



National Mortality Review July 2017

Welcome to the first edition of our RCP National Mortality Review newsletter!

The contract for the National Mortality Case Record Review Programme (NMCRR) was awarded to the Royal College of Physicians (RCP) in 2016 with the aim of establishing and rolling out a standardised methodology and process for retrospective case record review for adult acute care deaths in England and Scotland to improve understanding and learning about problems in care that may have contributed to a patient's death. It was specifically NOT designed to generate data for comparison of trust performance or to contribute to a national measure of the number of deaths due to problems in care. The data generated is for use by trusts to support their own learning and improvement. This approach should be integrated within the trusts wider clinical governance systems.

NHS acute trusts use the Serious Incident Framework to investigate acts and omissions in care that result in unexpected or avoidable death, and that learning and action happens to prevent similar incidents. National reporting also occurs through this mechanism.

The Learning from Deaths Guidance was published by NHS England in March 2017 by the National Quality Board for NHS Trusts and Commissioners in England. Within this guidance the application of a case record/note review to determine whether there were any problems in the care provided to the patient who died in order to learn from what happened, for example Structured Judgement Review delivered by the Royal College of Physicians, is recommended.

In light of the publication of Learning from Deaths the RCP received a request from the contract commissioners (HQIP) to deliver training for SJR more quickly. To support this the NMCRR

programme team will deliver 15 training sessions during August 2017 – January 2018 throughout England.

These sessions follow on from a number already held over the past year and will train Tier One Trainers who will sit regionally as a resource for Trusts to access to train in-hospital reviewers. A list of Tier One Trainers will be made available to Trusts wishing to arrange SJR training.

Attendees will be trained on how to conduct mortality reviews using our Structured Judgement Review methodology and tool, be informed of the background of the programme, how to make explicit judgements, given case studies to test skills, and the chance to ask any questions about the programme.

This session will also train attendees to become Tier One Trainers with the ability to cascade training to colleagues wanting to become reviewers. There will be an expectation that as a Tier One Trainer your contact details will be made available to local Trusts who will contact you to deliver training sessions in your region. You will receive support from the NMCRR core programme team to deliver your training sessions and you will not be expected to deliver training alone.

The number of training sessions that you deliver will be your decision, however we would anticipate 4-6 sessions during 2017 with the requirement for training declining thereafter as Trusts become self-sufficient in their ability to train internally. Two colleagues from each Trust are welcome to attend the NMCRR training.

If you are interested in attending, please email robert.everett@rcplondon.ac.uk or daniel.campos@rcplondon.ac.uk

We look forward to seeing you at the training sessions.



Get to know the team

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My role in the National Mortality Case Record Review Programme is supporting the core programme team in successfully rolling out the Structured Judgement Review methodology across the nation. Whether it be organising a training event up North, or arranging a team meeting in London, I ensure that everything is fully prepared for the day. Consider me your first port of call for any and all queries and updates.

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TRAINING DATES RELEASED

Below are all the confirmed dates for Tier One training:

Exeter	10-Aug-17
Plymouth	15-Aug-17
Bristol	05-Sep-17
Southampton	14-Sep-17
Basingstoke	27-Sep-17
Maidstone	04-Oct-17
Cambridge	10-Oct-17
Birmingham	23-Oct-17
Nottingham	09-Nov-17
Liverpool	15-Nov-17
Sheffield	01-Dec-17
Carlisle	07-Dec-17
Newcastle	17-Jan-17
Middlesborough	25-Jan-17

Contact: robert.everett@rcplondon.ac.uk or daniel.campos@rcplondon.ac.uk to book a place for two clinical colleagues from your Trust.

Training Feedback

“The training was challenging, thought-provoking and stimulating” – Deputy Medical Director

“Insight into real life experience most helpful” – Consultant ICU

“Good interactive sessions and plenty of time to discuss openly some of the contentious issues” – Consultant Physician

“Very pleased with the practical focus on use of tool and how to do training, I can apply what I have learnt straightaway” – Public Health Registrar