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STORIES FROM THE WARD

BEN

PICU

Learning what care works

as told by Natasha Le Fort

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Ben¹ is a young man with a diagnosis of emotionally unstable personality disorder, autistic spectrum disorder and sleep apnoea.

He was admitted to a psychiatric intensive care unit on 14th March² following episodes of self-harm and had been experiencing very low mood.

ff When Ben came to the ward, he was very low in mood. He had been **trying to ligate** and refused to use his CPAP machine.

He didn't feel that he could keep himself safe at that time, so we **nursed him on close observations**, but he found this really difficult and it really impacted his sleep. He was spending most of his time in bed because he was **tired** and feeling **increasingly low in mood**.

Natasha Le Fort, Deputy Ward Manager

When Ben was admitted, he was placed in a bedroom equipped with Oxevision.

Oxevision helps Natasha and her team to take spot-check vital signs observations without disturbing Ben and gives them 24/7 information on Ben's activities and behaviour in his bedroom.

We **reduced observations** as we knew they were causing Ben distress. Having the system allowed us to check his pulse and breathing rate remotely and alerts us to certain activity if there is cause for concern.

Ben's **mood has steadily improved** and we can see from the system's activity reports that he is spending **much less time isolating** himself in his room.



Natasha Le Fort, Deputy Ward Manager

¹A pseudonym has been used to maintain patient anonymity

²The date has been changed to maintain patient anonymity

ABOUT OXEHEALTH

Oxehealth helps mental health organisations to improve patient experience in inpatient services. We support our partners to help manage risk and systematically improve the safety and quality of care they provide.

Oxevision is a contact-free vision-based patient monitoring platform for use in mental health hospitals. It gives ward teams clinical insights (early warning signs, risk factors) to plan patient care and proactively intervene to help their patients. Oxevision uses a secure contact-free optical sensor (camera + infrared illumination in a secure housing unit on the wall) to monitor pulse rate, breathing rate and activity of an individual in a room – serving up warnings, alerts, reports and observations to clinicians at the right time.

Oxehealth has won several HSJ Partner Awards and 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

Oxehealth Vitals Signs device is cleared as a class IIa medical device in Europe and a class II medical device in the USA. It is intended for non-invasive spot measurements of pulse rate and estimated breathing rate (chest wall movements). It is a fixed-installed device for use within single occupancy rooms within hospitals, general care, and secured environments where a framework exists which mandates period checks by a trained professional to ensure subject safety. Federal law (U.S.) restricts this device to sale by or on the order of a licensed healthcare practitioner. 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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