## Background

### **Complications of Fluid Overload**

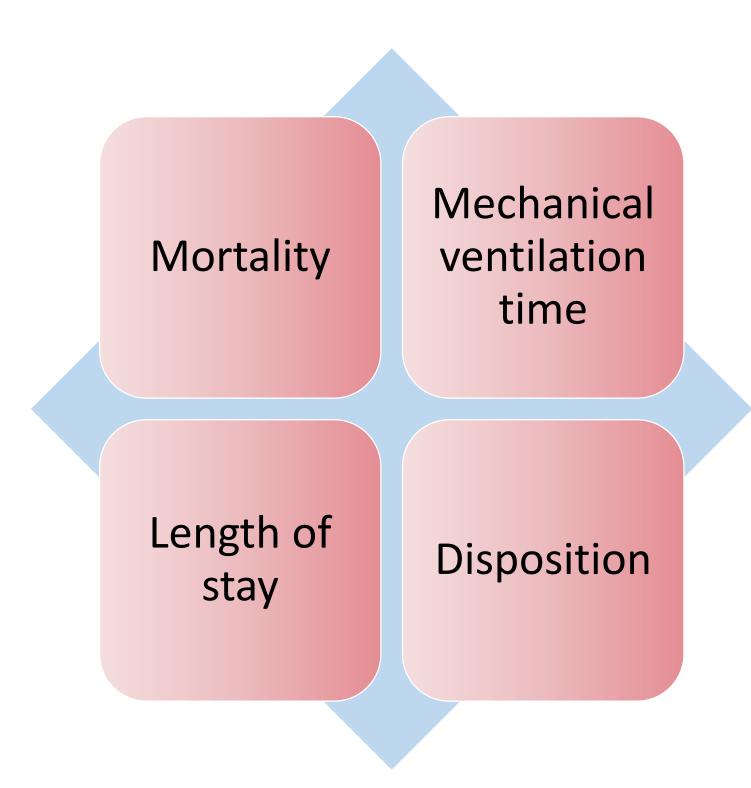


Figure 1: Fluid overload is common within the intensive care setting and is known to cause pathophysiologic alterations and negative patient care outcomes

## Fluid Stewardship

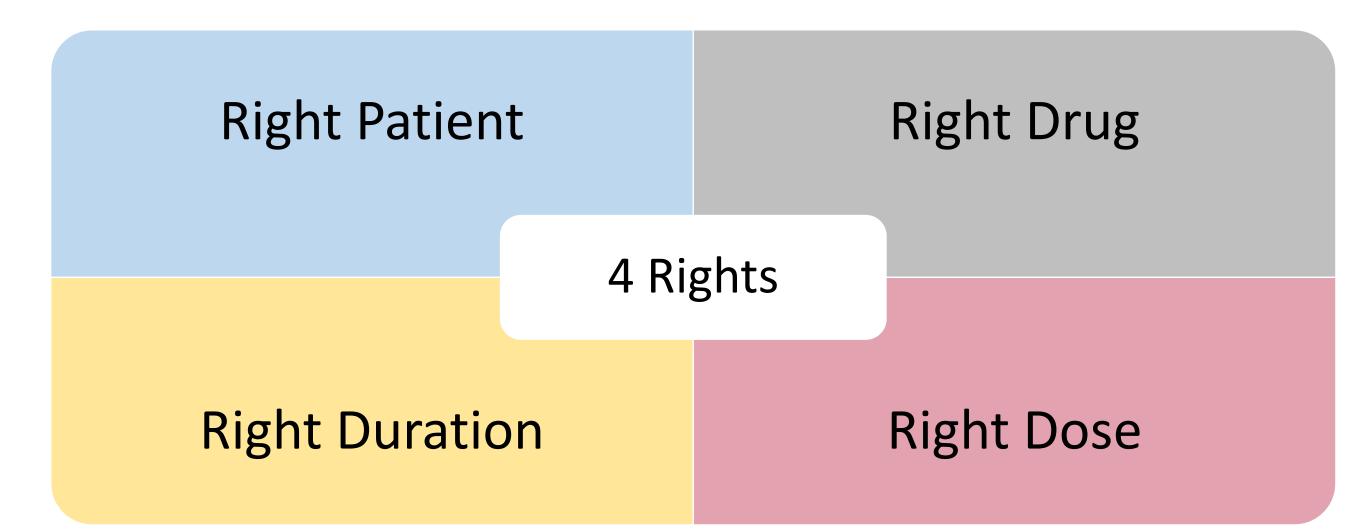


Figure 2: Pharmacists play a key role in fluid stewardship in critically ill patients including evaluation of need of resuscitation, determining proper fluid choice, assessing volume status, and determining resuscitation volume

## **ROSE Curve for Timing of Fluid Interventions**

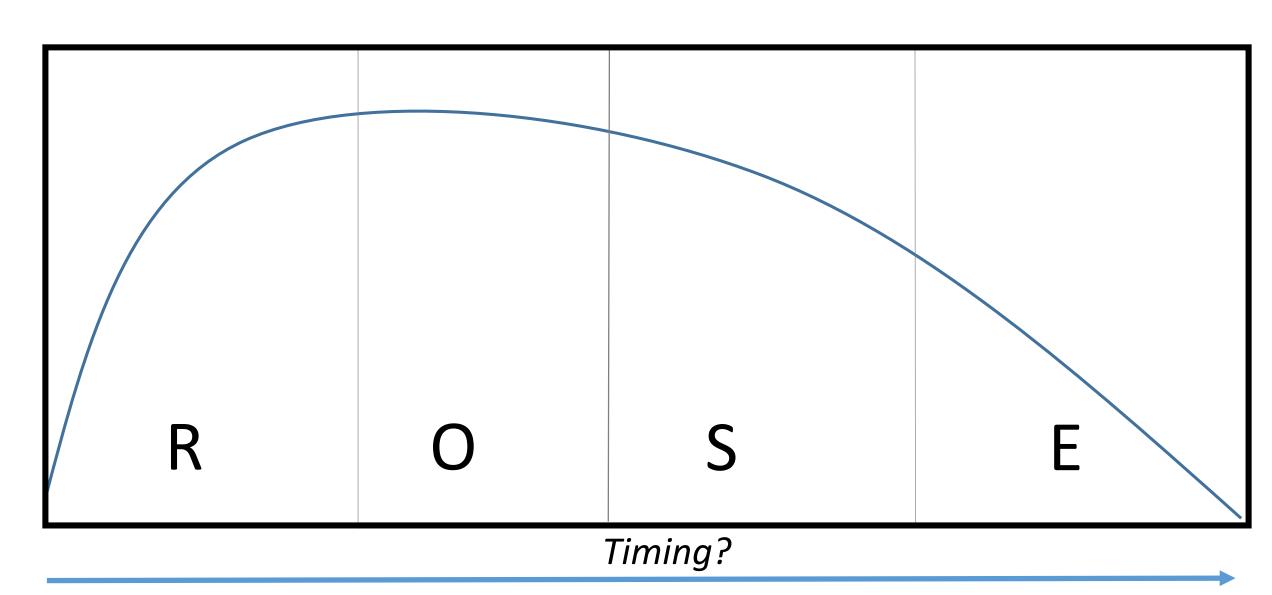


Figure 3: Prospective identification of patients at risk for fluid overload may help optimize timing of clinical interventions for pharmacists

### **MRC-ICU Scoring Process**

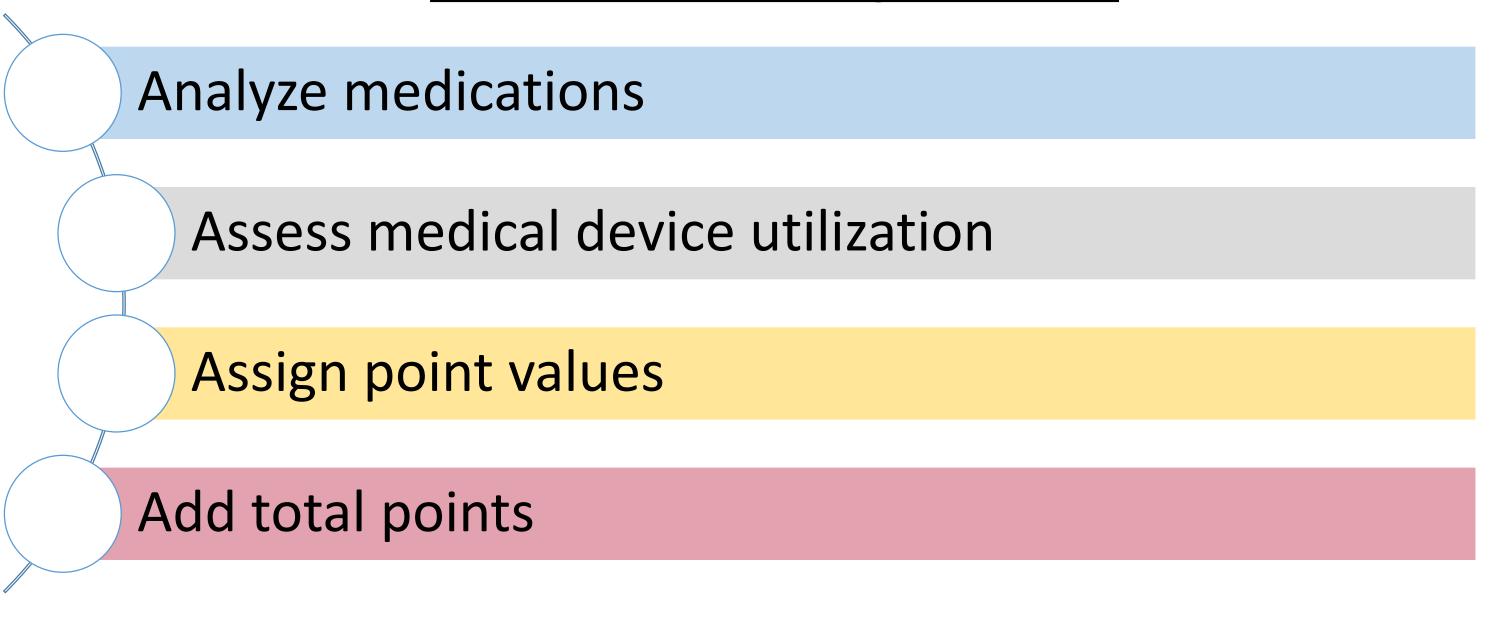


Figure 4: The MRC-ICU scoring tool measures medication regimen complexity and may be able to predict patients in highest need of fluid stewardship

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A <u>direct correlation</u> between the <u>MRC-ICU score</u> and <u>fluid</u> balance in the intensive care setting is expected







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# Study Design

#### **Hypothesis**

Does the MRC-ICU score correlate to positive fluid balance in critically ill patients?

#### Methods

- Patients admitted to the medical intensive care unit between January 1 2017 and April 2018 were included
- Inclusion criteria will consist of patients aged 18 years or older, admitted to the intensive care unit for over 72 hours
- Total fluid volume and specific IV medication administration data will be collected for the first three intensive care unit days
- Data will be collected via chart review of the electronic medical record with an expected population of 50 patients
- Demographic information, including patient age and gender, will be collected. Descriptive and inferential stats will be used as appropriate. Sample size was estimated to be 50 patients.

#### **Future Implications**

MRC-ICU predicts fluid overload

Promote early de-resuscitation practices

Minimize negative clinical outcomes

Optimize pharmacist-to-patient ratios

Determine

utilization of

pharmacy

resources

Figure 5: Accurately predicting fluid overload in ICU patients may help minimize negative patient outcomes and optimize pharmacist workflow.

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