Patient Tracking for McKesson Surgical Manager™

Keeping your entire OR community informed in real time

Information changes rapidly. With the Patient Tracking module of the McKesson Surgical Manager™ solution, you can help keep your entire OR community informed in real time. High-resolution monitors communicate changes in room, case and patient status, reducing inter-department calls.

Workflow

You can define a field in the McKesson Surgical Manager™ Perioperative Charting module as a milestone in Patient Tracking. As nurses document clinical care, Patient Tracking displays updates via user-defined icons and colors. For example, completing a particular perioperative chart field may trigger the "Patient Ready for OR" milestone. Milestones can be contingent on the specific data collected, such as the wound class type. Significant alerts, such as allergies, can remain always visible.

Viewing

Patient Tracking uses visual icons and contrasting color schemes to communicate changes in the facility, including physician offices. The OR hub can display a big board view on large screens, while workstations display the small board view. Each phase of care can be color-coded to signify an event, such as "preoperative antibiotic given," or to correspond to phase-specific colors in Perioperative Charting. Scrolling messages communicate special announcements to staff.

Changes

Hover text provides patient and case detail as well as anticipated start and stop times. To adjust, drag the case's start or stop line to the correct time line; other times adjust accordingly. Start and stop time lines are linked with user-defined offsets, which may be changed or attached to a staff member.

Benefits

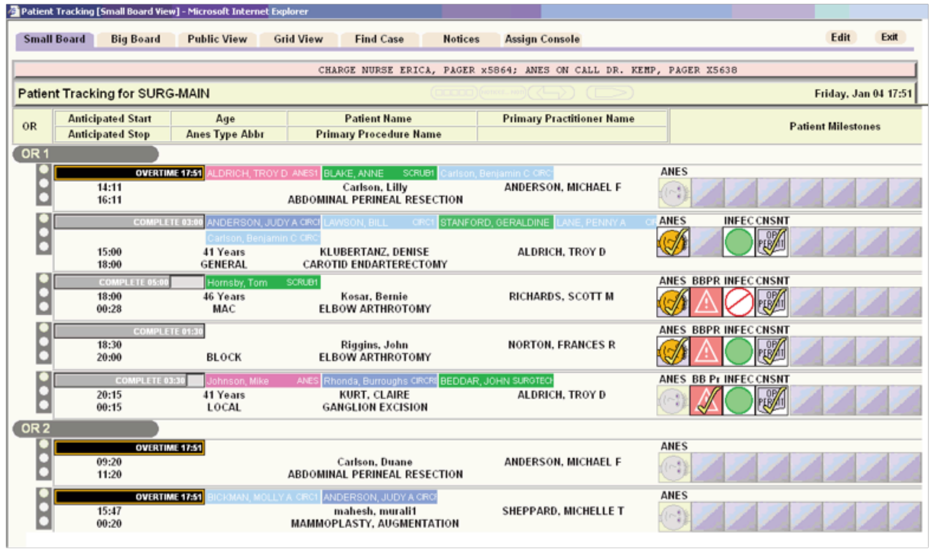
The Patient Tracking module helps organizations:

- Improve communication between physician offices and perioperative areas
- Streamline workflow by indicating changes in room, case and patient status
- Reduce calls between departments to check on staff location
- Alleviate family anxiety by allowing family members to track patient's progress
- Facilitate advance planning with drag-and-drop staff assignment console
- Support patient safety initiatives by allowing staff to review break times and relieve overworked colleagues
- Decrease the time needed for clinical documentation

Features

The Patient Tracking module includes:

- Multiple views for a variety of audiences displayed on workstations and large-scale monitors
- Secure access to patient case status displayed for families on waiting room and cafeteria monitors
- Real-time information display through milestones triggered by Perioperative Charting fields
- Staff assignment console with drag-and-drop technology to enable staff assignment up to five days in advance
- Room status indicators that allow display of active rooms
- Hover text to provide patient and case detail for quick reference
- User-defined offsets to coordinate phases of care



Patient Tracking displays patient, room and staff status at a glance, helping to smooth patient flow.

Room status

You can assign a room status, such as "closed for repairs," to any room. Selecting an applicable time frame and reason code from a drop-down menu quickly communicates the change throughout the perioperative area. Closed or completed rooms can be collapsed in the view, allowing users to see only active rooms.

Patient communication

Using a patient code for privacy, family members can track their loved one's progress via waiting room and cafeteria monitors that show the patient's physical location as well as appropriate milestones. Scrolling messages communicate valuable information to families to help improve overall patient satisfaction.

Staff assignments

Staff can be assigned to cases in all perioperative areas either as needed or in advance.

Yellow stars designate available staff, allowing managers to see the number of RNs or anesthesiologists currently available. Drag-and-drop technology facilitates quick re-assignment of staff members. Break and meal indicators allow staff to relieve an overworked peer.

Staff assignments are color-coded for quick identification. Role-based user-defined conflicts allow anesthesiologists to be assigned to multiple rooms. Because staff assignments interact directly with Perioperative Charting, nurses can simply pull the assigned staff into the chart during the case.

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