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QUALITY IMPROVEMENT

- Closing the gap in postoperative delirium detection: addressing low screening rates in the surgical recovery room (BMJ Open Quality)
- Enhancing resource utilisation in outpatient clinics: impact of telephone and text reminders on did not attend and short notice cancellation (BMJ Open Quality)
- Impact of integrating Quality Control Circle, Disease-Specific Care Certification and Enhanced Recovery After Surgery on perioperative outcomes in joint replacement (BMJ Open Quality)
- Implementation of a brief intensive education programme in quality improvement (BMJ Open Quality)
- Implementation of a nurse-led visit and follow-up for patients with myeloproliferative neoplasms: a quality improvement project (BMJ Open Quality)
- Improving compliance with curative radiotherapy for cervical cancer in a high-volume centre in India: a bundled workflow (AID-CARE) quality improvement project (BMJ Open Quality)
- Optimising the breast radiotherapy planning pathway: a quality improvement project at a regional cancer centre (BMJ Open Quality)
- Widening of the 'technical/practical' divide: New advances in statistical process control bring new capabilities and new challenges (BMJ Quality & Safety)
- What does NHS England's Quality Strategy mean in practice? - Podcast (The Health Foundation)

STRATEGY

- The Longest Wait to Leave (Age UK)
- Productivity of the English National Health Service (Centre for Health Economics)
- NHS Leadership and Management Framework (NHS England)
- Quality strategy for NHS-funded care in England (NHS England)
- Futureproofing the NHS - The case for transforming corporate services for innovation and productivity - an evidence-based analysis (NHS Shared Business Services)
- Long waits for a hospital bed in an emergency: will urgent care policies make a difference for patients? (Nuffield Trust)
- England's Quality Strategy: How can we use this to accelerate improvement in health and care? (Q Community)
- Equal waiting for elective care? (The Health Foundation)
- Health as an economic asset (The Health Foundation)
- How efficiency varies across NHS acute trusts (The Health Foundation)
- How and why is life expectancy in London different to other English regions? (The King's Fund)
- Neighbourhood health: an international exploration (The King's Fund)
- One year on, is the NHS 10 Year Health Plan being delivered? (The King's Fund)
- ICB mergers: lessons for future success (The NHS Alliance)
- Beyond productivity: AI and NHS workforce implications (UCL Partners)

PATIENTS & PEOPLE

- The people's priorities for our NHS: year one scorecard (38 Degrees)
- How well do we write for patients? Longitudinal analysis of the readability and complexity of 4.6 million ophthalmic clinical letters (BMJ Health & Care Informatics)
- Who complains? A nationwide register-based cross-sectional study of socioeconomic differences in patient complaints and complaint case outcomes in Denmark (BMJ Open)
- Psychological safety and shared decision-making for patient engagement in care quality (BMJ Open Quality)
- Understanding online hospital patient reviews: a nationwide cross-sectional analysis of polarity, actionability and themes (BMJ Open Quality)
- Powering Up: a qualitative evaluation of the art and science of meaningful co-production for health equity (BMJ Paediatrics Open)
- Patient and caregiver priorities for quality improvement on general medical wards: a multicentre group concept mapping study (BMJ Quality & Safety)
- Scoping review of patient and family engagement interventions in diagnosis: a paradox of too much, yet so little (BMJ Quality & Safety)
- Patient and Family Activated Escalation Systems: a systematic review (International Journal for Quality in Health Care)
- Impact of a Physician Communication Development Program on Patient Experience Scores (Journal of Patient Experience)
- The Impact of Nurse Leader Rounding on Patient Satisfaction: A Post-hoc Analysis of Trust, Communication, and Collaboration in Inpatient Care (Journal of Patient Experience)
- Conversations that matter most: improving communication in end of life care (Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman)
- "If the funders said to me that I have to dress in orange, I would dress in orange": findings from qualitative interviews on researchers' experiences of public involvement (Research Involvement and Engagement)

EVENTS

- 3 Sept 2026: North West Ambulance Service (NWAS) QI Academy in action: improving pre-hospital maternity care through the digital maternity decision tool – Online, 13.30-14.20
- 8 Sept 2026: NHS IMPACT: Publishing improvement work – Masterclass, 10.00
- 8 Sept 2026: What does the public think about social care? – Health Foundation, Online, 12.00
- 14-18 Sept 2026: QI Week – Online all week
- 16 Sept 2026: Leading Successful Partnerships – Q, Online, 12.00-13.00
- 23 Sept 2026: Culture of Care programme of QI and leadership in Mental Health – NHS IMPACT, Online, 14.30
- 24 Sept 2026: Re-thinking care: Value-based healthcare for better outcomes – Oxleas NHS FT
- 30 Sept 2026: Relational care management Workshop – Q, Online, 10.00-11.30
- 2 Oct 2026: Quality Improvement South West National Conference – Bath, 13.00-18.00
- 7 Oct 2026: NHS IMPACT: Flanders Quality Model (FlaQuM): Building the invisible engine of quality in healthcare – Masterclass, 11.30

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