In early May 2016, the Surgical Information Management System (SIMS) is being upgraded and the changes will affect the Adult, Child Health, Women’s Health and Obstetrics programs at Health Sciences Centre Winnipeg (HSC). This upgrade is the first stage of a project that is expanding SIMS to St. Boniface Hospital, Seven Oaks General Hospital, Concordia Hospital, Grace Hospital and Victoria General Hospital.

The operating room floor will have a new big board view of patients undergoing surgical services at HSC.

The board still displays rooms against time of the day. The bubbles will contain the case number, surgeon, patient, DOB, patient status and anesthetist.

NEW:
1. Surgeons’ own words for the surgical procedure, not just ICD 9 codes
2. Column beside room will display staff names who are working in the theatre
3. Legend with new colours:
   a. purple – patient leaving OR
   b. dark green – cases on hold
4. Message board strip at the bottom, which will have key messages for all team members

The board is intuitive and once you have reviewed its new look and feel, it will be as easy to digest as the big board of the past.