Budgeting

1. Pick a department
   1. WARD
2. Mission – What u do!
   1. To provide admission services, care and monitoring to inpatients until discharge
3. Core tasks that need to be budgeted for in the department
   1. To admit
   2. To treat and monitor
   3. To discharge
4. What are the key tasks?
5. Who performs these key tasks?
   1. Doctor
   2. Nurse
6. What do they need in order to perform?

How do you determine costs?

* need to define the end product (output)
* e.g. delivery of baby, preterm? CS?
* Can use methods to allocate resources
  + Stepdown allocation
    - Take global cost and give another criteria to assign to your output
  + Activity based costing (ABC)
    - Itemize every process that goes into producing the output
* Fixed vs Variable costs
* Direct vs Indirect costs
* Outsourcing? – hire other bodies to handle the task at hand