

IMPROVING INVESTIGATIONAL DRUG MANAGEMENT: AN INNOVATIVE PROCESS



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Why was it done

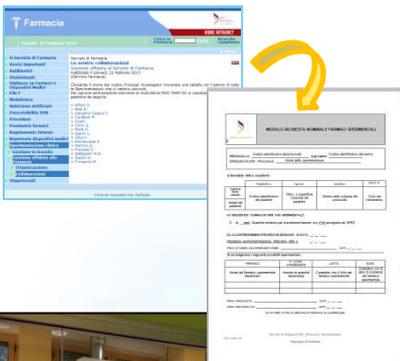
In our university teaching hospital with a large amount of clinical trials, pharmacy service proposed an optimisation of investigational drug (ID) management.

What was done?

The new process was developed in order to face the significant increase of ID management assigned to Pharmacy, along with the logistic problems due to the several areas of storage, dispensing and administration.

How was it done?

The pharmacy service created for each CT a specific form organized into 5 sections. Five different types of management had been identified, based on the characteristics of storage, the activities required by the protocol (IWRS, unblinded pharmacist, drug preparation) and the dispensing method.



What has been achieved?

The development of the new procedure ensured the ID tracking, the overcoming of logistical difficulties and an increase of the safety.

What next?

We are going to keep on improving the pharmacist role in CT by ensuring ID are handled, stored and correctly managed. The objective is to enhance the collaboration of clinical research professionals in the management of CT.