

Healthcare Quality Improvement Partnership

Who are they?

The Healthcare Quality Improvement Partnership (HQIP) was established in 2008 to promote **quality in healthcare**, and **increase the impact that clinical audit has on healthcare quality improvement**. It is an independent organisation led by the Academy of Royal Medical Colleges, The Royal College of Nursing and National Voices.

What do they do?

HQIP aims to improve health outcomes by enabling those who commission, deliver and receive healthcare to **measure and improve our healthcare services**. HQIP works in partnership with patients and healthcare professionals to **influence and improve healthcare practice** at all levels. HQIP **commissions, manages and develops** national programmes of quality improvement on behalf of NHS England and other healthcare departments and organisations, along with guidance and resources for local quality improvement. This includes:

The National Clinical Audit and Clinical Outcome Reviews Programme (NCAPOP):

commissioning, management and development of the **national audit programme**. Stimulating improvement in safety and effectiveness by enabling clinicians, managers and policy makers to **learn from adverse events** and other relevant data.



Clinical Outcomes Publication:

an initiative to **publish quality measures** at the level of individual consultant, team and unit level using national clinical audit data. The data is presented through NHS Choices and MyNHS. **National Clinical Audit Benchmarking:** providing a visual snapshot of individual Trust audit data set against individual national benchmarks.



Clinical Service Accreditation:

Influencing, negotiating and supporting leaders and clinicians to adopt clinical service accreditation methods using tools produced by the **Clinical Service Accreditation Alliance**.



The National Joint Registry:

monitoring the performance of joint replacement implants and the effectiveness of different types of surgery.

Recent work

- Addressing Parity of Esteem in National Clinical Audit – A Guide. <https://www.hqip.org.uk/resources/parity-of-esteem-clinical-audit-guide/>
- National Emergency Laparotomy Report 2017. <https://www.hqip.org.uk/resources/third-patient-nela-report-2017/>
- Guide to HQIP Resources: www.hqip.org.uk/resources/a-guide-to-hqip-resources/
- Effective events for local quality improvement following national clinical audit. <https://www.hqip.org.uk/resources/effective-events-for-local-quality-improvement-following-national-clinical-audit/>
- Launch of the National Clinical Audit Benchmarking portal and on-line platform.
- Guidance on Using clinical audit in commissioning. <https://www.hqip.org.uk/resources/using-clinical-audit-in-commissioning/>
- Clinical Leadership Seminar. <https://www.hqip.org.uk/resources/findings-and-recommendations-from-the-hqip-clinical-leadership-seminar/>