Practice Change

Increase registered nurses’ (RNs’) knowledge of accurate expiration time frames for different IV tubing through flyers in the med rooms and shift safety huddles

Methods

- Administered anonymous paper pre-surveys to RNs
- Presented educational flyers for RN’s to review
- Anonymous post-surveys administered two weeks after education

Summary/Discussion

- **Next Steps:**
  - Create and implement a diagram to place in medication room
  - Place green labeling and supplies together in supply room for prompting of proper labeling.

- **Barriers of this Study:**
  - Lack of time to complete a post survey
  - Lack of feedback from distributed surveys placed on units.
  - Incomplete follow through from management when attempting to group supplies for ease of use.

Conclusion

- Line contamination is a patient safety concern
- Tubing labeling (with change dates and type of fluid) is a standard procedure that can be implemented to increase patient safety
- Implementation of this change process will require more education to staff and managerial support

References
