

Impact of the Medical & Surgical CORP

NCEPOD

IMPROVEMENT GOALS

1. Use each NCEPOD report recommendation checklist to assess local practice & report the status to the Executive Board
2. Use the QI tools provided for each report to focus on specific areas for improvement
3. Executive Boards need to encourage implementation of NCEPOD recommendations & help share in the learning

NATIONAL

How the project provides evidence of quality and outcomes of care nationally

'Time Matters' (2021), a review of out of hospital cardiac arrests, is a planned focus for a session at the Patient Safety Congress 2022. NCEPOD has teamed up with the Resuscitation Council UK and Dr Jonathan Tobin who was involved in resuscitation of footballers Fabrice Muamba and Charlie Wyke.
<https://patientsafetycongress.co.uk/>

An editorial on 'Time Matters' (2021), was published by the [Faculty of Intensive Care Medicine](#).

Data from past reports have been used to capture examples of [healthcare inequalities](#) – published in a summary report in 2022 – commissioned and promoted by NHSEI.

'A Picture of Health?' (2022), was welcomed by the Royal College of Psychiatrists. It was stated "The report provides advice and recommendations which will support mental health in-patient settings in considering how they meet patients' physical as well as mental health needs. This is crucial if the ambition of parity of esteem is to be achieved, although it will require all relevant organisations from the Government down to maximise the positive impact of this report."

SYSTEM

How the project supports policy development & system management

Recommendations from the 'A Picture of Health?' (2022) report will inform the next cycle of Royal College of Psychiatrist's guidance.

In addition, Professor Tim Kendall, NCD for mental health stated that "...the National Confidential Enquiry into Patient Outcome and Death (NCEPOD) [report](#) underlines the importance of physical healthcare provided to working age and older adult patients admitted to mental health inpatient settings."

The Centre for Perioperative Care, working in partnership with Diabetes UK, has updated guidance for the care of people with diabetes undergoing elective and emergency surgery that encompasses the whole perioperative pathway. It was stated that "The impetus for the collaboration arose from the recommendations of the National Confidential Enquiry into Patient Outcome and Death (NCEPOD) report into the management of patients with diabetes undergoing surgery (**Highs and Lows, 2018**). CPOC was commissioned by the [Academy of Medical Royal Colleges](#) to develop this guidance."

The GIRFT report on Respiratory Medicine, in October 2021, heavily referenced the 2017 NCEPOD report on non-invasive ventilation 'Inspiring Change'.

LOCAL

How the project stimulates quality improvement

Members of the LQICAN network use the NCEPOD recommendation checklists to aid identification of gaps in their service provision. This has been reported at their quarterly meetings, which NCEPOD attends.

'Time Matters' (2021), a review of out of hospital cardiac arrests, was 'clinical message of the week' in September 2022 at the Central and North West London NHS Foundation Trust.

NCEPOD clinical and non-clinical team members present report findings at a hospital meetings.

Following the release of 'A Picture of Health?' a free, [online webinar](#) was held to discuss the key findings of the report and highlight examples of good practice to show how improvements could be made.

Quality Improvement support tools are available following publication and have been widely downloaded. This includes the commissioner guide and recommendation checklist, audit tools and fishbone diagrams.

PUBLIC

How the project is used by the public and the demand for it

Following the release of 'A Picture of Health?' a free, [online webinar](#) was held to discuss the key findings of the report and highlight examples of good practice to show how improvements could be made.

NCEPOD continues to recruit to a panel of lay representatives to support our entire work programme who are involved from the study design period until report publication.

Videos relating to our reports have been put onto our [YouTube](#) channel which has been visited >4500 times.

Patients are involved in the design phase of the study and in online surveys to give their views on the quality of care they have received on a topic by topic basis.

We have an active social media presence on [Twitter](#) @NCEPOD with over 5,000 followers. We have an active social media presence on [Facebook](#) and [LinkedIn](#).

Where relevant for each study, we hold a series of patient and carer focus groups to hear firsthand the views of the patient and carers. This can help to inform our questionnaire design.