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Paperless medication management now live at Liverpool Hospital

The digital transformation of Liverpool Hospital has taken a giant step forward with the launch of the Electronic Medication Management System (eMeds).

This is the latest milestone in the state-wide rollout of eMeds, led by the state's digital health agency - eHealth NSW.

More than 3000 staff have received training to use the specialised system which replaces paper charts with an electronic medication record.

Liverpool Hospital General Manager Karen McMenemy said electronic records had been opened millions of times since the new system went live in October.

"We transitioned from paper to electronic medication management in five days, which was a fantastic result," she said.

"The COVID-19 pandemic meant we had to adapt our training to online learning and incorporate COVID-safe practices into our go-live strategy.

"Our staff did an amazing job and I am very proud of the successful introduction of the new system."

Ms McMenemy said eMeds was a part of the electronic medical record (eMR) and a safer and more effective system to manage medication.

"The new system improves the accuracy and visibility of medication information and communication with patients about their medication," Ms McMenemy said.

"Our staff now have legible medication charts 24 hours a day."

The hospital's Nurse Manager Clinical Informatics Rosemary Beenie said staff had welcomed the new system.

"Staff are delighted with the change from paper to electronic medication management, which brings Liverpool Hospital in line with the rest of the state," she said.

"Patient safety is improved and our clinicians' time is freed up so they can spend more time with their patients."