DEVELOPING SONOGRAPHER LED SERVICES

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LEADERS IN PATIENT CARE?
OF COURSE WE ARE!

Don’t assume the patient services provided here........

Are any better than the services you can provide here....
I DON'T KNOW

WHERE TO BEGIN
Improvement Models

- Preparation
- Launch
- Diagnosis
- Implementation
- Evaluation

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WHY CHANGE?

- Radiologists
- Role Development
- Increasing capacity to meet demand
- Being NICE to your patients
- Improving the day to day quality
KEY DRIVERS BEHIND CHANGE

- Government
- NICE
- Patient Expectations
- New Techniques and Technology
- Skill Mix due to shortages of some professions and expertise
- CIP
THE RIGHT TEAM FOR CHANGE – ANYONE INTERESTED?
TEAM APPROACH
BUILDING A CASE OF NEED
What happens now? HSG’s Vs HyCoSy?
Carried out by Radiologists with the assistance of Radiographers and Nurses

Ionising Radiation involved

Uncomfortable Procedure

Iodine based contrast

Often performed in an interventional radiology room

WHAT HAPPENS NOW?
Non ionising radiation imaging technique in a large demographic of young women.

Specialist Sonographer and a CIA instead of a Radiologist, Nurse and Radiographer.

Interventional Radiology rooms and Radiologists released

Role Development leading to Highly Specialised Sonographers which increases the knowledge and quality of the department as a whole as this can be disseminated integrated into everyday scanning

Increased Patient Satisfaction?

EXPECTS ADVANTAGES CHANGE MAY BRING?
CASE OF NEED

- Beneficial
- Service User Satisfaction
- Cost effective – including cost avoidance and cost savings
- Meet current recommended guidelines
- Evidence, evidence, evidence
TIME FOR ACTION
PRACTICALITIES
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- Education and Training for your staff/team
- Protocols for training and competent sonographers
- Who will be the clinical lead and gold standard?
- Safety Considerations – written consent required etc.
- Are PGDs required?
- Patients Journey through the system
- Patient Information Leaflets
- Audit
IF I KNEW THEN WHAT I KNEW NOW
We are judged by what we finish not by what we start
REFERENCES