Management of delirium in hospital

Dr Rod Kersh, Consultant in Holistic & Person-Centred Medicine, Doncaster & Bassetlaw Teaching Hospitals
Wednesday 15th March 2017 #icanpreventDelirium
Top tips for supporting people with Delirium in acute hospital settings

This list is by no means exhaustive... There is always more that can be done to improve patients’ care and experience

All of these tips work for people who have or have not dementia or delirium
Orientation...
John’s Campaign

is a public declaration stating that your ward welcomes carers at all times to support patients living with dementia or experiencing delirium, whenever the patient needs them, including overnight if necessary.

John’s Campaign

encourages ward staff to regard friends, relatives and carers as part of the multi-disciplinary team, to gain a better understanding of our patient’s lives, enabling us to provide holistic, person-centred care.

Doncaster and Bassetlaw Hospitals supports John’s Campaign and Dementia Friends.
Catheters and cannulae

Katherine Cavanaugh - intravenous
Pills, potions & remedies
Mobilise, Get dressed & Get up!

“You don’t have to take your clothes off…”

- Loss of muscle strength
- Longer stay in hospital
- High risk of infection

- Quicker recovery
- Maintain normal routine
- Return home sooner

Get dressed – Get moving!

#endPJparalysis
Dentures, specs & hearing aids
Clutter, light, windows & boundaries
Noise, Music, Voices

James W Johnson, Background Noise
Cycle Time – Pain
Dimitrina Doychinova
Keep people safe from harm

Kate Knight,
These Fragile Things
Thank You!

@rodkersh
Rod.kersh@dbh.nhs.uk
www.almondemotion.com