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QUALITY IMPROVEMENT

- Use of implementation science frameworks to identify core components and sustainability characteristics of a quality improvement learning collaborative (BMC Health Services Research)
- Decreasing blood culture contamination rates in a rural emergency department: a quality improvement initiative (BMJ Open Quality)
- Enhancing senior physician-led multidisciplinary team rounds to improve patient care at Wallaga University Comprehensive Specialized Hospital, 2025 (BMJ Open Quality)
- Evaluating the implementation of the Saving Babies Lives Care Bundle Version 2 from service user and healthcare professionals perspectives: a questionnaire study (BMJ Open Quality)
- Improving the compliance of orthopaedic wrist and hand referrals against the musculoskeletal recommendations from the 2018 Evidence-based Interventions programme, along with local guidance in Greater Manchester: A quality improvement project (BMJ Open Quality)
- Improving the detection and documentation of suspected cauda equina syndrome: a quality improvement project (BMJ Open Quality)
- Improving the person-centredness of occupational therapy input into care planning in acute adult and older adults inpatient services using Goal-Directed Care Plan guidelines (BMJ Open Quality)
- Informed consent: is it more than a formality? a quality improvement project in surgical practice (BMJ Open Quality)
- Multidisciplinary initiative to reduce 30-day readmissions in heart failure: a quality improvement perspective (BMJ Open Quality)
- On the same (evaluation) page: a novel approach to enhance mixed-methods implementation evaluation (BMJ Open Quality)
- Reducing surgical site infections in patients undergoing pancreatic resection: a quality improvement initiative (BMJ Open Quality)
- Do patient safety incident investigations align with systems thinking? An analysis of contributing factors and recommendations (BMJ Quality & Safety)
- Outpatient operational guide: Standardising outpatient clinic templates (Getting It Right First Time (GIRFT))
- How Have Quality Improvement Strategies Been Adopted and How Has Impact Been Assessed in Care Homes for Older People? A Systematic Search and Narrative Review (International Journal of Older People Nursing)
- Impact of Care Delivered in Nondesignated Areas on Older Patients Admitted With Hip Fractures: A Quality Improvement Initiative (Journal of Evaluation in Clinical Practice)
- Improving oral health in Ireland: a dental and public health nurse collaborative quality improvement initiative (Journal of Public Health)
- Podcast: The role of improvement in implementing the shift from analogue to digital (NHS Confederation)
- Q's new home at the NHS Confederation (NHS Confederation)
- Closing investigations: The role of national policy in shaping structural, organisational and relational constraints on learning from patient safety incidents (Safety Science)

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PATIENTS & PEOPLE

- From hospital to community? The good, the bad, and the ugly of the 10-year plan to move care to the community – editorial (British Journal of General Practice)
- How ICSs are supporting the wider economy - four case studies (NHS Confederation)
- Implementing the 10 Year Health Plan: eight things we've learned (NHS Confederation)
- The model region blueprint: what you need to know (NHS Confederation)
- Towards a new co-investment model: what is next for NHS public-private partnerships? (NHS Confederation)
- Transforming the NHS estate to enable a neighbourhood health service (NHS Confederation)
- Jess's Rule: Three strikes and we rethink (NHS England)
- NHS oversight framework – NHS trust performance league tables process and results (NHS England)
- All or nothing? Access and variation in NHS continuing health care (Nuffield Trust)
- From hospital to community: International lessons on moving care closer to home (Nuffield Trust)
- 'Well-led': an evidence review (Think Local Act Personal)

STRATEGY

- Lived experience in Italian mental health services: a national survey of peer support and co-production practices (BMC Health Services Research)
- Beyond the methodological binary: coproduction as the third pillar of mental health science (BMJ Mental Health)
- Adult inpatient survey 2024 (Care Quality Commission)
- Amplifying the Future of Patient Voices and Cross-Disease Networking Through the Advocacy Exchange (Journal of Patient Experience)
- From Frustration to Understanding: The Effectiveness of an Emergency Department Waiting Room Video in Enhancing Patient Satisfaction (Journal of Patient Experience)
- Insights on the Future Priorities of Patient Experience Research as Care Experience Research (Journal of Patient Experience)
- Co-creating an everyday language illustration of learning health systems alongside patient, caregiver, and community partner (Learning Health Systems)
- National Cancer Patient Experience Survey 2024: National Qualitative Report (NHS England)
- Insights from people with lived experience to inform inclusive approaches to health protection (UK Health Security Agency)

EVENTS

- Teamwork, leadership and collaboration: facilitating improvement in South London perinatal services: 14 October 2025 12:30-14:00, Free Q event
- The Use of Evaluation in Improvement: 16 October 2025 9.30, Free NHS IMPACT Masterclass
- NHS IMPACT Lunch & Learn - Learning from North East and North Cumbria: peer review toolkit: 30 October 2025 12:00-13:00, Free MS Teams event
- Leading Successful Partnerships: November 2025: 19 November 2025 12:00-13:00, Free Q event
- THIS Space 2025: 25 November 2025 from 10.00, Free online conference
- In conversation with the National Improvement Board – 27 November 2025 9:30-11:00, Free online

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