

Standard 4: Nutritional assessment and support must be an integral part of the acute and immediate care for hip fracture patients

| Background | The Scottish Hip Fracture Audit introduced a new standard about patients receiving oral nutritional supplements within 24 hours of admission. |
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| The problem | Nursing staff would struggle getting the supplements from the kitchen as they believed Dietetics had to tell/order from the kitchen first. |
| The solution | I spoke with Orthopaedic staff and they discussed and agreed on what was the best way forward to implement a change. This was done and agreed with Dietetics. Orthopaedic staff can now order direct from the kitchen and have a supply delivered to the ward frequently. Patients are being offered and given these drinks at the times they should. |
| The outcome | It is being documented on an agreed form that the supplements are being given and the Orthopaedic staff have said that by doing this it has made things easier for them. |
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