

This monthly bulletin is designed to keep you updated on the work of the SPSP Acute Adult Programme and is for circulation within your board

## What's going on?

**VTE Development:** The team is supporting diagnostic work in NHS Borders to understand and overcome the barriers to reliable delivery of risk assessment and thromboprophylaxis. This project will run over the coming financial year and aims to produce a revised approach that will be a resource for all boards. VTE project group is due to meet in May.

**Pressure ulcers in care homes:** The aim is to recruit three locality teams to take part in Reducing Pressure Ulcers in Care Homes improvement programme, which will run initially until December 2017. The call for expressions of interest is now open, the closing date for applications is 12 noon on Monday 25 April 2016 and interviews will take place in Edinburgh on Monday 9 May 2016. More information and details of how to apply are available [here](#).

### HIS updates:

- The new improvement resource for health and social care, called the Improvement Hub (or ihub for short) is now live. To find out more visit the [ihub website](#).
- From 1 April 2016 Healthcare Improvement Scotland's Scrutiny and Assurance Directorate has been renamed the Quality Assurance Directorate.
- Claire Sweeney has been appointed as the Interim Director of Quality Assurance. Claire is currently an Assistant Director at Audit Scotland.

## SPSPS Events

**Sepsis Networking Day:** Fri 20 May, Gyle Square, Edinburgh. The day is for clinical leads and improvement advisors working on sepsis, offering the opportunity to hear new ideas, share challenges and build support networks. Registration is now open and will close on Friday 13 May. Please see [flyer](#) and [agenda](#) for information on the event.

**Pressure Ulcers Networking Event:** Tue 31 May, Cosla Conference Centre, Edinburgh. This full day event will look at how teams within NHS boards are using quality improvement methods to realise the ambition to reduce pressure ulcers by 50% and explore how to improve the risk identification and assessment of pressure ulcers. Registration is now open and will close on Monday 16 May. Please see [flyer](#) for more information.

## WebEx

WebEx sessions by the Acute Adult Team:

- Falls: Tue 3 May
- Cardiac Arrest: Tue 7 June
- CAUTI: Thu 14 July
- Pressure Ulcers: Tue 6 September

Log-in details along with the agenda will be sent 2 weeks before the WebEx.

**Medicines.** To support learning and sharing between boards on reducing medicines harm across transitions, a monthly WebEx series has commenced open to teams across Scotland. Click [here](#) to download the WebEx schedule.

**QI Connect:** *Taking improvement to scale in 2016.* Thu 26 May 2016, 4-5pm. Colleagues will hear from Professor Maxine Power, Director of Innovation and Improvement Science at Salford Royal where she leads the innovation Centre 'Haelo'. To register follow this [link](#).

## External Events

**Reducing Inpatient Falls & Harm from Inpatient Falls:** Wed 18 May, Colmore Gate Conference Centre, Birmingham. This conference focuses on reducing inpatient falls, implementing the recommendations from the 2015 National Audit of Inpatient Falls. 20% discount is available by quoting ref: hcuk20spsp when booking. More details are [here](#).

**AKI and CKD, Evening Medical Update (EMU)** Tue 31 May, Queen Mother Conference Centre, Edinburgh. See [Programme](#) for further details. This free event is open to all grades of medical, health care and scientific staff and to students. To attend, please [book online](#), or [download a registration form](#).

**NHSScotland Event 2016:** Tue 14 to Wed 15 June, Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC), Glasgow. The theme of this year's event is 'Leading Transformational Change for Health and Social Care'. To register for the Event, or for more details about the programme, please click [here](#).

**International Conference of Medicine - Past, Present and Future** Mon 12 to Tue 13 September, Edinburgh International Conference Centre. This conference will combine the historical aspects of medicine with a look into the future for healthcare across a very broad range of clinical topics. For more details follow [this link](#).

**The Science of Improvement 'From Evangelism...to Evidence'** Mon 21 to Tue 22 November, Harrogate International Conference. Save the date for the UK's first National Conference on evidence-based improvement in healthcare. See [website](#) for details.

## Other

**International Forum on Quality & Safety in Healthcare: 12 - 15 April 2016, Gothenburg, Sweden.** Catch up on the International Forum by tuning in to the recordings now available [here](#), just click on 'watch again'. Also, check out the [@HISQIConnect](#) twitter account to access some of the resources mentioned throughout.

**Scotland's National Infection Prevention and Control Manual** is now available [here](#).

