

# BENEFITS OF PRE-DAY PLANNING IN THE CHEMOTHERAPY DAY UNIT AT CHRIS O'BRIEN LIFEHOUSE

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#### Introduction

Chris O'Brien Lifehouse Day
Therapy Unit is a busy
Chemotherapy suite. The main
objective of the unit is to deliver
safe and efficient patient-centered
cancer care for better outcome and
experience. The help of advanced
Electronic Medical Record
technology enables the Day
Therapy Unit to predict and plan
any deviations for our
patients' receiving care.

#### Aim

- 1. To identify critical tasks and the resources needed to sign of the treatment plan.
- 2. To be able to integrate cancer care for the best interest of the patients.
- 3. To deliver holistic care for our cancer treatment naive patients.

#### **Results**

- 1. The net Promoter Score for the Day Therapy unit is high.
- 2. Decreased pre-treatment waiting period.
- 3. Prevented patients from attending unnecessary clinic visit.
- 4. Patients and carers come prepared for their treatment day.





### **Materials and Methods**

The Day Therapy Unit delivers a high volume of cancer treatments across all tumor streams. The electronic software program currently used in the Day Therapy Unit is known as Meditech software. It consists of two components, a scheduling grid and lists of corresponding patients' treatment regimes.

## **Conclusions**

- 1. Nurse to patient workload ratio is identified.
- 2. Promotes patient empowerment and autonomy.
- 3. Predict acuity of the unit.
- 4. Minimised surprise work related stress.
- 5. Patients individual needs are identified.

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