Optimizing the Smart Pump Drug Library Update Process: An Ongoing Effort at an Academic Medical Center



In 2018, we identified that there was **no formal process in place to update the Alaris pump guardrails drug library**.

We used a multimodal approach to **improve our drug library activation rates**. A few of the key process elements were:

- Communication
- Establishing a strong interdisciplinary team
- A pump update day
- Changing the drug library naming convention
- Education

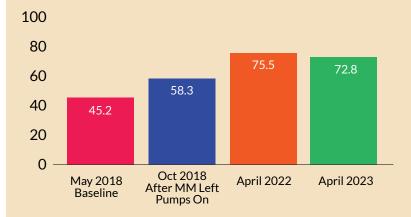
One early and impactful strategy:

Materials management (MM) storing all infusion pumps powered on and ready to receive drug library updates.



Increase in drug library activation within the first two days of intervention Prior to this project, it took about 7 days to activate a drug library on 50% of our pump fleet.

In April 2023, our drug library activation rate was **72.8% within 5 days of release**.



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