

ResQ Carts: A Better Method for Crash Cart Organization



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Problem

Unmet Needs

- Current crash carts
- replace entire drawers when materials are used
- variance of organization between different hospitals or within the same hospital
- When joining a code team in the middle of a code:
 - There is no way of knowing the current state of the event
- There is no method of keeping track of the procedure timings

Problem Statement

A way to restructure and streamline the organization of the material resupply, charting of procedures, and operations in a code event to improve the efficiency of hospital workings during a code response.

Proposed Solution

Indication of Materials Needed for Procedure

LED lights

Digital Charting & Management of Team

Smart tablet

Ease of Sterilization

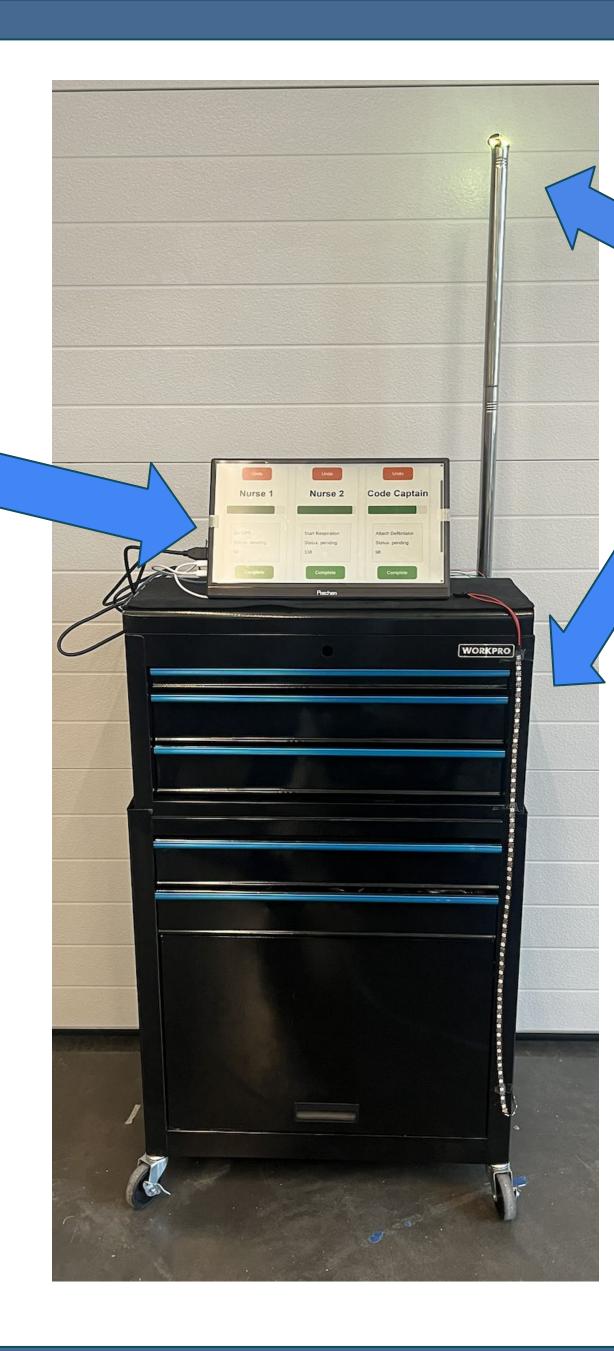
Anti-microbial coating

Prototypes

Final Prototype

UI System:
Charting and
Management System

- Automated charting process
- Assists in keeping track of procedural actions



Lighting system: CPR and Drawer Indicators

- Used to maintainCPR pace
- Reduces
 confusion
 resulting due to
 organizational
 differences

Finances

Cost

- Prototype 1 \$143.77
- Prototype 2 \$339.76
- Prototype 3 \$97.55
- Final Prototype \$0.00
- Final Cost \$581.08

Reimbursements

- CPT 92950
- CPT 99291
- CPT 92331-99233

Patents

US7778851B2

- Describes an information system
- Not violated
 US8695996B2 and EP0257637B1
- Locking systems for carts
- Not Violated

Testing

User Testing

- Objective:
 - Determine functionality, effectiveness, and ease of use of prototype
- Plan:
 - Volunteer hospital staff run through a mock code using our prototype
 - Intuitiveness, functionality, and effectiveness evaluated based on verbal feedback and physical survey
- Results:
 - Functionality, effectiveness, ease of use were all rated with an average of 4 out of 5

Mechanical Testing

- Objective:
 - Determine durability of cart, light system, CPR lights, and personnel light system
 - Determine mobility of cart with the added features
- Plan:
 - Evaluate for any damage to cart during and after each mock code event
- Results:
 - Significant damage to one wheel due to manufacturing error; damage was repaired

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