This bulletin collates information from key resources relating to quality improvement. These are presented by source to assist in the aim of continuously improving the quality of care and outcomes for patients.

**Academy of Medical Royal Colleges**

Training for better outcomes: developing quality improvement into practice


**Care Quality Commission**

Medicines in health and adult social care: Learning from risks and sharing good practice for better outcomes


**HQIP Healthcare Quality Improvement Partnership**

Impact Report [A summary of some of the key impacts the projects within the NCAPOP have had.


National Diabetes Audit: Core Report 1 – Care Processes and Treatment Targets


Oesophago-Gastric Cancer: Short Report. Why do patients with a curative treatment plan for oesophago-gastric cancer not go on to receive surgery?


Sentinel Stroke National Audit Programme – Annual Report 2019


**NHS England and NHS Improvement**

“From 1 April 2019, NHS England and NHS Improvement are working together as a new single organisation to better support the NHS to deliver improved care for patients. ... Our new single operating model has been designed to support delivery of the NHS Long Term Plan.”

[https://www.england.nhs.uk/about/about-nhs-england/](https://www.england.nhs.uk/about/about-nhs-england/)

Delayed transfer of care (DTOC) improvement tool (updated version)


Elective Care Transformation Programme – handbooks to support the improvement of local health and care systems for elective care services:

- Transforming elective care services general surgery

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- Transforming elective care services gynaecology

- Transforming elective care services respiratory

Falls prevention resources. Resources to reduce the instances of falls in hospitals. (CQUIN audit tool template updated)
https://improvement.nhs.uk/resources/falls-prevention-resources/

NHS RightCare: Frailty Toolkit Optimising a frailty system

BMJ Quality and Safety

Below are the contents pages from 2 journals, BMJ Quality & Safety and BMJ Open Quality, containing articles relevant to quality improvement (QI).

BMJ Quality & Safety
https://qualitysafety.bmj.com/
RSS - http://qualitysafety.bmj.com/rss/current.xml

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ORIGINAL RESEARCH
- Drivers of potentially avoidable emergency admissions in Ireland: an ecological analysis
- Bending the cost curve: time series analysis of a value transformation programme at an academic medical centre
- Effect of data validation audit on hospital mortality ranking and pay for performance
- Patient safety and the ageing physician: a qualitative study of key stakeholder attitudes and experiences
- Using a 10-step framework to support the implementation of an evidence-based clinical pathways programme
- Patterns of performance and improvement in US Medicare’s Hospital Star Ratings, 2016–2017

VIEWPOINT
- Governing the safety of artificial intelligence in healthcare

SYSTEMATIC REVIEW
- Impact of decision aids used during clinical encounters on clinician outcomes and consultation length: a systematic review

THE PROBLEM WITH
- The problem with pay-for-performance schemes

BOOK REVIEW
- Writing to improve healthcare: tips for authors
BMJ Open Quality

https://bmjopenquality.bmj.com/
RSS - http://bmjopenquality.bmj.com/rss/current.xml

Full-text articles freely available.

LATEST CONTENT – June 2019

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

- Improving hospital-based communication and decision-making about scope of treatment using a standard documentation tool
- Motivating Change: a grounded theory of how to achieve large-scale, sustained change, co-created with improvement organisations across the UK
- Cost conscious care: preoperative evaluation by a cardiologist prior to low-risk procedures
- Improving the safety of high-concentration potassium chloride injection
- Development of a prediction model for 30-day acute readmissions among older medical patients: the influence of social factors along with other patient-specific and organisational factors
- Value-based healthcare analysis of joint replacement surgery for patients with primary hip osteoarthritis
- Development and initial testing of a Health Confidence Score (HCS)
- Improving the effectiveness of cancer multidisciplinary team meetings: analysis of a national survey of MDT members’ opinions about streamlining patient discussions
- Monitoring work well-being, job confidence and care provided by care home staff using a self-report survey

SHORT REPORT

- Redesigned intravenous fluid order form with more perceived safety and accuracy for after-hours doctors

BMJ QUALITY IMPROVEMENT REPORT

- Increasing colorectal cancer screening orders using unlicensed assistive personnel
- Interventional bundle for venous thromboembolism prevention: ensuring quality and effectiveness
- Improving transition outcomes in adolescents with permanent hearing loss
- Quality improvement measures for early detection of severe intravenous infiltration in infants
- Shoulder Reduction Bench Project: improving care for patients with shoulder dislocations
- Fast-track pathway for elective caesarean section: a quality improvement initiative to promote day 1 discharge
- Reducing the rare event: lessons from the implementation of a ventilator bundle
- Financial incentives linked to quality improvement projects in Swedish primary care: a model for improving quality of care
- Improving the accuracy of digital templating: achieving success through stakeholder management
- Successful prospective quality improvement programme for the identification and management of patients at risk of sepsis in hospital
- Improving the prehospital management of ST elevation myocardial infarction: a national quality improvement initiative
RESEARCH & REPORTING METHODOLOGY

- A focused mapping review and synthesis of a priori risk factors associated with medical misconduct

**Future Healthcare Journal (Royal College of Physicians)**

**http://futurehospital.rcpjournal.org/**

Full-text articles freely available.

Selected articles from the June 2019 Issue vol.6(2)

**Update from RCP Quality Improvement: QI, what do we need to learn?**
Future Hosp J June 2019 6:91-92; doi:10.7861/futurehosp.6-2-91
http://futurehospital.rcpjournal.org/content/6/2/91.full

**Other journal articles**

Occasionally, we’ll highlight articles on QI methods and audit to drive quality improvement. These articles have been published recently in journals which are not featured regularly in this bulletin. Please contact the Library to request a literature search in your specialism.

http://dx.doi.org/10.1111/pan.13621


http://dx.doi.org/10.1111/1467-9566.12868


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Spotlight on SQUIRE (Standards for Quality Improvement Reporting Excellence)

In issue number 5, October 2018 we highlighted the SQUIRE reporting guidelines and support for authors in the use of the guidelines¹. Here are links to three recently published articles where the authors have either used the SQUIRE guidelines in reporting their studies (Gellerstedt et al., 2019; Omura et al., 2019) or to assess the quality of QI publications in a particular specialty (Sacks et al., 2019).


From the Institute for Healthcare Improvement

Patient Safety Tools: Their Benefits and Limitations
Blog post by F. Federico | Tuesday, June 25, 2019
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