



## Expanding our networks

# Improvement Academy

### Welcome to our 124 new Yorkshire Q Fellows!

In June we congratulated our new **Yorkshire Q fellows** who were successful in applying for Q.

We received some fantastic applications and now have a great variety of people, including two lay Improvement Fellows, who all want to improve health and care quality across the UK.

To celebrate and welcome our new members, the Improvement Academy is hosting a Q Welcome event on **Thursday 6 July 2017 in Leeds**. We hope all the new Q fellows can join us for this fun, interactive day which includes an 'open space' facilitation session, information on the impact of research in Yorkshire & Humber and a drinks reception at the end of the day from the Health Foundation. All new Q's have been sent details to register.

If you weren't successful or didn't apply this time, don't worry, as we will be reopening for further applications next year and will keep you all posted!



*A connected community working together to improve health and care quality across the UK*

### Sepsis for Achieving Behaviour Change

On 2<sup>nd</sup> June 48 frontline clinical staff from 6 Yorkshire Trusts came together for an

'**Achieving Behavioural Change**' workshop facilitated by Dr Judith Dyson.

The event focused on understanding the barriers to good **sepsis** care. Discussions were wide ranging and barriers were identified in understanding the importance and meaning of observations, and accurate recording and escalation when patients screen positive.



*Fabulous informative day. Very enjoyable and entertaining as well as inspiring.*

*Really helpful in determining barriers/challenges to implementing change. Ensures a logical approach to determine the root cause to the problem/behaviour.*

This event is just the first stage, and more focused work is planned with Calderdale & Huddersfield and Bradford Trusts on the specific behaviours identified as key issues. This work will be shared through our informal regional Acute Trust Sepsis Network. For more information contact **Mel Johnson**.

### UKIA Safety Huddles Visit—June 2017

The first UKIA members visit hosted by the Improvement Academy took place earlier this month in Leeds when we welcomed visitors from London, Cumbria, Northern Ireland, Glasgow and Sheffield. There was a great deal of interest in our work on **Huddles** which participants observed first hand by visiting huddling wards in our region.

The visit included presentations from Yvette Oade, Chief Medical Officer at Leeds Teaching Hospitals covering work on an organisational level and Carmel Lister from Harrogate District Hospital on the role of a Huddles coach.

**Claire Mevin**, Associate Improvement Advisor at Healthcare Improvement Scotland, gave us some great feedback: *"Very informative visit. Great to view two completely different huddles both with the same focus of identifying patients at risk in order to prevent harm"*.

We plan to host future visits around Huddles work and other Improvement Academy work streams. #WatchThisSpace



### New hosting arrangement for UKIA

The UK Improvement Alliance is a learning and development network bringing together 11 improvement bodies and other like-minded organisations with a passion for improving health and care. We are delighted to announce that, from 1st July, this pan-UK network will be hosted in Yorkshire by the Improvement Academy, with the support of the Yorkshire and Humber AHSN.

## UK IMPROVEMENT ALLIANCE

Through the UKIA we will be consolidating our strong working relationships across the improvement landscape in the UK and learning together through joint visits and events. Visit the UKIA **website** for more information.

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