

Recycling in the ED, Easy as 1,2,3!

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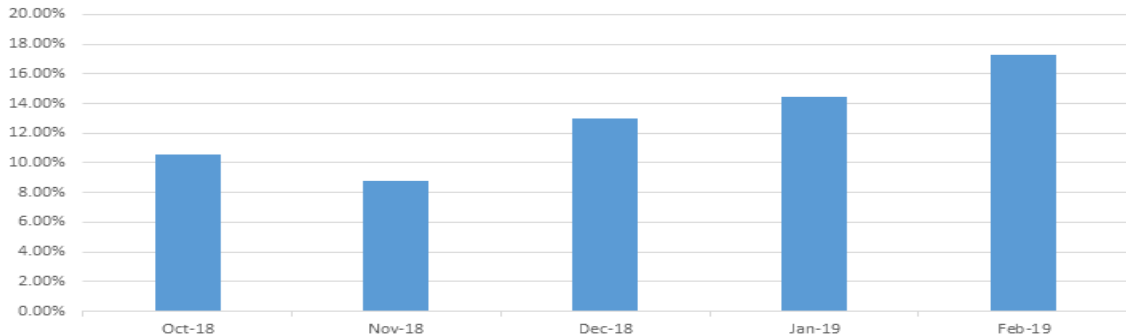


Current initiatives:

- ◆ PVC Recycling
- ◆ Introduction of Co-mingled recycling
- ◆ Switching Styrofoam drinking cups to paper cups
- ◆ Switching plastic spoons for wooden stirrers
- ◆ Replacing lighting to LEDs in car park and main lit areas of the hospital

Why is this important?

Diversion as Total Waste



Is it possible? How?

- ◆ ABSOLUTLEY!
- ◆ Ask! Ask! Ask!
 - ◆ Speak to your manager or higher ups about what sustainability policies are available.
 - ◆ If you find yourself being obstructed, go above, in a hospital setting you can consider emailing Corporate Services or Environmental Services about what they believe can be improved.
 - ◆ Email companies and submit an expression of interest

Is it possible? How?

- ◆ Attend a sustainability meeting at your workplace – or even better, start one!
 - ◆ Brainstorm ideas to target different areas
 - ◆ Increased knowledge from people working in different health areas

Changing Behaviours

- ◆ Keep Cup incentive
- ◆ Positive reinforcement
- ◆ Sustainability Day 2019

Obstacles

- ◆ Size and space limitations
- ◆ Lack of Support
 - ◆ Keep asking
 - ◆ Network
- ◆ Staff attitudes
- ◆ Lack of education
- ◆ Change already occurring in a workplace
 - ◆ Be strategic

Projects Underway

- ◆ Envision Hands Initiative
- ◆ Phasing out all plastic cutlery (that isn't for patient use)
- ◆ Aerobic composter
- ◆ Return and Earn scheme
- ◆ Solar panels

How you can make a difference:

- ◆ Suggest a discount for reusable coffee cups
- ◆ Switch to LED lighting
- ◆ Refillable water bottle station
- ◆ Collect bottles to return and earn
- ◆ Switch to environmentally friendly alternatives
- ◆ Print double sides

Good Luck

- ◆ Be part of the **SOLUTION** not part of the **POLUTION**