Hospital Play Service can Decrease Sedation Use for Children Undergoing Echocardiography in Tseung Kwan O Hospital

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ABOUT US

Hospital Play Specialists  Paediatricians

Nurses  Supporting staffs

Team Collaboration
INTERVENTION
The use of chloral hydrate markedly reduced from 100 episodes a year (2011/12) to zero episode (2017/18). All parents appreciated this change in practice and the workload of nursing staff was also reduced as there was no longer a need for post-sedation monitoring.

CONCLUSION

Hospital Play Service successfully decreased the use of sedation for children undergoing echocardiography in Tseung Kwan O Hospital. This multidisciplinary service model involving paediatricians, nurses and HPS could reduce the fear and anxiety experienced by the sick children. Responses from parents and health-care providers were all positive. Risk related to sedation was reduced to zero. HPS should be promulgated among local hospital paediatric service.