SPSP Mental Health
Learning System Webinar: Improving Observation Practice – Policy to Practice

Thank you for joining: this event will begin at 13.00
In the meantime, please introduce yourself in the chat.

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Welcome and introduction

Dr Jane Cheeseman
National Clinical Lead
Healthcare Improvement Scotland
During the meeting please have your microphone on mute and video turned off. This will avoid distraction and minimise the likelihood of slowing down the technology.

There will be opportunities for Q&A in the planned session. Please pop all questions in the chat box. Some of this session will be recorded.

If you require any technical support please pop in the chat box or contact his.pspcontact@nhs.scot.
Aims of the session

• Overview of SPSP
• Overview of SPSP MH
• A practical example of how the ‘From Observation to Intervention’ guidance is being implemented
Scottish Patient Safety Programme: Update

Joanne Matthews
Head of Improvement Support and Safety
Healthcare Improvement Scotland
The Programme

SPSP aims to improve the safety and reliability of care and reduce harm.

Core Themes

- Essentials of Safe Care
- SPSP Programme improvement focus: Maternity, Neonatal, Paediatric, Acute Care, Primary Care, Medicines and Mental Health
- SPSP Learning System
The Essentials of Safe Care

Aim

To enable the delivery of Safe Care for every person within every system every time

Primary Drivers

- Person centred systems and behaviours are embedded and support safety for everyone
- Safe communications within and between teams
- Leadership to promote a culture of safety at all levels
- Safe consistent clinical and care processes across health and social care settings

Secondary Drivers

- Structures & processes that enable safe, person centred care
- Inclusion and involvement
- Workforce capacity and capability
- Skills: appropriate language, format and content
- Practice: use of standardised tools for communication
- Critical Situations: management of communication in different situations
- Psychological safety
- Staff wellbeing
- System for learning
- Reliable implementation of Standard Infection Prevention and Control Precautions (SICPS)
- Safe Staffing
The **SPSP Learning System** will be a key element of our work and underpins all our activities. It aims to accelerate sharing of learning and improvement work through a range of engagement and learning opportunities.

**Hosting webinars**

**Sharing data, supporting measurement and Evaluation**

**Producing evidence summaries and case studies**

**Supporting Networks**
SPSP Mental Health: Update

Jonathan O’Reilly
Senior Improvement Advisor
Healthcare Improvement Scotland
Improvement Collaborative

Improvement Collaborative April ‘22 – March ‘23

‘From Observation to Intervention’ guidance into practice

Reduce and improve the use of restraint practices

Reduce and improve the use of seclusion practices

Creating the Conditions for Change
Safety Climate Resource

- Published updated safety climate resource June '22
- Workshop to review in Sept '21
- Consultation Feb '22
- Developed new resources
Learning System

Webinar Series 2022

Improving Observation Practice – Policy to Practice
21 March 2022, 1pm

Safety climate – What is safety climate and why is it important
16 June 2022, 1pm

Webinar 3 – Tbd
September 2022

Case Studies 2022

NHS Lothian: Improving Observation Practice – Policy to Practice

The State Hospital: Using the Essential of Safe Care to understand your system

The State Hospital: Implementing Clinical and Support Services Operating Procedure
Poll

What would you like the topic of our 3\textsuperscript{rd} learning system webinar to be?

a) Essentials of Safe Care: Creating the conditions for safe care
b) Learning from covid: an inpatient perspective
c) Substance use in inpatient mental health

Or share your ideas in the chat. Begin your idea with \textbf{W3}: 

SPSP MH Resources

Improvement resources: https://tinyurl.com/yc5mc9xe

The following section of the webinar will be recorded.

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Improving Observation Practice in NHS Lothian

From Policy to Practice

Jenny Revel
Clinical Academic Mental Health Nurse,
Royal Edinburgh Hospital
Background

- ‘Observation’ is the practice of increasing the ratio and proximity of staff in response to heightened risk in inpatient settings
- Most often for self-harm, violence and aggression, disinhibition
- Practice of observation bound up in culture
- Can be stigmatising, punitive, dehumanising
- Relationship with patient safety not clear
Drivers for Change

- Change attempted in 2002 with CRAG
- Mental Welfare Commission for Scotland reports 2012/13
- Scottish Government attention
- Local SAEs
- Publication of Healthcare Improvement Scotland guidance in 2019
Creating conditions for change

- Setting up steering group
- Senior leadership support
- Becoming multi-disciplinary
- Awareness sessions (ethos, changing language)
- Involvement by patient representative groups
Q. How do you take a national guidance document and translate it into a policy that works on the ground?

- Understand the system
- Reflected on problems
- Tap into context in which decisions around observation are made (high risks, blame, accountability)
- Ask staff, and ask again
Develop aims and change theory

- Encourage person-centredness, creativity, flexibility
- Prevent missed opportunities, surveillance, entrapment, loss of skills
- Develop a policy that permits flexible models and provide organisational permission for thinking differently
- Develop processes that support decision-making in the context of high levels of risk
SOP Document

Competencies
All staff

Clinical Pause
2hr @ trigger or deterioration

Daily Review

Case Discussion
2 weeks

Canned Text
Structured prompts
Auditability

Ethos:
Flexibility
Least restrictive
Multidisciplinary
Intervention focused
Purposeful
Testing and Implementing

- Challenge: small test of change or whole service implementation
- Early discussions about evaluation with stakeholders
- Build in method of evaluation/audit – create sustainability
- Focus efforts on defined processes e.g. Clinical Pause, Case Discussion, Competencies
- Use data to customise training and improve implementation
Spread

- Sharing learning nationally through HIS
- Sharing learning with MH areas outside REAS
- Spreading to non-mental health areas e.g. acute general hospitals
- Developing training modules
REAS Cumulative Nursing Competencies
Completions Sept 2020 - Jan 2022
Royal Edinburgh and St John's Hospitals
Cumulative total number of clinical pauses
21 Sep 2020 -- 30 Jan 2022

Cumulative total number of clinical pauses recorded vs. date

- 291 clinical pauses recorded as of 30 Jan 2022
Average Number of Clinical Pause by Week Day

- Monday: 18
- Tuesday: 21
- Wednesday: 17
- Thursday: 23
- Friday: 19
- Saturday: 14
- Sunday: 20
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REAS Mar – Aug 2021
### Reason for Continuous intervention >14 days by Service Area

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Sustainability...

- Use data to understand system e.g. who, what, where, when, why
- Identify gaps
- Compare data with other data sources e.g. Datix, HEMPA
- Share improvement ideas
- Identify spin-off improvement projects
- Create conditions for change...
Questions?
Next steps

• Resources from today - available soon on our Learning System webpage
• Learning System Webinar 2: Safety Climate – 16\textsuperscript{th} June 2022
Please take the time now to complete our evaluation polls.
Keep in touch

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