Spotlight on International Forum on Quality and Safety in Healthcare

The International Forum is one of the world’s largest conferences for healthcare professionals committed to improving patient care and safety. In March 2019, Glasgow was the host and welcomed the biggest audience to date – over 3,400 attendees from 70 countries. MCQIC delivered a half-day session along with ObsCymru (Wales), Brazil and NHS England, looking at designing and managing large-scale improvements. MCQIC presented on the collaboration and co-design in the development of MEWS. The session was well attended with a lot of enthusiasm to Scotland’s approach.

As well as presenting, the MCQIC team had not one but four posters on display. These will be uploaded onto our website for viewing very soon.

The work of SPSP over the past 10 years was profiled by both Nicola Sturgeon, First Minister for Scotland, and Jeane Freeman, Cabinet Secretary for Health and Sport. They both praised MCQIC’s contribution to reducing stillbirths over the past few years.

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The visiting team were keen to learn Scotland’s approach to implementing a national MEWS and welcomed the opportunity to learn from us.

A massive thank you to all at NHS Lanarkshire, especially Maureen McSherry and Lorna Lennox, for taking the time to describe local process for implementation of MEWS at board level and giving us all a tour of the unit.

Some of the MCQIC team had the privilege of speaking to Don Berwick, President Emeritus and Senior Fellow, Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI), about all things improvement. Overall, the forum was a great learning experience for all in attendance, with MCQIC improvements profiled over the three days.

Bem vindo aos nossos amigos do Brazil
(Welcome to our friends from Brazil)

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Professor Kevin Rooney, our Brazilian friends and members of the MCQIC team, with our board hosts NHS Lanarkshire.
MATERNITY NEWS @MaternitySPSP

Stillbirth: We continue to track SPSP submitted data and NRS data to determine any change to the national aggregated rate. Overall, the 22.5% reduction MCQIC has contributed to is maintained. Teachback is the most popular measure to date. Some boards are witnessing a lower induction rate related to reduced fetal movement.

PPH: We have been approached by NHS Wales ObsCymru for a potential collaborative UK-wide bid for a Health Technology Assessment study on PPH care bundles. If the bid is successful, the outcome will include a funded midwife place in the randomised NHS boards/trusts that wish to participate, and the coordination of the study in Scotland is likely to be led by MCQIC.

MEWS: All hospitals have a plan in place for testing with some now at full implementation. NHS Ayrshire are testing in their A&E department.

PAEDIATRIC NEWS @PaediatricSPSP

• Well-engaged Human Factors WebEx on 12 April with guest presenter Mark Johnston, Specialist Lead, NHS Education for Scotland. Mark hosted this session at our learning session in March.
• Our next Paediatric WebEx will be held on 26 September. Details TBC, keep an eye on Twitter for updates.

MCQIC NEWS @mcqicspsp

CleverMed: MCQIC continues its work with Clevermed, provider of the BadgerNet data management system, to develop a data platform for extracting data on MCQIC’s maternity and neonatal measures. Our aim is to align data sets and access, thereby helping to alleviate the data burden on NHS boards’ frontline staff. More information will follow soon. Have you seen our WebEx featuring Clevermed guests answering your questions about the maternity measures on BadgerNet? You can watch it here.

FOR YOU...

• Neurological injury measures are with boards for testing.
• Respiratory measures core focus group is being reinstated following the release of NICE respiratory document.
• A recording of the joint WebEx with maternity care on ‘breast milk in pre term and term babies’ will be available on our website soon.
• Are you working on measures to reduce hypothermia in infants? This practical guide explains thermal protection of the newborn.

NEONATAL NEWS @NeonatalSPSP

QI Awards 2019: more details coming soon. Are you thinking about applying? Go for it!
• Addition of resources to our webpages
• Announcement of new obstetric clinical lead for maternity care
• Date and venue of next learning session
• Future WebEx dates, speakers and topics to be announced

WATCH THIS SPACE...

• Neonatal WebEx, topic TBC - Friday 21 June, 10–11am
• Neonatal Clinical Reference Group meeting – Delta House, Friday 21 June
• Paediatric Clinical Reference Group meeting – Delta House, Thursday 26 September

FOR YOU...

Improvement Fundamentals Online Learning
This free programme of mini-courses takes you through the preparation and delivery of an improvement within your workplace.
QI Connect Book Read: Dare To Lead
This session will focus on Brené Brown’s most recent book, Dare to Lead
Tuesday 28 May, 4-5pm