

To eliminate non-compliance to Frozen Fibrin Sealant documentation in Major Operating Theatre (MOT)

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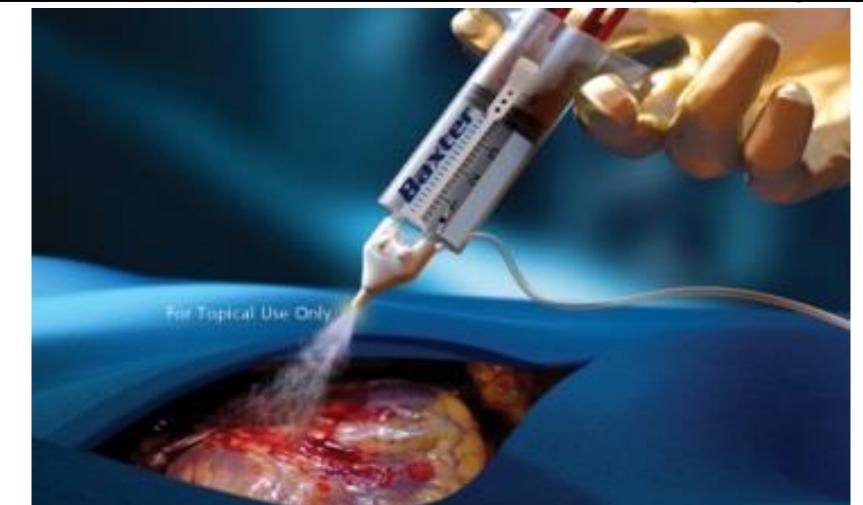
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Introduction

Frozen Fibrin Sealant usage has grown exponentially due to increasing demand by surgeons in various surgical procedures. It is used to achieve hemostasis in patients when control of bleeding by suturing and cautery become ineffective during surgery.

Use of Frozen Fibrin Sealant during surgery



Background

There were problems pertaining to Frozen Fibrin Sealant usage documentation:

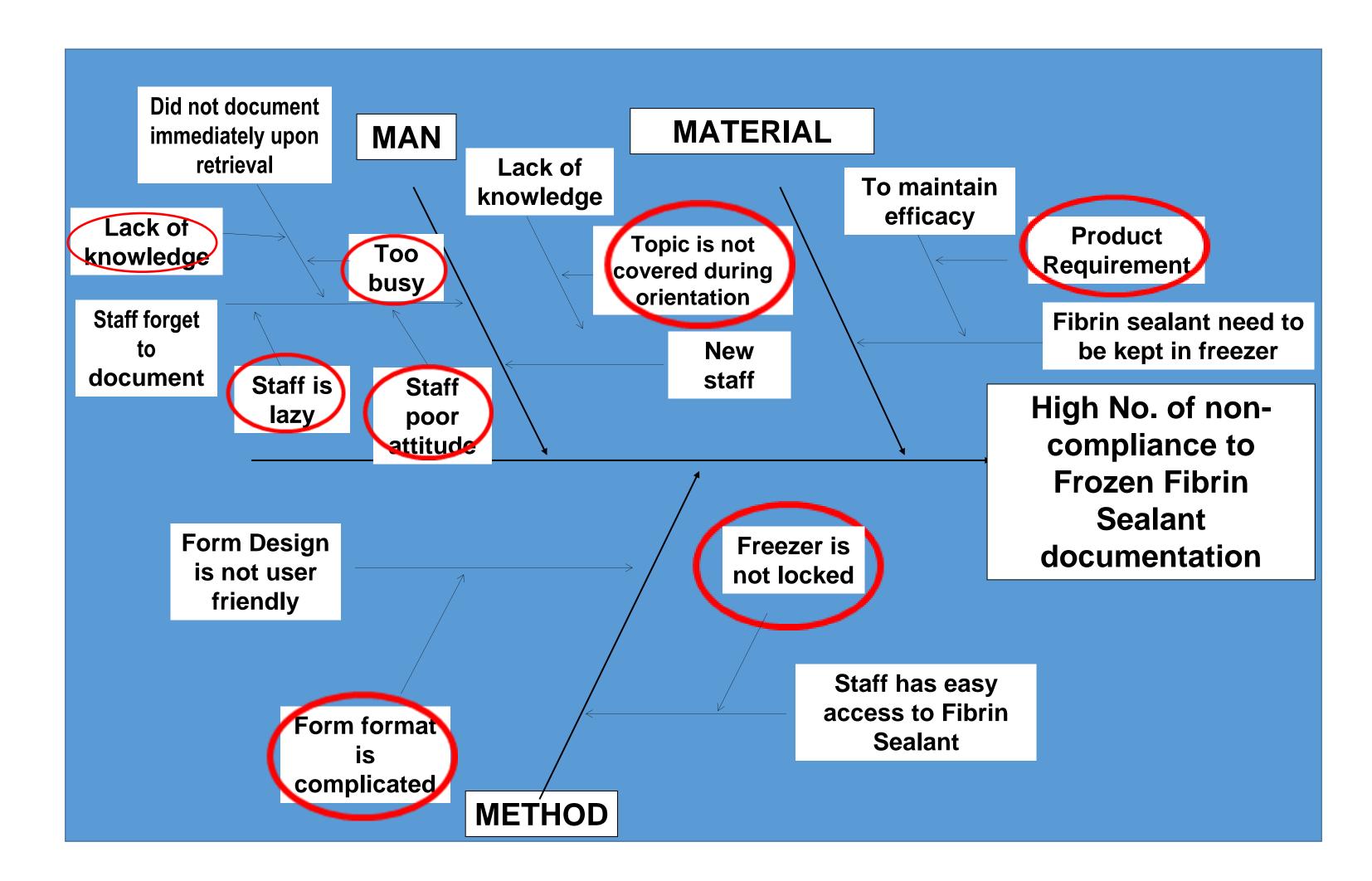
- Missing OR number
- Missing patient details
- Missing surgical discipline
- Missing name of surgeon
- Missing name of staff

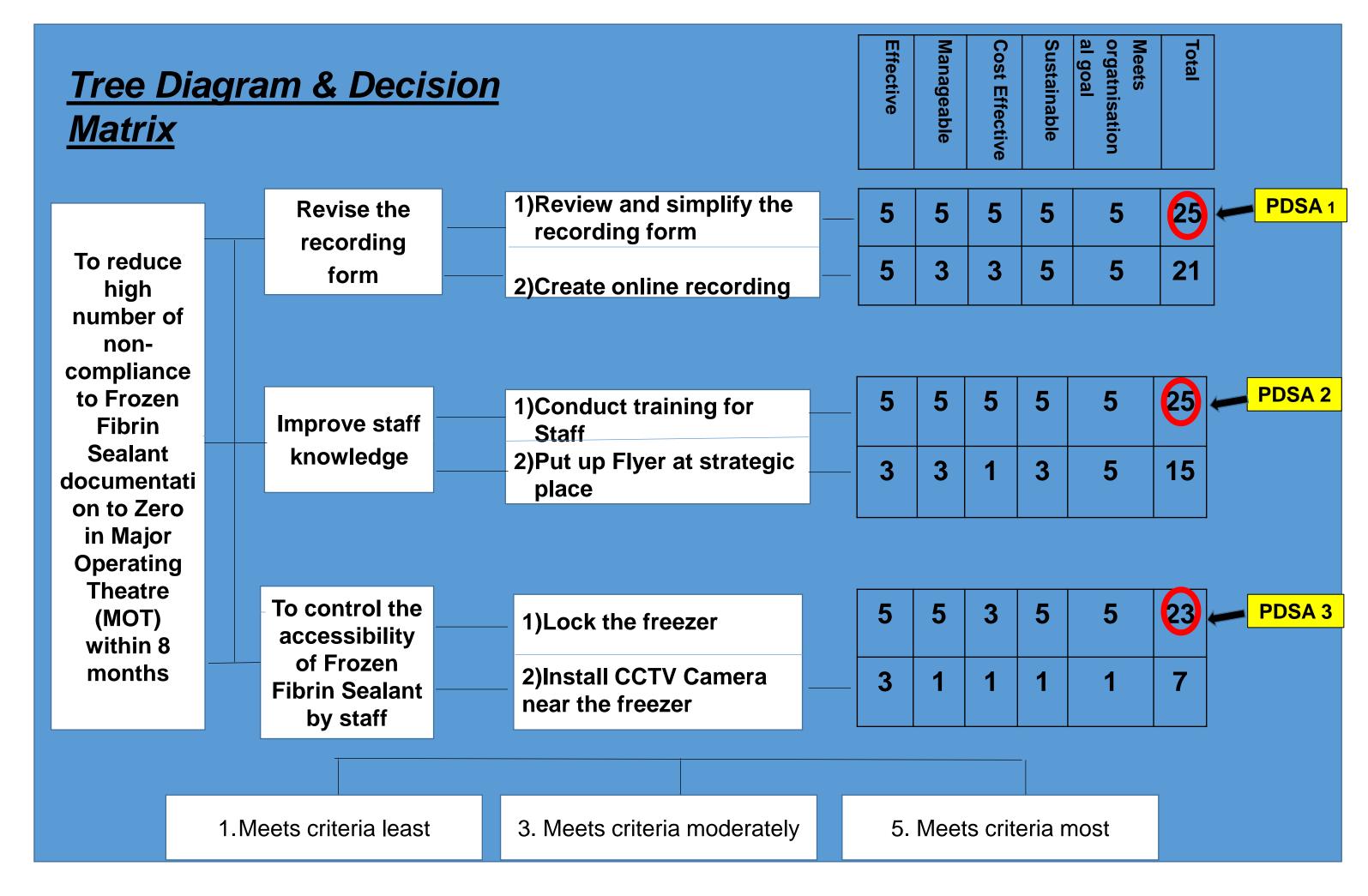
This may result in failure to trace patients in a situation of a product recall, which may affect patient safety as treatment or surgery may be delayed.

Mission Statement

To eliminate non-compliance to Frozen Fibrin Sealant documentation in Major Operating Theatre (MOT) within 8 months

Methodology Cause & Effect Diagram





Solutions Implementation

Intervention 1: Review and revise recording form

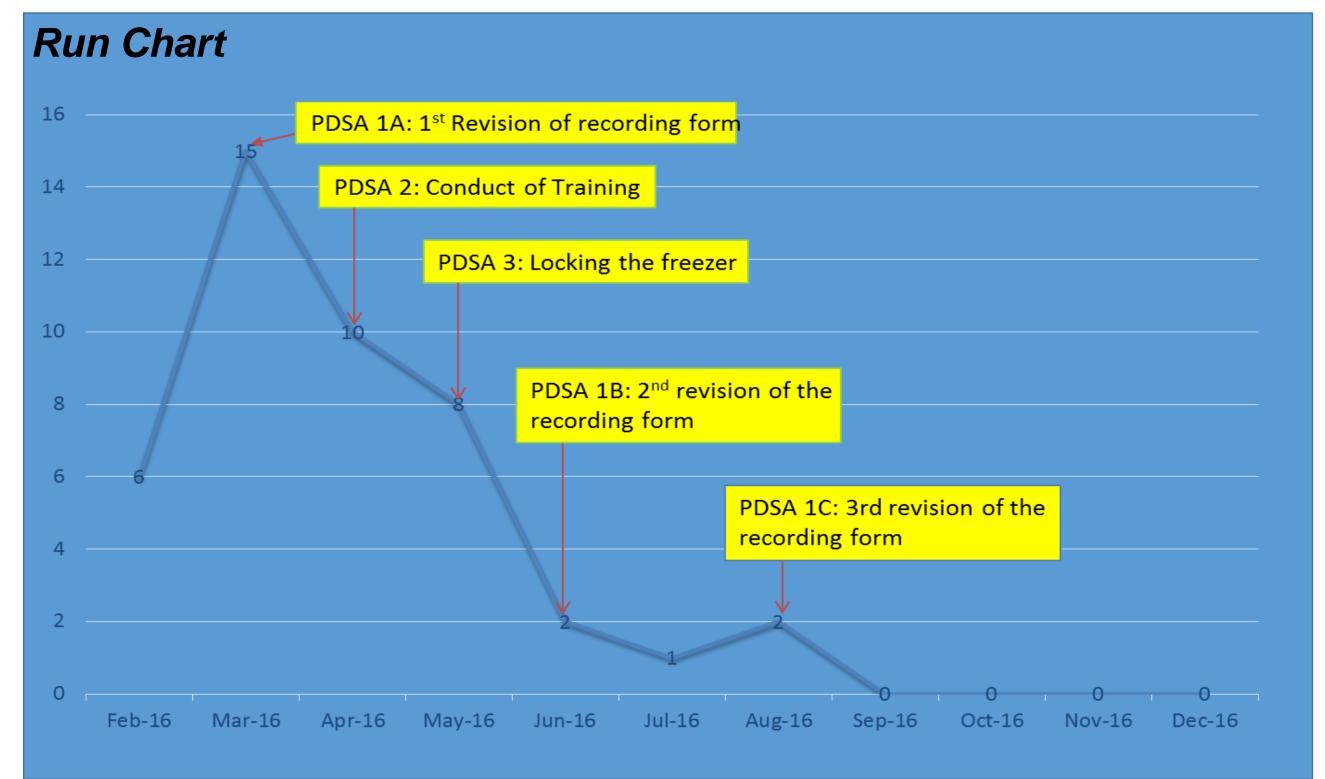
Feedback – Complicated recording form with too much details required for entry. Revised and simplified recording form. Further improvement, adopted format used for Controlled Drug documentation. Sample Recording Form kept in Frozen Fibrin Sealant file for reference.

Intervention 2: Conduct training

Training by team members on retrieval of Frozen Fibrin Sealant, preparation and completion of documentation. Reminder for nurses to ask surgeon before start of case and when it is about to be used.

Intervention 3: Lock freezer

Nurses are to call EOT Nurse Clinician (NC) on duty to unlock freezer to retrieve Frozen Fibrin Sealant. NC only issues Frozen Fibrin Sealant when the nurse brings along patient's name sticker and completes the required documentation.

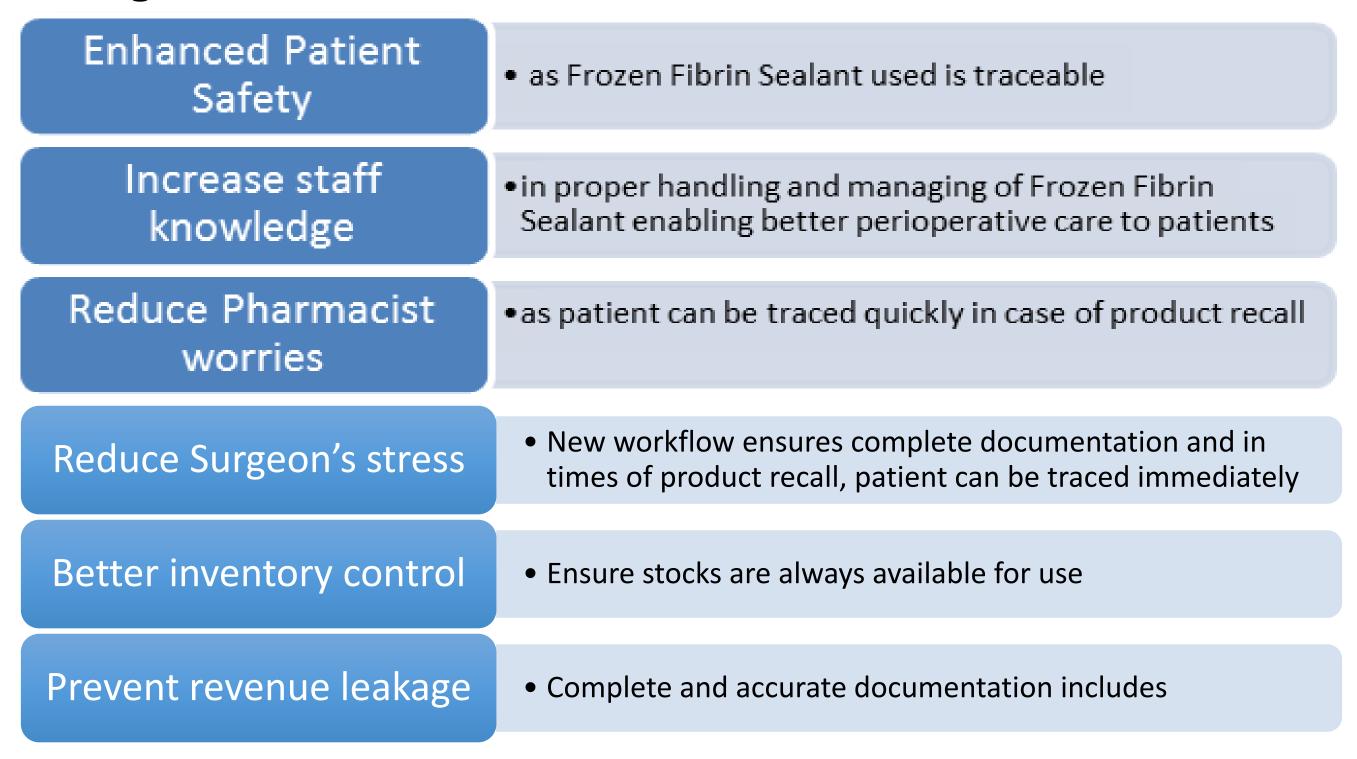


Results - 100% compliance to Frozen Fibrin Sealant documentation

Tangible Benefits

- <u>Time savings of up to 3hrs</u> no time wastage in tracing for missing documentation and more time spent on patient care
- Cost savings of \$11 232 per yr based on maximum number of times (mins/hrs) to investigate for missing documentation.

Intangible Benefits



Sustainability

Team members continue to check and audit the nurses. To date, incomplete and missing documentation have not surfaced. However, issue on stock balance and incorrect entry by EOT NCs when receiving stocks occur. Reminders to all NCs to check stock every shift so that discrepancy can be rectified immediately. New work flow is incorporated into department operating procedures. New nurses are orientated on handling and preparation of Frozen Fibrin Sealant during their on-the-job training. We plan to add this to our Unit Competency Checklists.

Conclusion

This project helps to enhance hospital image as it meets the hospital's target of ZERO Harm to patients. With better traceability and accountability, patients will have the "Best outcome, Best experience".