SMART Hospital Lessons from the operating theatres !

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OUTLINE

- 1. Why SMART hospital ?
- 2. Why SMART Operating Theatres ?

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- 3. Innovations : *Goldfinger, Gonazles*
- 4. Lessons learnt
- 5. Will Al/automation take my Job

Talent Pool

Smart Nation

Cost

Many Smart Ideas • One Smart Nation

Aging Population

Pandemic

Why OT ?

Most expensive asset in hospital

Rising cost of OT









D Stratified by setting

B Stratified by ownership



Fiscal Year



Why OT ?

 Highly specialized & complex environment

• Long talent training

Vulnerable pipeline

<u>4 "S" Tenets</u>



Why OT ? Clearer Care Segment

STAGES	Pre- Surgery Day	Pre- Surgery	In OR	Post- Surgery
STEPS				
ACTORS				
LOCATION				

Solutions: Digital & AI, Robotic & Automation, Process innovation

Patient being checked at Reception







Talents Surgeon Anaesthesia Nurses Radiographer



Cleaning Preparing Sterilizing Delivery

Equipment

Processing



Equipment

Integration of iSIM within surgical instruments flow in OT



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- 2. Additional time and resources required to retrieve adhoc instruments required during surgery.

INDUATION



Challenges faced:

- Manpower performing repetitive and low value adding tasks.
- Staff are vulnerable to strain injuries as they pick and pack instruments throughout their entire shift.

Restricted, Sensitive (Normal)



Circulating Nurses (Scrub)

- Check list
- Documentation
- Fetch ad-hoc equipment / supplies





Robot development- Gonzales Design





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SingHealth aims to use Artificial Intelligence to predict the type of equipment required and Smart Robotics to deliver ad-hoc instruments during Surgery.

AI to predict instruments for a specific surgery
Smart Robotics to deliver ad-hoc instruments for Surgery

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Project scope- Goldfinger

DIVISION O

INNOVATION &

Basic surgical sets – about 50% of the total instrument volume





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Talent – instrument technician

























Inspection



Approved Design (January 2020)

Big Box @ SGH SSU

- Bigbox was shifted to SSU on 2nd Apr 2022
- Demonstration of the robot on 10th & 11th May 2022
- Unfinished Modules:
 - Wrapping Bay,
 - Non-ring Spare Bay3C
- Brought back to HandPlus office to continue the development of unfinished modules and to improve reliability and repeatability







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BIG BOX SYSTEM (as installed at SGH, May 2022)

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ROBOTS

<u>Lessons</u> from SMART Operating Theatres

Infrastructure Data Connectivity Lessons from SMART **Operating Theatres** Value Workflow Proposition

Data

Data is not enough

Clinical Data is not enough

Clinical Data is not **Smart** enough

The healthcare stakeholders

Data flow

- Wrong type
- Not linked
- Not relevant at that segment
- Not collected



- Floor loading
- Corridor width & Turning angle

Infra/Connectivity

- Equipment payload
- Charging point and duration

• Lift / door opening

Staff X Time = Care delivery

Susceptible group

- Long training period
- Long & unpredictable work hours
- Complex environment
- Repetitive tasks
- Sub-optimal renumeration

Data

Human + robot interaction

Change management

Schedule and routine

Will A.I. / Automation take my JOB

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Will A.I. / Automation take my JOB to a higher level Yes ! Develop it Together NOW !

Everyone wants a SMART hospital.

• Start NOW & Start SMALL !

- To start; choose a Segment of care that traverse clinical, operations, financing, staff training and scheduling
- Readiness lessons from SMART OTs
 - Data : Type, Acquisition, Resultant action
 - Infrastructural
 - Connectivity
 - Workflow interaction with existing staff
- 4 "S" Core tenets : Safety, Synchrony, Sustainability, Social

SG Healthcare Assistive Robotics Programme (SHARP)

Nanyang Technological University (NTU) HandPlus Robotics ST Engineering & Aerospace Solutions (STEAS) SGH Future Health Systems (FHS) SGH Sterile Supplies Unit (SSU) SGH Major Operating Theatre (MOT) SHHQ Medical Technology Office (MTO) SHHQ Health Services Research Centre (OST) SHHQ Office of Service Transformation (HSRC)



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