

STORIES FROM THE WARD



PICU

Responding quickly to avoid harm

as told by Matthew Dryclan



Sean¹ is in his 20s and has a schizophrenia disorder. He was admitted onto the PICU on the 3rd of March² after being transferred from an acute ward where he had caused significant damage to ward property. Sean has previously broken a window and used the glass to harm himself and staff.

Sean hadn't been with us for very long and **he was** aggressive, loud and violent.

We have had situations where we intervened with Sean during an aggressive outburst, but this escalated his behaviour. He became more distressed and attacked us.

Matthew Dryclan, Healthcare Assistant

Matthew cares for Sean in a room equipped with Oxevision and uses it to closely monitor his physical health in between regular checks. Previously, Matthew and his team have had to call the police to help support with Sean when he becomes violent.

I was in the nurse's office when I heard a loud smash from Sean's bedroom. I immediately checked the system to confirm that Sean was safe and attempted to get a vital signs measurement. In doing so, I could see that he was trying to break the glass window to make a weapon.

The system gave us a clear view of the situation.

He hadn't yet managed to break the glass window and we were able to quickly make a judgment call, enter the room and **stop him before someone was hurt or the police were needed.**

At times like this, the system has potentially been a **lifesaving tool for staff and patients.**

Matthew Dryclan, Healthcare Assistant

ABOUT OXEHEALTH

Oxehealth's Oxevision supports Mental Health organisations to improve inpatient safety and quality whilst giving clinicians more time to care.

Oxevision uses an optical sensor to pay attention to patients in bedrooms when staff can't be there. The Vital Signs module enables staff to take contact-free vital sign spot checks without entering the room. The system provides real time alerts to highrisk activity and displays activity and behaviour reports.

Oxehealth has won the HSJ Patient Safety Award for "Best HealthTech Solution" and Regional Parliamentary "The Future NHS" Award. Oxevision has been highlighted as an example of outstanding practice by the CQC¹.

FOOTNOTES

The Oxehealth Vitals Signs device is a certified medical device in Europe. It is intended for non-invasive spot measurements of pulse rate and respiratory rate. It is a fixed-installed device for use within single occupancy rooms within hospitals, general care, domestic and secured environments where a framework exists which mandates period checks by a trained professional to ensure subject safety. See Instructions for Use for intended use, contraindications, warnings, cautions, usage directions and maintenance.

The activity detection, fall risk, activity tracker and sleep products are activity trackers and do not have a medical purpose or functionality. They are not patient monitors or vital signs monitors. They cannot be used to make a medical or clinical decision.

¹See https://oxe.health/cqc-cwpt

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