

## Quality Improvement Evidence Update – March 2026

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### QUALITY IMPROVEMENT



- [National Improvement Conference 2026 held 3 March 2026 - resources](#) (NHS Confederation)
- [Improvement in the NHS - Board Paper](#) (NHS England)
- [Co-producing change](#) – Podcast (**NHS Confederation / The Health Foundation**)
- [Quality management and clinical audit: Integrating clinical audit and quality improvement to deliver impact for patients. By Iain Smith](#) (BMJ Leader Blog)
- [Implementing consistent pretreatment multidisciplinary review for breast cancer: a quality improvement project](#) (BMJ Open Quality)
- [Improving implementation of Enhanced Recovery After Surgery \(ERAS\) to increase timeliness of recovery after cardiac surgery: a quality improvement project](#) (BMJ Open Quality)
- [National improvement initiative operationalising a 7 Phase Whole System Approach Framework \(WSA7\) to improve the management of chronic pain and decrease high-risk opioid prescribing across integrated care systems in England](#) (BMJ Open Quality)
- [Reducing wait times for hospital-based outpatient mental healthcare: what works?](#) (BMJ Open Quality)
- [Implementing and evaluating a low-carbon, high-quality perioperative patient warming pathway](#) (BMJ Quality & Safety)
- [Quality as a catalyst to achieve environmentally sustainable healthcare](#) (BMJ Quality & Safety)
- [Thinking critically about AI documentation quality in primary care](#) (BMJ Quality & Safety)
- [Operations Management](#) (Cambridge University Press – Elements of Improving Quality and Safety in Healthcare)
- [Strategies to reduce extubation failure in the neonatal intensive care unit: A Quality improvement approach](#) (International Journal for Quality in Health Care)

### PATIENTS & PEOPLE



- [Experiences of people from minoritised groups who report healthcare-related harm in the UK: a qualitative socioecological study exploring factors contributing to unsafe care](#) (BMJ Open Quality)
- [Qualitative exploration of service users and social prescribing link workers of the Armed Forces Community social prescribing scheme in Cornwall](#) (BMJ Open Quality)
- [Cocreation and codesign in maternal health: processes, outcomes and implementation challenges](#) (BMJ Quality & Safety)
- [Parent hospital experiences following stillbirth](#) – US (Frontiers in Psychiatry)
- [Will the recent raft of policy developments in palliative and end of life care make a difference for patients?](#) (Nuffield Trust)
- [A Pilot Study Evaluating Traditional and Artificial Intelligence \(AI\)-Generated Bedside Art Interventions in Hospital Care](#) (The Patient)
- [Patient Experience and Perception of First Language Usage in Healthcare: The Welsh Perspective](#) (The Patient)
- [It shouldn't be this hard, Solving the NHS maze for patients and GPs](#) (Royal College of General Practitioners / Patients Association)

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## STRATEGY



- [Scribe and prejudice? Exploring the use of AI transcription tools in social care](#) (Ada Lovelace Institute)
- [Comprehensive recommendations for the implementation of artificial intelligence in healthcare: a narrative review on facilitators and barriers](#) (BMJ Open Quality)
- [The National Cancer Plan for England, delivering world class cancer care](#) (Department of Health and Social Care)
- [Global State of Patient Safety 2025](#) (Imperial)
- [KPMG 2025 Global CEO Outlook: Healthcare](#) (KPMG)
- [The Model Emergency Department, high performing urgent and emergency care pathways](#) (NHS England)
- [Ambient voice technology in health care: what's the evidence so far?](#) – Blog (Nuffield Trust)
- [Commissioning: lessons from the last 30 years and implications for the new role of ICBs](#) – Long read (Nuffield Trust)
- [Mixed-method evaluation of ambient voice technology: phase 1](#) – Report (Nuffield Trust)
- [Will specialist advice and guidance reduce the waiting list for planned care as the government hopes?](#) – Long read (Nuffield Trust)
- [Fixing the front doors? Public perceptions of the NHS and general practice](#) – Briefing (The Health Foundation)
- [Public mood and the future of the NHS – with Luke Tryl](#) – Podcast (The Health Foundation)
- [Public perceptions of health and social care: Polling results](#) – Report (The Health Foundation)
- [Unpaid care: the realities of caring in the UK](#) – Analysis (The Health Foundation)

## EVENTS



- 23 Mar 2026: [NHS IMPACT: Quality management systems](#) - Online, 12:30-13:50
- 25 Mar 2026: [Q Member Event \(in person, London\)](#) - In person event, all day, London
- 31 Mar 2026: [Shine a light on co-production March event](#) - NHSE, Online, 10:30-12:00
- 30 Apr 2026: [NHS IMPACT: Learning from Scotland's improvement journey](#) - Online, 10-10:50
- 12 May 2026: [The Shrewsbury and Telford NHS Trust - Improvement Site Visit](#) – In person
- 12 May 2026: [South Warwickshire NHS Foundation Trust – Improvement Site Visit](#) – In person
- 18 May 2026: [George Eliot Hospital - Improvement Site Visit](#) – In person
- 19 May 2026: [NHS IMPACT: The anti-racism model for improvement](#) – Online, 12.30-13.20
- 20 May 2026: [Hertfordshire Partnership University NHS FT - Improvement Site Visit](#) – In person
- 2 June 2026: [How to set up a good quality PDSA cycle](#) - QIC Learn, Online 13:00-14:00
- 10-11 June 2026: [NHS Confed Expo 2026](#) - Manchester
- 18 June 2026: [NHS IMPACT: Leadership for improvement](#) - Online, 10:00-10:50
- 6 July 2026: [Central and North West London NHS FT- Improvement Site Visit](#) – In person
- 9 July 2026: [Lincolnshire Community & Hospitals NHS Group - Improvement Site Visit](#)
- 24 November 2026: [THIS Space 2026](#) - Free online, all day
- 18 January 2027: [North East London FT – Improvement Site Visit](#) – In person

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