

Impact of the Child Health CORP



IMPROVEMENT GOALS

1. Use each NCEPOD report recommendation checklist to assess local practice & report the status to the Executive Board
2. Use the QI tools provided for each report to focus on specific areas for improvement
3. Executive Boards need to encourage implementation of NCEPOD recommendations & help share in the learning

NATIONAL

How the project provides evidence of quality and outcomes of care nationally

The paediatric critical care, Getting it Right First Time (GIRFT) report has made numerous references to **'Balancing the Pressures'**, a review of the care provided to children and young people receiving long-term ventilation. This NCEPOD report was released in 2020.

Nine-twelve months following the release of a report, we hold a stakeholder workshop to gauge the impact the recommendations have had, and generate action where needed to help embed the recommendations locally and nationally.

Data from **'Young People's Mental Health'** (2018) and the current Transition into Adult Healthcare, have been used to capture examples of [healthcare inequalities](#) – published in a summary report in 2022 – commissioned and promoted by NHSEI.

SYSTEM

How the project supports policy development & system management

The recommendations from **'On the Right Course?'**, a review of cancer services for children and young people, published in 2018, have informed the service specifications for children's cancer services for [Principal Treatment Centres](#) and [Paediatric Oncology Shared Care Units](#), which have now been published.

One recommendation from **'On the Right Course?'** was that there should be a [national consent form](#) for children and young people undergoing cancer treatment – this has now been developed.

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Guides are produced to encourage commissioner engagement and help them understand how the report recommendations can help commission effective services.

LOCAL

How the project stimulates quality improvement

Quality Improvement support tools were made available at the point of publication and have been widely downloaded. This includes the commissioner guide and recommendation checklist, audit tools and fishbone diagrams.

'Balancing the Pressures' was used as a guidance document by a team at [Cambridge University Hospitals during the pandemic, while providing long-term ventilation](#).

NCEPOD clinical and non-clinical team members present report findings at hospitals, and study specific meetings.

At Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust an audit cycle was completed following the standards outlined in **'Each and Every Need'** (2018). [Short-term interventions were introduced, resulting in improvements in patient documentation as shown via the re-audit that was conducted](#).

PUBLIC

How the project is used by the public and the demand for it

NCEPOD has recruited young patients and youth lay representatives to support the child health work programme. One of our members, Praan Moodley wrote a blog, explaining his role and why he enjoys doing it.

Videos have been put on to [YouTube](#) for **Balancing the Pressures** with >100 views and an interview with Fleur Perry has now been viewed 149 times.

Online surveys and focus groups have been run to engage patients and parents and carers and seek their views on the care received in relation to the Transition from child to adult health services.

NCEPOD has an active social media presence on [Twitter](#) @NCEPOD and [Facebook](#) and [LinkedIn](#). This is used to link with patient groups, such as the NHS Youth Forum, and third sector organisations.

Infographic summaries are produced with each report to aid information sharing.