **nurse station**

During a typical **10-hour day**, a nurse travels **1-5 miles**



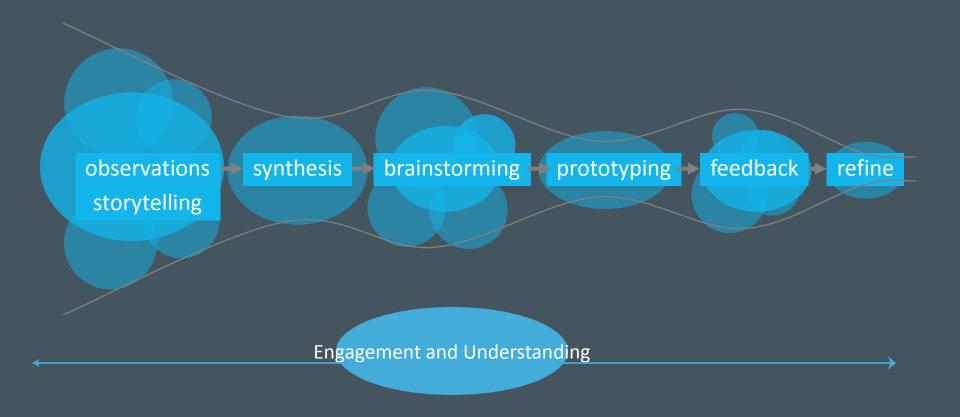


Other Results

- No consistent, statistically significant relationship was found between various unit architecture types and nursing time spent with patients
- Distances traveled and time spent on activities varied considerably between shifts.
- Variability between individual nurses on the same unit was often greater than the variance across different hospital units.

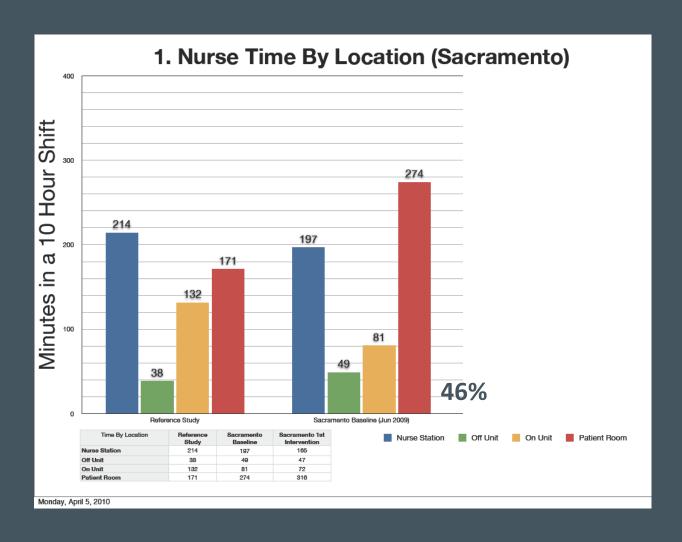


Our Methodology



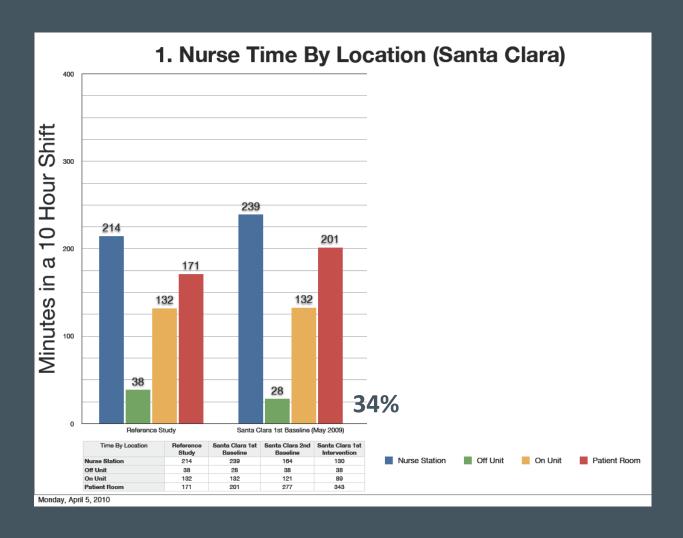


Time and Motion Baseline



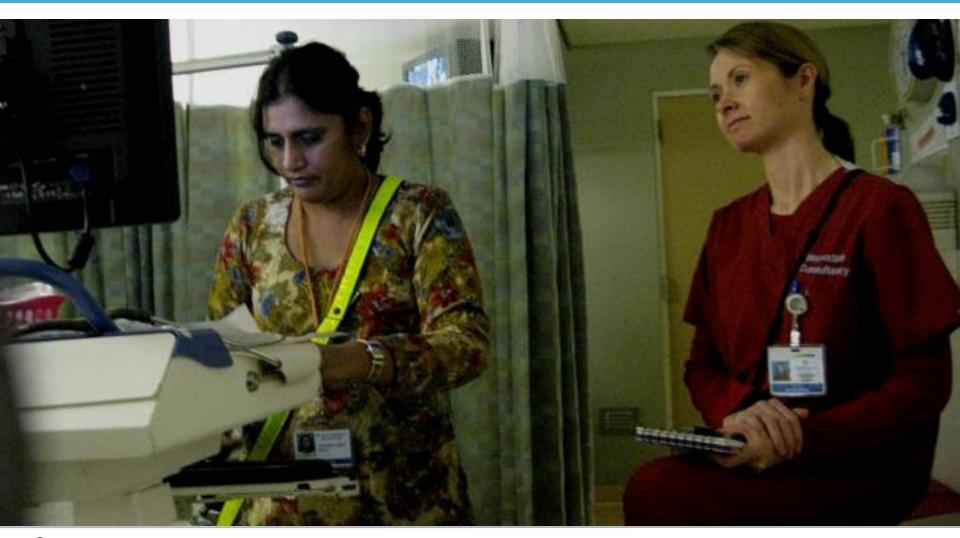


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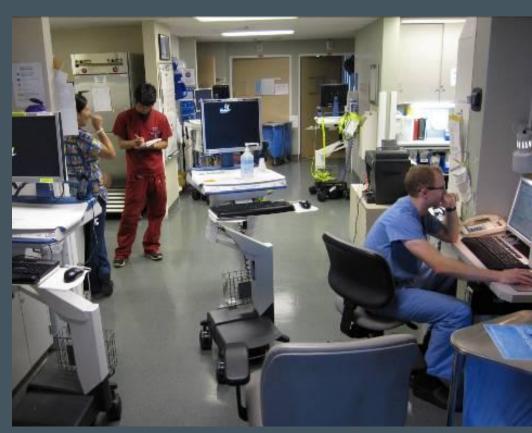
Observations





Our Journey to Understanding

- Time and Motion study conducted with nurses across the country
- Over 300 hours in observations:
 - → nurses
 - → patients
 - → ancillary staff
 - → physicians
 - → support staff
- Over 20 hours formally interviewing RNs, UA, CNA, Unit Manager, ANM, Charge Nurse, Hospitalist, Bedhub, Pharmacy Tech, Engineering, Biomed, EVS, PCC, RSTC, Improvement Advisors





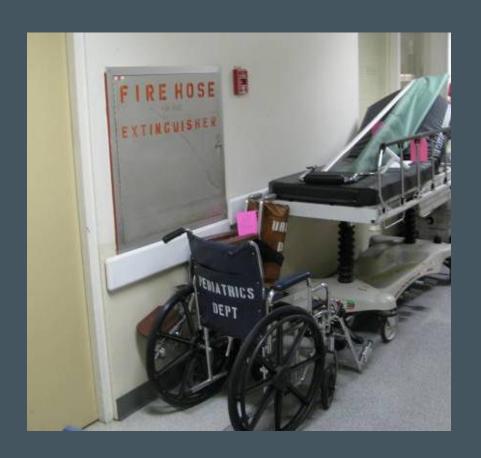
Hiding equipment

An example of problem solving happened when a patient needed to be weighed; The nurse had to go to the end of the other unit to *find a scale*. She wheeled it back and it took both nurses to weigh the patient

The scale was then "hidden" in a closet for use later to save time.

The scales were needed in the first place because the bed was broken.

Engineering was called and they didn't know how to fix the bed and "would be back later."





The power of conversation

RN to patient: "I have your pain medicine, you said it was 10 out of 10, right?"

Patient: "It was, now it's kind of gone down a little."

RN: Ok.

Later...

Patient to wife on phone:

"...I have to go to the bathroom every 4 hours, and it hurts."

"...It's a sharp pain."

"...I'm not feeling the ache anymore, but I wonder if the [kidney] stone is sitting in one spot, and is that what it causing the pain?"

"..but my breathing is better, much better."





Hectic Starts

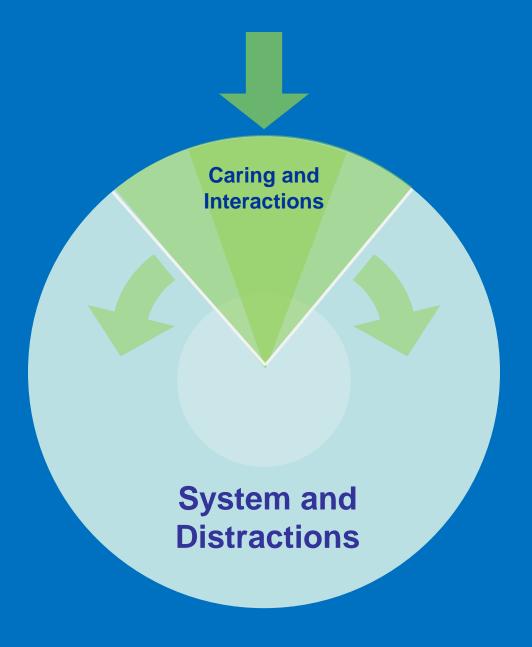




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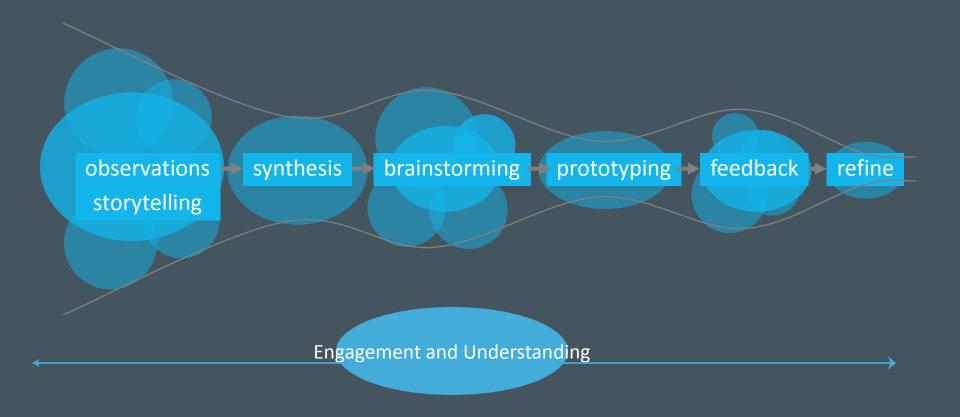
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- The majority of nurse's attention is on the **System**
- System attention smothers attention to Caring
- Keeps RNs away from the bedside





Our Methodology-a reminder

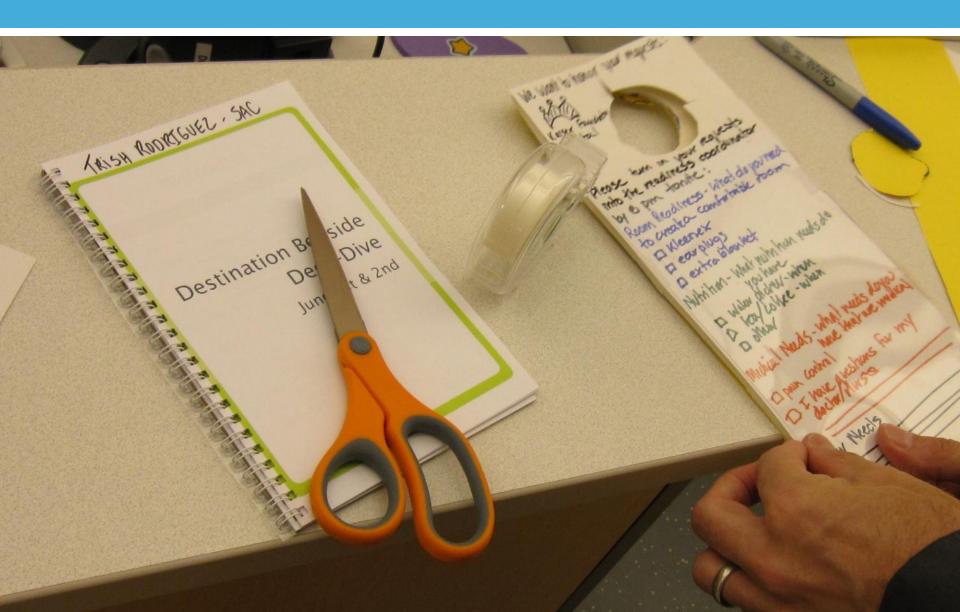




Storytelling and Brainstorm - Video



Prototype

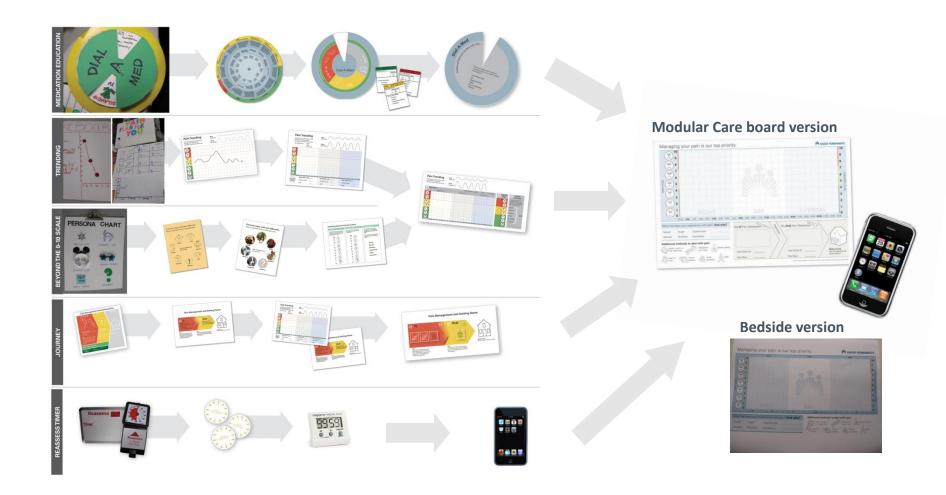


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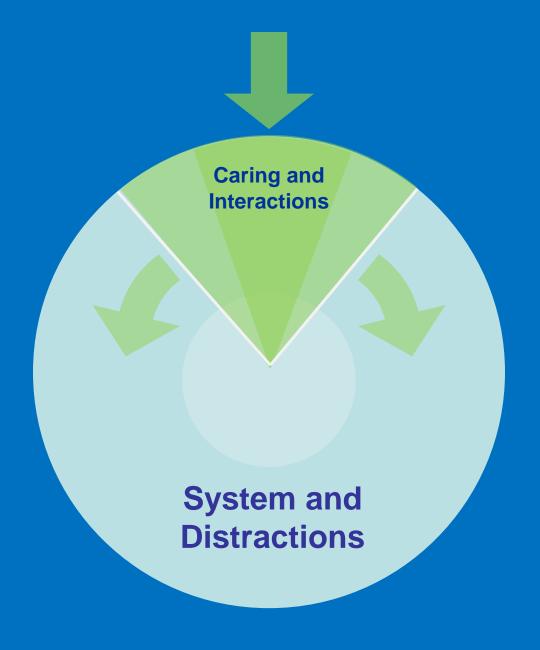




Prototype and Field Test







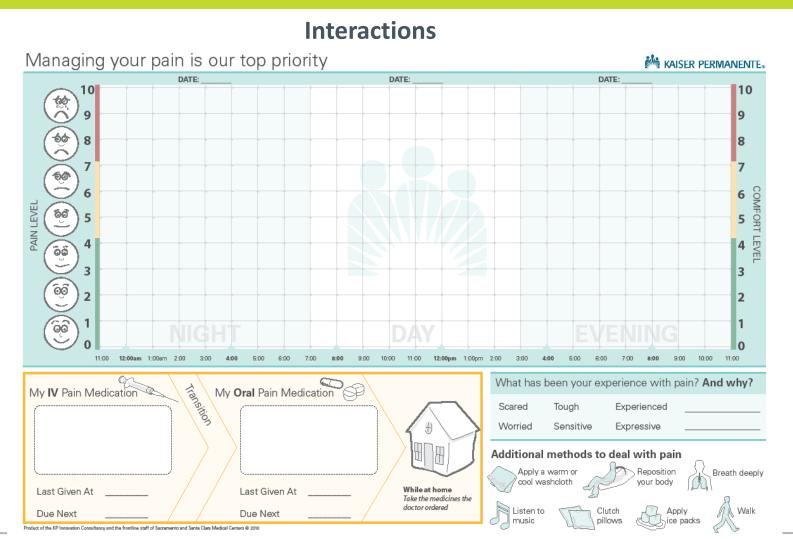


2 Primary Content Areas

Pain - Assessment, measurement and understanding

Shift Change – Strong finish and strong start to a shift

PainScape – A tool for conversation and understanding



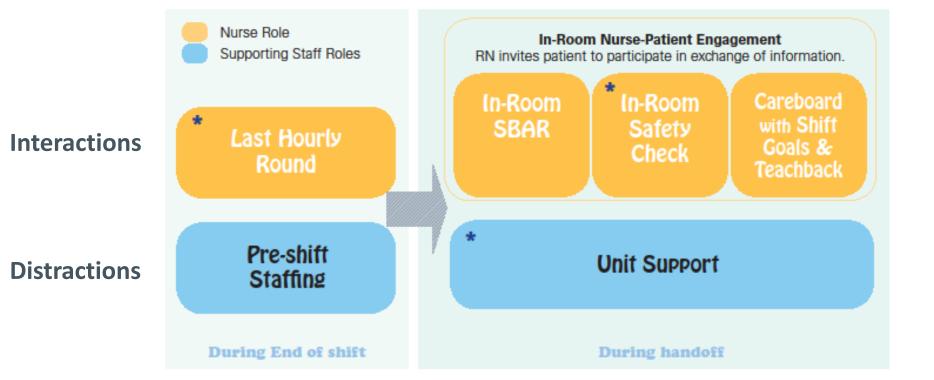
Distractions





Nurse Knowledge Exchange Plus - A strong finish and start

* CUSTOM FITS: These components have built-in flexibility so they can be tailored to your unit.





Minimizing Interrupts: The Final Hourly Round

What is it?

A specialized final hourly round designed to ensure that patients are well situated before shift change.

- 4Ps (Pain, Potty, Positioning, Personal items
- Double check IV fluids
- Hot Towels & Water (PCT'/CNA)

What's so great about it?

- Minimize avoidable interrupts during shift change.
- Reduced spill-over of patient needs to on-coming nurse.





Unit Support

What is it?

Coordinated support from support staff (UA, Charge RN, Mgrs) to minimize RN disruptions.

- answer call lights, clarify patient needs, direct to other support staff when possible
- •respond to call light requests as appropriate
- •assist in managing incoming admits during shift change and activities related to admits (i.e., taking report from off-unit RNs)

What's so great about it?

Prevents RNs from being taken out of the room during shift change.

Allows them to focus on exchanging information and set expectations with their patients.







Unit Specific Safety Check

What is it?

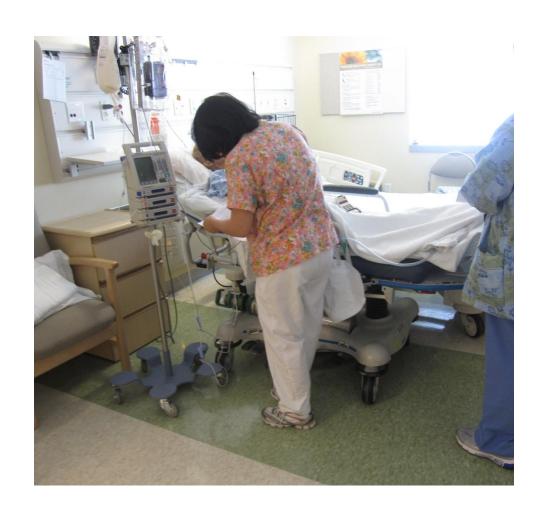
A unit-decided transitional safety check during shift change to ensure key safety issues are addressed by 2 nurses with regular frequency.

Examples:

- Signage check and reminder
- Groin site 2x check

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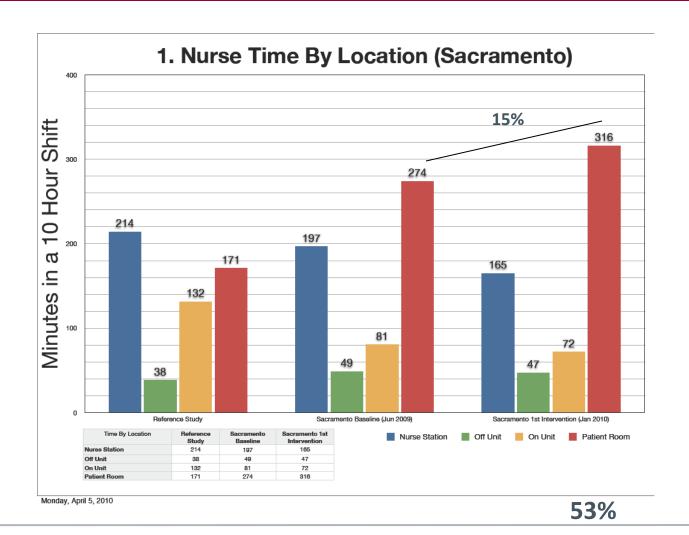
Unit decides on safety issues they want and are able to address in the room with their patients – using shift change as a regular time.





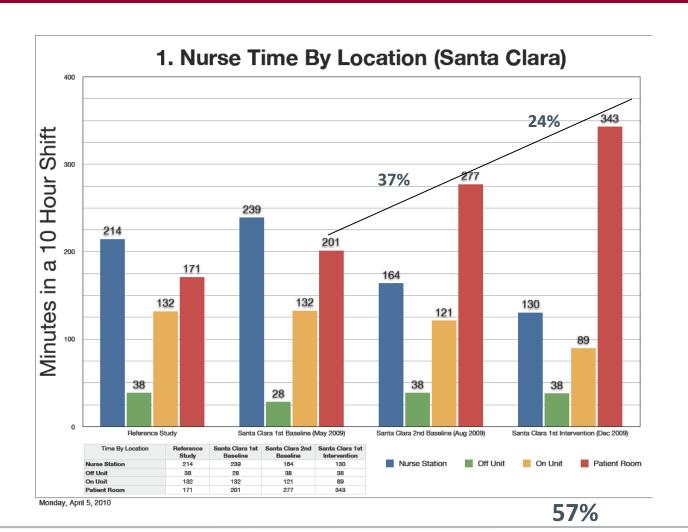
Metrics What are our metrics showing?

Time and Motion





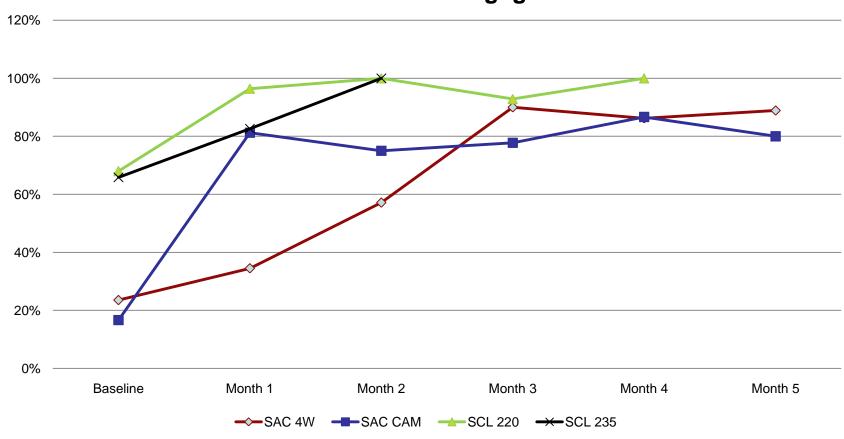
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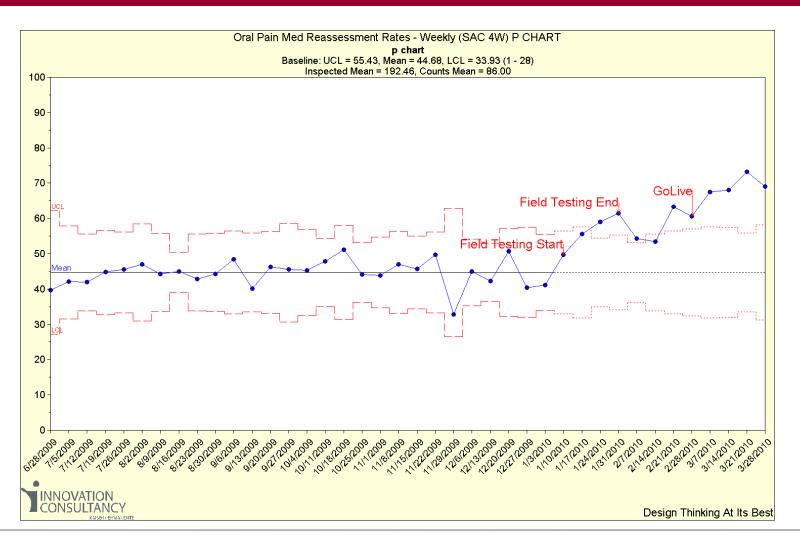
Shift Change

NKEPlus: Patient Engagement





Pain reassessment rate





Sustainability and Continued Development

Meaningful and Fun

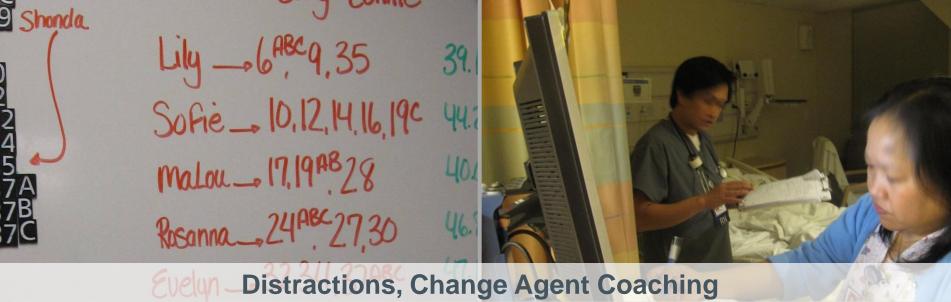


Unit Engagement

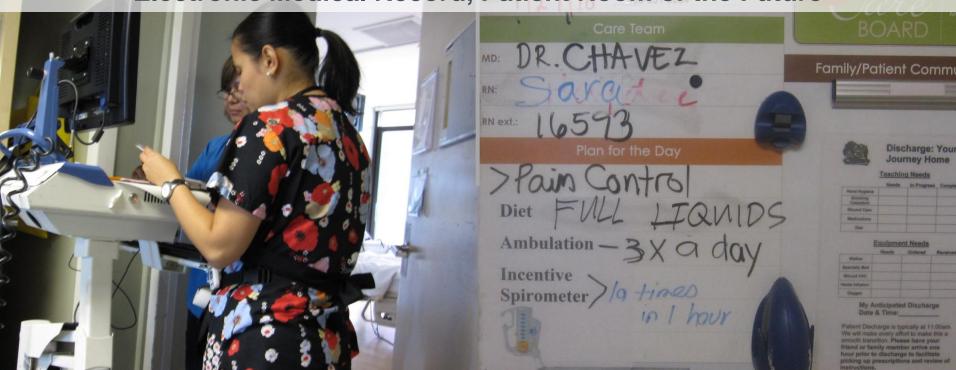




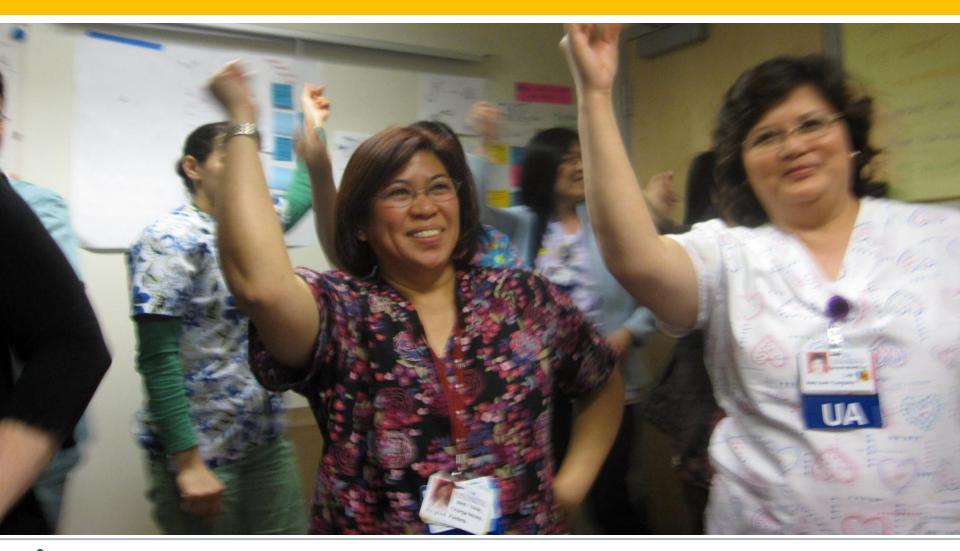








NKE Plus







The fun is just beginning!



Thank you!

