



Policies to Improve Incident Reporting & Learning in Ministry of Health Hospitals

Implementing Patient Safety Policies
-Experience From **Malaysia**

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OVERVIEW

- Overview & Evolution of Incident Reporting & Learning in MOH Hospitals
- Key Issues related to Incident Reporting Implementation
- The Solutions
- Outcome after 1 year
- Lessons Learned
- Summary of Key Messages

OVERVIEW & EVOLUTION OF INCIDENT REPORTING & LEARNING IN MOH HOSPITALS MALAYSIA



- “Incident Reporting” started as part of Quality Assurance tool in MOH Hospitals.
- Later specific policy on Incident Reporting (IR) and Learning System formulated as part of Patient Safety initiative, to learn from error and improve healthcare system
- Then scope IR was extended, became one of National Patient Safety Goals.
- Strengthen by developing National online reporting e-IR.
- Approach changed from local level implementation, monitoring and improvement to national level monitoring, improvement as well.

SEPERTI SENARAI EDARAN

YBhg. Dato'/Datin/Tuan/Puan,

PELAKSANAAN INISIATIF 'INCIDENT REPORTING' DAN 'ROOT CAUSE ANALYSIS' BAGI PROGRAM PERUBATAN, KESIHATAN AWAM DAN KESIHATAN PERGIHATAN

Saya dengan hormatnya merujuk kepada perkara di atas.

2. Sukacita dimaklumkan, Kementerian Kesihatan Malaysia (KKM) adalah sentiasa komited kepada penyampaian perkhidmatan perubatan, kesihatan dan pergihatan yang dijamin kualitinya serta keselamatan pesakit (patient safety) yang berpaksikan kepada pesakit dan pelanggan (patient and client-centred).

3. Justeru itu, selaras dengan saranan Pertubuhan Kesihatan Sedunia (WHO) bagi patient safety dan keperluan utama dalam pelaksanaan Clinical Governance, Kementerian Kesihatan Malaysia telah mengambil langkah mempertingkatkan perkara ini dengan memantapkan pelaksanaan inisiatif sistem 'Incident Reporting' dan 'Root Cause Analysis' melalui kaedah pelaporan yang dikemaskini sepertimana yang diilhamkan di Lampiran A (Polis Pelaksanaan Inisiatif Sistem 'Incident Reporting' (IR) dan 'Root Cause Analysis' (RCA) bagi Program Perubatan, Kesihatan Awam Dan Kesihatan Pergihatan) yang berkuatkuasa pada 01 Januari 2012.

4. Bersama arahan ini juga, dikemukakan Senarai Insiden yang perlu dilaporkan (Lampiran 1) dan borang pelaporan iaitu Borang Notifikasi IR-1 (Lampiran 2) serta Matrix Incident Reporting Ver.1.2012 (dibekalkan oleh Urusetia dalam bentuk softcopy sebagai Lampiran 3) untuk kegunaan pihak YBhg. Datin/Datin/Tuan/Puan. Bagi keperluan ini juga, pihak Urusetia akan membekalkan pihak YBhg. Dato'/Datin/Tuan/Puan dengan softcopy Manual 'Incident Reporting and Learning System: From Information to Action' yang telah digubal oleh Urusetia dipertingkat KKM dengan kerjasama pihak WHO.

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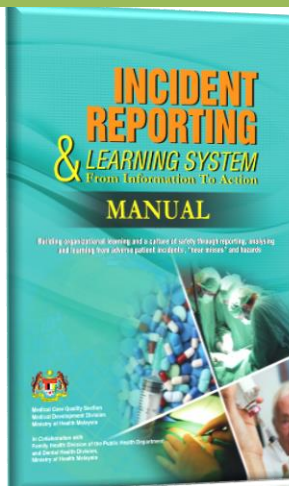
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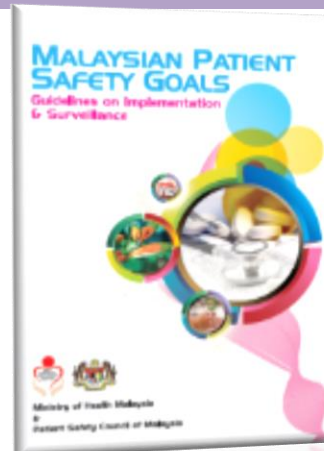
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INCIDENT REPORTING AS QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAMME

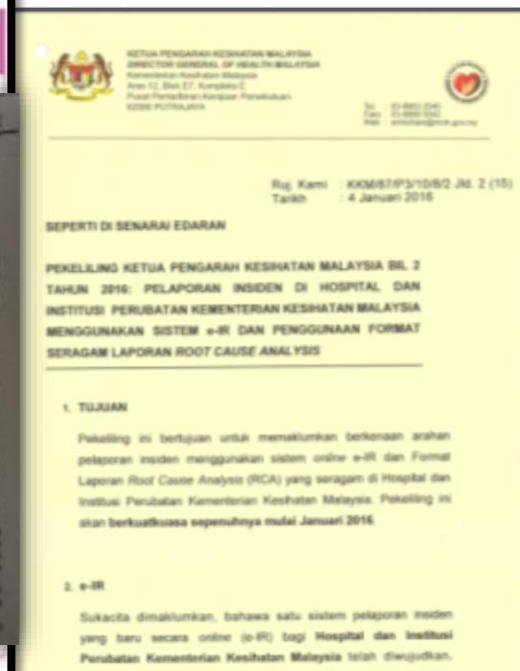
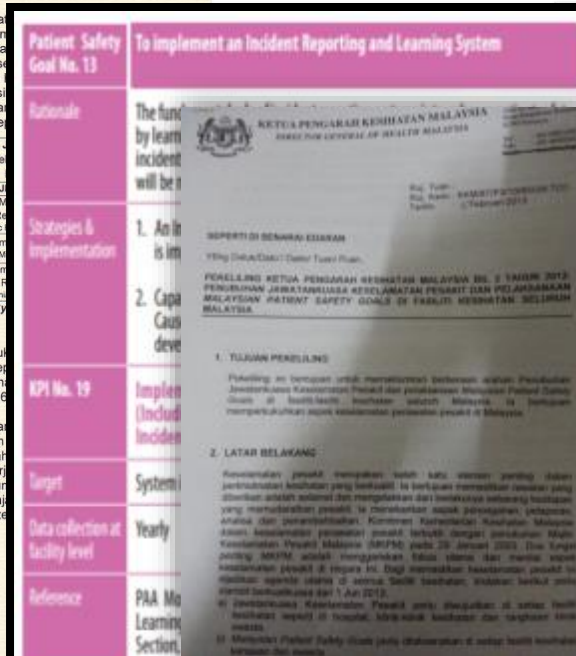
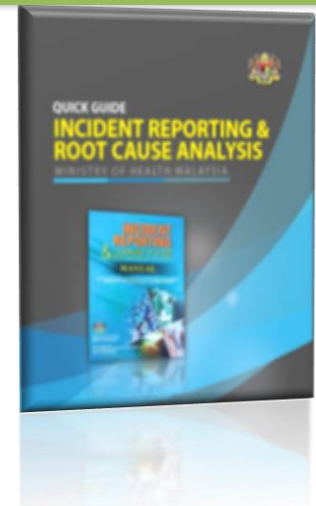
POLICY ON IMPLEMENTATION OF INCIDENT REPORTING & LEARNING SYSTEM



POLICY ON MALAYSIAN PATIENT SAFETY GOALS INCIDENT REPORTING & LEARNING SYSTEM AS GOAL NO 13



POLICY ON e-IR & ROOT CAUSE ANALYSIS



KEY ISSUES RELATED TO INCIDENT REPORTING

Hospital Level

Staff cannot see benefit of reporting

Fear of reporting (eg. blame culture etc)

Some senior officers stop the reporting to proceed

Complicated, confusing reporting system

Time consuming process

No knowledge on RCA

Time consuming to produce RCA Report

Value of RCA Report is not good

State Health Dept. Level

Some hospitals are not reporting

Some officers do not have enough knowledge to educate hospitals on Incident Reporting & RCA

Burden for state to do analysis as State Dept. does not have specific officer looking into Patient Safety

Ministry Level

System has 29 mandatory incidents, near miss is not captured

Only receive number of incidents happen.

Info reach Ministry after 3 months (i.e not timely)

Ineffective 3- tier system of reporting. Incomplete national status of incidents.

Hospitals still depend on Ministry officers for training on IR, RCA

Inadequate resource to produce comprehensive online reporting system

COMPLICATED PROCESS OF REPORTING

IR 1.1 FORM

CONFIDENTIAL

FORM IR1.1

PATIENT SAFETY INCIDENT - MANAGEMENT & REPORTING FORM

Part I - Incident Particulars (to be completed unless the incident is not a patient safety incident)

A. Incident particulars (refer to guidelines under the medical event and incident codes)

Incident Code: _____

Date of incident: (M, D, Y) _____ Time of incident: (H, M, S) _____ Date of reporting: (M, D, Y) _____

Location: _____ Location name: _____

Specialist involved: _____

B. Patient particulars

Name: _____ Sex: ☐ Male ☐ Female ☐ Age: _____

Referral code: _____

Date of admission: (M, D, Y) _____ Admission diagnosis: _____

Date of birth: _____

Age: _____

Race: _____

Communication problem with patient? Yes ☐ No ☐ If yes, what type of issue: _____

Native language: _____ Language used in consultation: _____

C. Incident description

Provide a brief description of the incident, allow ample incident description, any harm suffered by patient and any immediate staff resources. Please state facts and not opinions.

Incident description: _____

Any harm suffered? Yes ☐ No ☐ If yes, what type of harm: _____

Date of incident: _____

Incident description: _____

Incident code: _____

Continue on separate sheet if necessary

Part II - Investigation Management (to be completed unless the incident is not a patient safety incident)

D. Risk assessment

Provide a brief description of any action taken to prevent similar incident.

Full Name: _____ Designation: _____ Date: _____

Continue on separate sheet if necessary

Part III - Organizational Improvement (to be completed unless the incident is not a patient safety incident)

E. Investigation management

Incident description: _____

Person responsible: _____ Date action completed: _____

F. Organizational improvement, learning points and general comments

Full Name: _____ Designation: _____ Date: _____

Continue on separate sheet if necessary

Fill in by staff involved or witness

Fill in by direct supervisor

Fill in by Quality Officer

Fill in by Head of Department

Sent to State Health Dept.

Sent to Ministry of Health

- 2 Pages of Reporting Form
- 4 different sections
- Fill in by 4 different individuals
- Require risk assessment to be done, many staff find it difficult
- 3 tier stages of reporting: Hospital to State to Ministry
- Multiple reporting phase:
 - Copy of the IR 1.1 Form; Reporting Matrix (Aggregate data); RCA Report

THE SOLUTIONS

Use of Direct & Free Online System

- Shorten reporting process
- More user friendly for hospitals
- Ministry get more meaningful data for further action
- Faster time for Ministry to get information on Incident (5 days rather than 3 months)
- Reduce burden of State Health Department to analyse
- State Health Dept. can concentrate on “going down to hospitals”, monitor problem & improvement
- Enable Ministry to monitor incidents centrally & produce National report

Promotion & Capacity building

- Promotion – “More reporting is better”
- State Health Dept. – Technical expertise, leadership, engagement, creativity
- Hospital Level – for paramedics, quality managers, clinicians, Head of Dept, Hosp directors (Patient safety, IR, RCA)
- Mandatory Patient Safety Course for House Officers - Include Incident Reporting

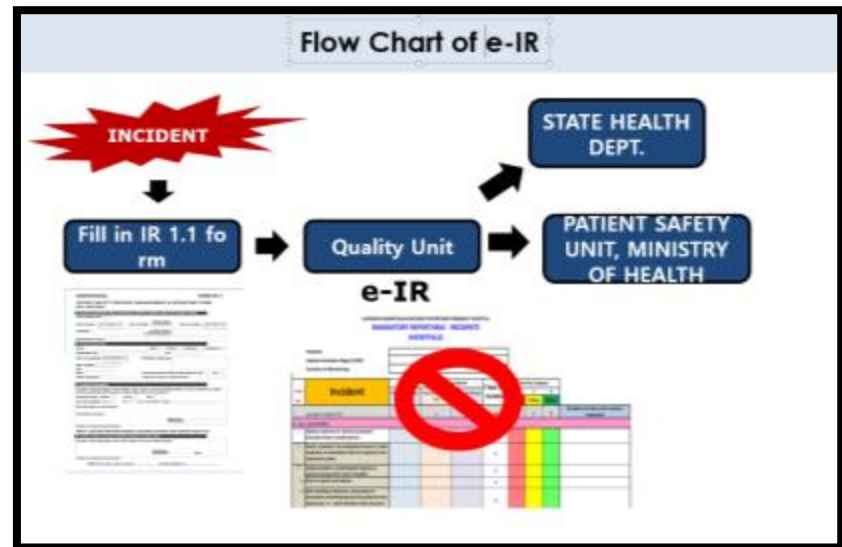
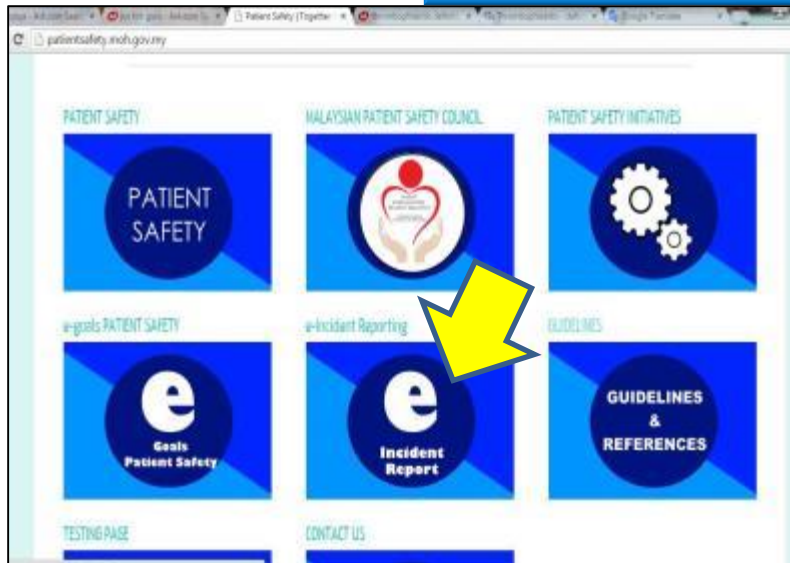
Produce standardised RCA Report template

- More RCA reports received
- Better quality of RCA reports
- Can analyse the RCA reports to get important information

New IR Form (in progress)

- Simpler
- More comprehensive – covers near miss, any safety concern
- 1 page instead of 2 pages
- Only 2 individuals fill in the Reporting Form instead of 4

Patient Safety Council Malaysia website



TEMPLATE OF ROOT CAUSE ANALYSIS REPORT

Root Cause Analysis
Incident Reporting & Learning System

DATE OF INCIDENT: (DD / MM / YYYY)
INCIDENT CODE: _____
INCIDENT DESCRIPTION: _____
Team designation (if applicable): _____

Ref	Root causes/ Important Contributing Factors	Action Code	Action Plan	Person Responsible	Due date	Review date	Outcome Measure	Completion Date

With online reporting:

- Long winded process has been shorten
- More meaningful data received by Ministry
- Reduce burden of State Health Dept.

With RCA Report template:

- More hospitals conduct RCA
- RCA Reports received from hospitals have better quality

DELIVERING OF MALAYSIAN PATIENT SAFETY GOALS REPORT CARD FROM DIRECTOR GENERAL OF HEALTH MALAYSIA & ANNOUNCEMENT OF STATE WITH HIGHEST INCIDENT REPORTING 26 NOV 2016



INCIDENT REPORTING & RCA TRAINING



OUTCOME AFTER 1 YEAR

More incident reporting received – total 2,769

Positive feedback from State Health Dept.

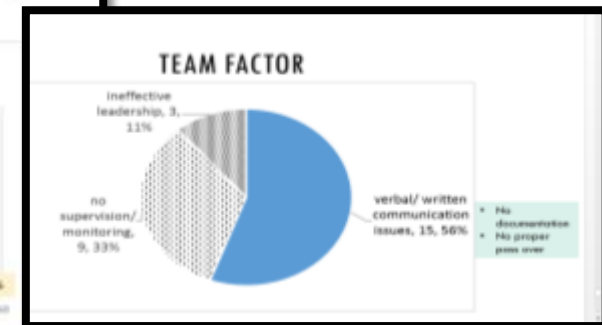
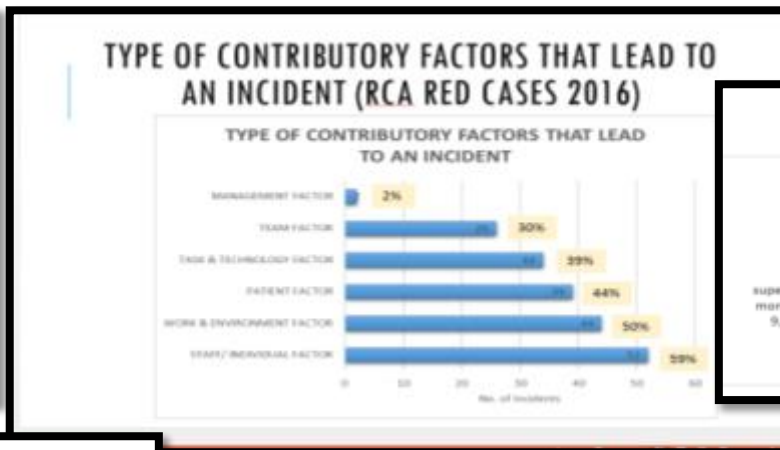
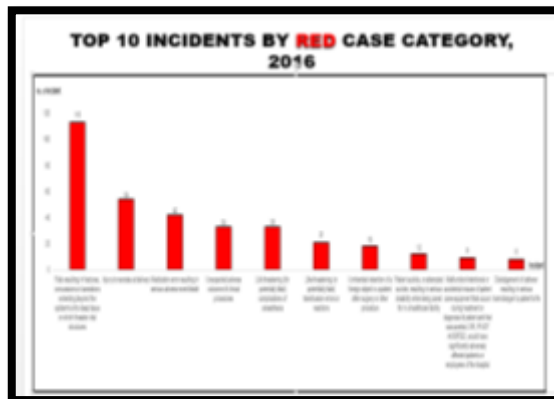
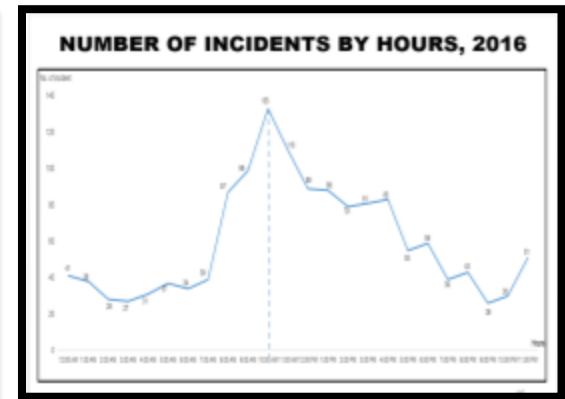
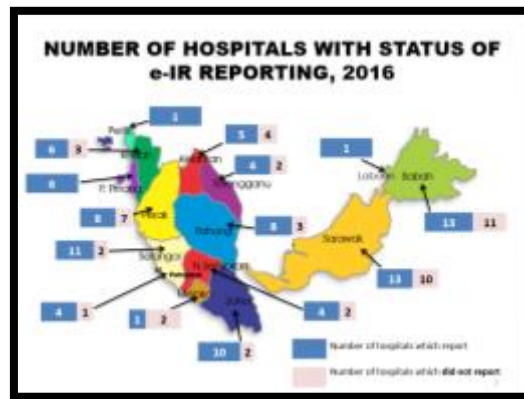
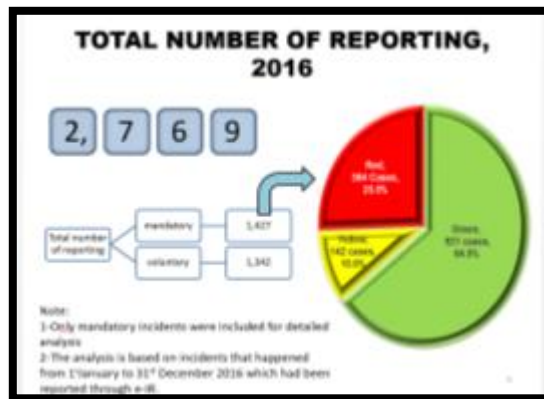
Positive feedback from hospitals

More meaningful info at National level that can be used for national improvement/further research

Ministry manage to identify hospitals & state which show low reporting of incident

Regular report produced at national level for consumption of Ministry/State Health Dept./ hospitals

Comparison can be used as motivation for other hospitals/state



Outcome of e-IR & Standardised Template of RCA Report

- More meaningful profiling of incident throughout the country
- Can analyse common contributing factors of incidents throughout the country based on standardised RCA report

LESSONS LEARNED

Challenges Faced

- To produce policy and system which can be implemented efficiently, effectively and well received by the implementers.
- To change mind set of healthcare staff on patient safety & importance of reporting
- Limited resource to conduct training, improve reporting system, implement effective improvement based on Incident Investigation
- High turnover of staff at State Level & Quality Unit of Hospitals requires continuous training

How We Overcome?

- With **“Leadership, Engagement and Creativity”**
- Create leaders to motivate others & for capacity building
- Engage with relevant stakeholders to get feedback & improve system
- Creative to find best solution despite limited resource

SUMMARY OF KEY MESSAGES

1. Policy is essential in improving patient safety.
2. “Empathy” to the implementers is an important component to consider when formulating a policy
3. Policy need to be supported by promotion, capacity building and suitable tools.
4. Policy should be dynamic and responsive to the need of policy maker and stakeholders.
5. **“Leadership, Engagement and Creativity” is the key.**

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*Thank you.
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