

Tartu University Hospital: our experience

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TARTU ÜLIKOOLI KLIINIKUM

TARTU UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL



- 4656 employees (incl. 794 physicians, 1787 nurses)
- 969 beds
- 497 819 doctor`s outpatient visits
- 38 567 treated inpatients

- 01.09.2021 EMAS



TARTU UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL: GREEN AND SUSTAINABLE HOSPITAL



- TU Hospital as one of the biggest hospitals in Estonia has large environmental footprint
- Management of environmental aspects and impacts have been a priority for years
- Focus on resource efficiency and safe management of waste
- Recent focus on energy efficiency (new buildings)
- Increasing environmental awareness of our employees and also community/patients
- EMAS implementation and registration of EMAS in 2019 was a natural step



COVID-PANDEMIC IMPACT ON OUR ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

- EMAS implementation and verification was carried out during the pandemic
- Resources and attention on healthcare crisis, less time for environmental management
- Consumption of materials and generation of healthcare waste has increased tremendously during the COVID-19 period

LESSONS LEARNED



- Important to have a proper system that helps to identify all relevant risks and opportunities
- Need to put even more attention on risk and crisis management
- EMAS provides a good framework for hospitals in developing better environmental as well as risk/crisis management



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