



Improvement Academy

Spreading our Early Success in Reducing Falls

We are spreading our early success in reducing falls to frontline teams at Hull Royal Infirmary. Ward 100, a gastroenterology ward which usually has an average of 5 days between falls, has now achieved 26 days and ward 70, a medical elderly ward which usually has just 1 day between falls, has now achieved 13 days. The teams have been testing evidence based interventions such as falls alert signage, appropriate patient footwear, team huddles and using improvement run charts to track their progress. The greatest success is the realisation that falls are not inevitable and teams at all levels are being empowered to take the initiative themselves. Please contact [Liz Watson](#) for further information about our work in Hull.



Enhanced Recovery in Obstetrics



The Improvement Academy has invited clinicians from maternity services around the region to attend a roundtable discussion about enhanced recovery for women having elective caesarean sections. At our event in Leeds on 15th May, the successful introduction of two enhanced recovery programmes in Bradford and Sheffield will be presented. We will be discussing the positive impact this has had in reducing length of stay and improved patient satisfaction. Discussions will be held to understand the activity across the region around enhanced recovery in obstetrics and the opportunity for a regional approach to this work. Further information can be obtained from our Leadership Fellow, [Vicky Brown](#)

Sharing our Regional Work Internationally

Some of our Improvement Academy staff and our regional Improvement Fellows recently presented at [Sweden's Kulturum Clinical Microsystem Festival](#). Presenters included Alison Lovatt, Emma Ryland, Angela Green, Lisa Hilder, Ali Cracknell, Jo Minton, Paul Jarvis, Makani Hemadri and Donald Richardson. Well done to all involved. Yorkshire and Humber Improvement work is spreading wide and making new connections.



Quality Improvement Online Training Platform



The Improvement Academy has been working with healthcare colleagues from across the region to agree the content of its tiered quality improvement training programme. Piloting is about to begin on the first of these - the 'Bronze' foundation knowledge training. This modular e-learning training is based on NHS Wales' highly tested and successful '1000 Lives Plus' Bronze Level training and takes approximately 2 hours to complete. For further information contact [Maureen McGeorge](#)

Next Improvement Fellows Date: 23 June 2015

Our next Improvement Fellows event will be held at the Leeds Met Hotel on Tuesday 23 June from 12.30pm. Professor Martin Marshall, Professor of Healthcare Improvement at UCL and a General Practitioner for over 20 years, is our key speaker. Details will be emailed out to Fellows soon. For further information about the Improvement Fellows please contact [Alison Lovatt](#)



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