



Professionalism

Human Factors

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Objectives:

- Define and describe the Human Factors and its relation to patient safety -
- Recognize the importance of applying human factors in healthcare
- Summarize the impact of Human Factors on people's health and patient safety -
- Differentiate between the different types of Medical Errors
- Describe several specific Actions to reduce medical errors as related to Humans Factors

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**This work covers:
our slides +
433 Team work**

What are Human Factors:

Human factors refer to environmental, organizational and job factors, and human and individual characteristics which influence behavior at work in a way which can affect health and safety.

Human factors can be defined as anything that affects an individual's performance.

human factors is to think about three aspects:

The job	The individual	The organization/environmental
<p>This including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Nature of the task● Workload● Working environment <p>*This includes matching the job to the physical and the mental strengths and limitations of people.</p>	<p>Including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Competency● Skills (changeable)● Personality,attitude(fixed)● Risk perception● Sleep deprivation <p>* Individual characteristics influence behavior in complex ways.</p>	<p>Including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Work patterns● The culture of the workplace, resources● Communications● Leadership and so on

The Benefit of Applying Human Factors in Healthcare

- .To prevent Medical Errors .
- .Understand why healthcare staff make errors
- .Identify 'systems factors' threaten patient safety
- .To prevent occupational accidents and ill health

Medical errors..
Failure of a planned action to be completed as intended or the use of a wrong plan to achieve an aim, such as :

- **Retained surgical instruments.**
- **Restraint -related injuries.**

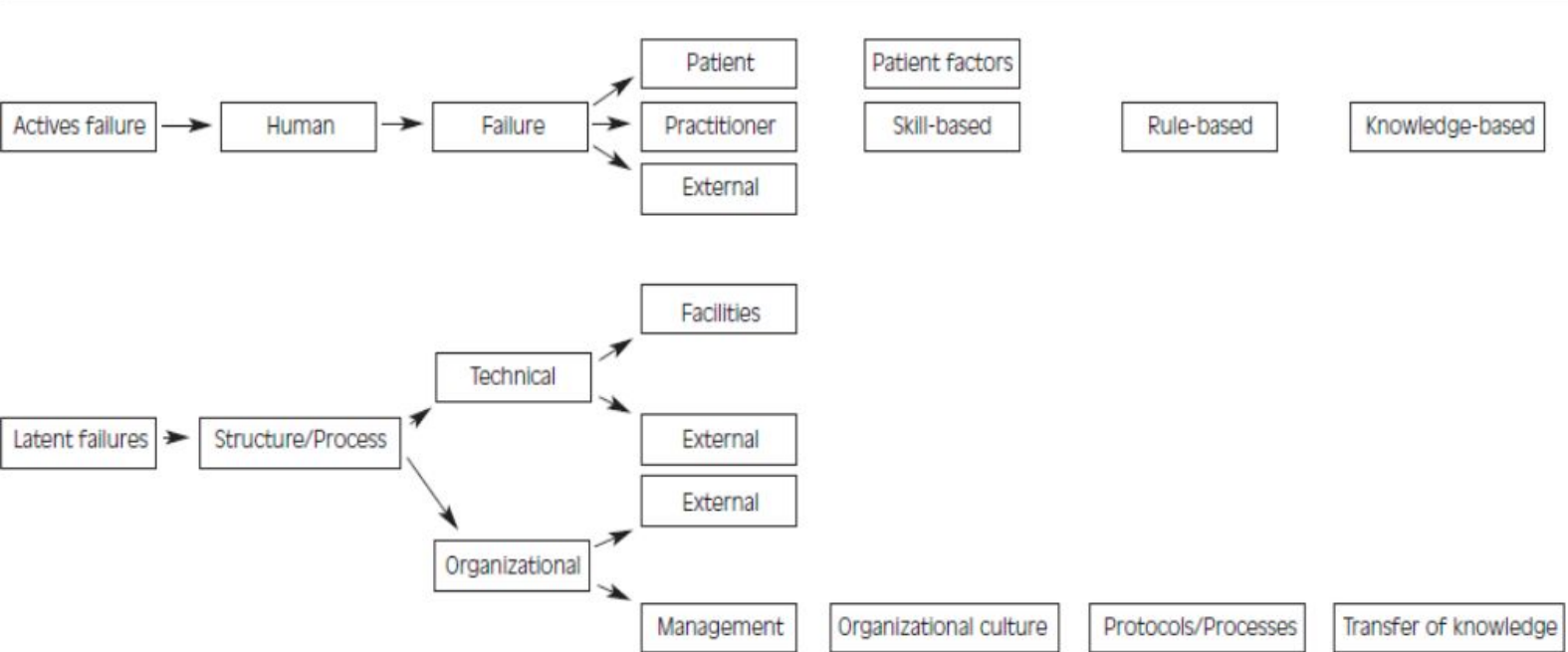


King Saud University Medical City (KSUMC)-Medical Errors:

- Expired medication.
- dispensed Un planned hysterectomy.
- Wrong Sponge counting.
- Self extubation.
- Wrong patient ID , went to wrong procedure.
- Wrong medication delivered.
- Wrong dose administered.

Sources of Error: (Read only)

Table 1. Classification of causes (JCAHO - Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations).



Modified from Chang et al., 2005 ⁵.

Types of Medical Errors: (Important)

Diagnostic <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Error or delay in diagnosis (in the case of the diabetic patient may lead to blindness or glaucoma).• Use of outmoded tests or therapy.	Preventive <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Failure to provide• prophylactic treatment• Inadequate monitoring or• follow-up of treatment (no order for anticoagulant post major orthopedic procedure may lead to PE).
Treatment <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Error in the performance of an operation, procedure, or test(inserting a breathing tube into a patient's esophagus).• Error in the dose or method of using a drug .	Other <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Failure of communication.• Equipment failure.

The Most Common Medical Errors:

- **Wrong site surgery** (13.4%)
- Patient suicide (11.9%) (not common on our hospitals)
- Operative and post operative complication (10.8%)
- Delay in treatment (8.6 %)
- Medication error (8.1 %)
- Patient fall (6.4 %)

Causes of Medical Errors: (Important)

1- Healthcare Complexity	2- System and Process Design	3- Environmental factors	4-Infrastructure failure	5- Human Factors and Ergonomics
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Complicated technologies. - Drugs interaction. - Intensive care. -<u>Prolonged hospital stay.</u> -<u>Multidisciplinary approach.</u> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Inadequate communication - Unclear lines of authority. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Over crowded services. - Unsafe care provision areas. - Areas poorly designed for safe monitoring. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lack of documentation process. - Lack of continuous improvement process. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - HALT → Hungry, Angry/ Emotions , Late/ lazy , Tired/fatigue/sleep less. - Lack of skilled workers. - Lack of training

Actions to Reduce Medical Errors as Related to Humans Factors..

Part 1: (Organization level) Organizational Management and Human Factors (important)..

- 1) **Developing a positive safety culture.**
 - Just culture.
 - Reporting culture (e-OVR Reporting system).
 - Learning culture(Morbidity and mortality review process).
- 2) **Human factors training in healthcare.**
- 3) **Develop Clinical Practice Guidelines , protocols , algorithms.. etc**

Part 2: Making your care and work safer

(individual level) (important) *Don't memorize the examples

Stress	Complex calculations	Storage	Physical demands
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Focus first on the tasks that are high risk or where it is particularly important. - In emergency situations : use algorithms and protocols. - Quickly allocate a clear leader. - Consider if there is a way of running a simulation with your team. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Find out if there is a pre-calculated list available in your area. - Before you start the task, think about ways of managing or avoiding distractions. For example, ask a colleague to take your bleep for a minute. - Look at the dose strengths of ampoules in your drug cupboard. - Double check with your colleague. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Look at the products you use and have stored. E.g Look-alike packaging. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Physical tiredness : get enough sleeping before your duty. - Demands exceeding capability : Most people at some time overestimate their abilities or underestimate their limitations.
Teamwork	Reliance on vigilance and memory	Distractions	The physical environment
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Briefing and debriefing can help teams develop a shared mental model of a planned procedure or a patient's clinical status. - SBAR (Situation, Background, Assessment, Recommendation). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - When you have a large number of tasks to remember making lists can be a helpful - Checklists or visible permanent reminders (The World Health Organization's (WHO) Surgical Safety Checklist). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Think about the tasks you do that require your focus (examples could be giving a blood transfusion, drug prescribing). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Poor lighting: Look at the lighting in the areas where you need to perform detailed or complex tasks.

OVR(Occurrence Variance Reporting) or IR(Incident Reporting):

Occurrence :An Occurrence is defined as any event or circumstance that deviates from established standards of care & safety.

OVR :an internal form/system used to document the details of the occurrence/event and the investigation of an occurrence and the corrective actions taken.

Quiz

1. Among the environmental factors that can lead to medical errors:

- a. Lack of skilled workers.
- b. Tired and fatigue staff.
- c. Poorly designed patient care area.

2. An unexpected occurrence involving death or serious physical or psychological injury is definition of:

- a. Medication errors.
- b. Sentinel event.
- c. Near mis

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