

SPSP Medicines contributes to the delivery of safer care across Scotland by reducing harm from medicines

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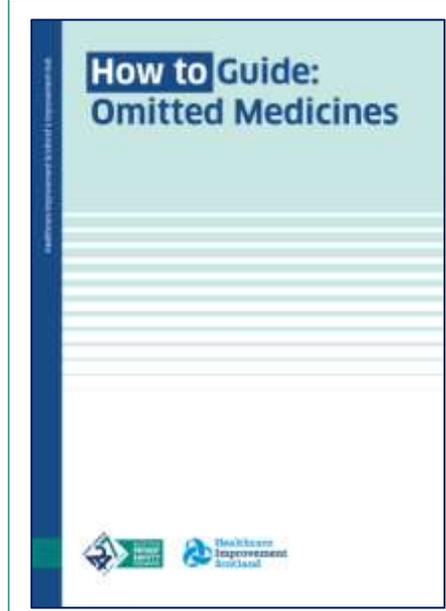
**SPSP Combined Site Visit – NHS Tayside 17<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> January 2017**

**SPSP Combined Site Visit – NHS Highland 26<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> January 2017**



### SPSP National Conference, EICC Edinburgh

The third annual SPSP national conference was held on November 29<sup>th</sup> 2016. The medicines session, attended by delegates from health and social care, focussed on omitted medicines and high risk medicines in the context of prevention, recognition and response to deterioration. [Presentations](#) from the breakout sessions, as well as videos of all of the plenary sessions are available on the [conference page](#) of the SPSP website. We would like to thank the presenters: Ross Cheape - NHS Forth Valley, Dr Yogini Jani - University College Hospitals London, Alister Maclaren, National Clinical Lead (Pharmacy) and Arvind Veiraiah, Clinical Lead (Medical) for their contribution to such an engaging session. Thank you to all of the delegates who attended the conference and played a part in the medicines breakout session.



**Omitted Medicines**

November saw the launch of the [How To Guide: Omitted Medicines](#) on the [SPSP Medicines website](#) along with resources from NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde and NHS Fife. We are keen to build on these resources so if you have any materials such as improvement stories, educational resources, algorithms or data collection tools that you would like to share please get in touch with the SPSP Medicines team via [email](#).

### Medicines Reconciliation Summit 2017



As 2016 draws to a close we want to make sure you have an important date in the diary for 2017 – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March – as SPSP Medicines will be hosting a Medicines Reconciliation Summit in Edinburgh. The event will be an opportunity for healthcare professionals to share efforts to date supporting the testing, implementing and spread of medicines reconciliation across the health care system in Scotland. We will also discuss current challenges with key national leads, to agree a way forward for 2017/18.

Spaces are limited and delegate places will be managed by board SPSP programme managers. We look forward to sharing more information about the event and a draft agenda prior to registration opening on 9<sup>th</sup> January.

### Reducing Medicines Harm Across Transitions

Our monthly WebEx series continues and features NHS Lothian on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December from 3-4pm and NHS Dumfries and Galloway presenting on 19<sup>th</sup> January 2017 from 3-4pm. More information is available [here](#).

**Missed a previous WebEx? Catch up [here](#).**

### Thank You...

The time has come to say goodbye to Linda and Alister as our Nursing and Pharmacy National Clinical Leads. There is not enough space to detail the significant help and support our team has been truly fortunate to have enjoyed from them this year. The medicines team would like to thank Linda and Alister for the numerous things they have done to make our programme a success and to wish them the very best in their new ventures.

**...we will miss you.**

### A national focus on medicines:

Healthcare Improvement Scotland supports the safer use of medicines through a number of initiatives in addition to SPSP including the:

- Area Drugs and Therapeutic Committees Collaborative (ADTCC). Lead Contact: Sharon Pflieger ([click here](#) for more information).
- Safer Use of Medicines Network. For more information contact the Network via [email](#).
- Adverse Events Community of Practice. Lead Contact: Jenny Long ([click here](#) for more information).

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