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Record Data without Interruption: Before, During and After Patient Transport

Networked technology supports clinic staff and patients

Lübeck – With a combination of the Infinity Acute Care System (IACS) and the Integrated Care Manager (ICM) clinical information system, the clinic staff can record the vital signs of patients without interruption. The Infinity M540 Monitor, a component of the IACS, also records vital signs during patient transport and transfers them to the ICM with no further actions required by the clinic staff. The ICM can also display the data throughout different departments.

"In order for all of the processes to function smoothly, we need a safe complete solution from one source for the data documentation without interruption, not numerous interfaces between individual systems", says Professor Walter Schaffartzik, Director of the Clinic for Anesthesiology, Intensive Medicine and Palliative Care at the Berlin Emergency Hospital (UKB). "That's why we have made the decision for the IACS and the ICM."

IACS and ICM – A Good Team

The IACS consists of the Infinity M540 vital signs monitor and the stationary Monitoring Infinity Medical Cockpit. The Infinity M540 Monitor also monitors all vital signs during transport without interruption. The clinic staff removes the Monitor from the docking station of the Infinity Medical Cockpit at the bedside and takes it with them during the transport. The M540 stores the data along the way and automatically transfers them to the ICM patient data management system immediately upon being docked. This networked technology means for the clinic staff that cables and hoses can remain with the patient and do not have to be removed and then reconnected. No additional steps are necessary to confirm the data transfer to the stationary system. "Seamless documentation allows us to keep an eye on our patients at all times and to be able to react immediately and appropriately", explains Schaffartzik. The ventilation and anesthesia devices can also be networked with the ICM so that the data of patients is automatically transferred from all components.

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All Data On Hand During Transfers

The transfer of patients to other wards is often associated with transport. In doing so, it is important that the clinic staff who accept the patient for further care have access to all of the collected data. The University Clinic Hamburg-Eppendorf (UKE) has networked ten different intensive care wards and the stroke unit ward with twelve beds each using the ICM.

"Not only the complete monitoring and treatment history, but also every remark of a care giver regarding the individual situation of a patient is recorded in the ICM and immediately displayed", says Annekathrin Wilhelm, Nurse for Anesthesiology and Intensive Care at the University Clinic Hamburg-Eppendorf (UKE).

Every caregiver in the clinic for intensive medicine has access authorization for the ICM and can access all patient data immediately. The system has an overall uniform configuration: "It especially helps employees within an intensive care pool who work at different wards not to have to adjust to a new system every day", says Annekathrin Wilhelm.

Dräger Medical GmbH is the manufacturer of the Infinity M540 Monitor, the Infinity Medical Cockpit and the Integrated Care Manager (ICM).

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