



Quality Improvement Projects Shortlisted in National Poster Competition

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Six Quality Improvement projects have been chosen to be showcased as part of a poster competition for the [HSJ Patient Safety Congress](#).

Taking place 20 – 21 September in Manchester, the Patient Safety Awards celebrate the teams at the frontline pushing the boundaries of patient safety and driving cultural change to minimise risk, enhance quality of care and ultimately save lives.



As part of the celebrations, the Patient Safety Congress Poster Competition encouraged submissions from teams who have had success with an evidence-based, innovative, quality or safety initiatives. There are ten categories that posters could be submitted to, and if posters are Recognised for Virtual Display, they will be virtually showcased to over 1,000 patient safety experts and advocates at the Patient Safety Congress via the app on the day of the event. Posters recognised for display will also be in with a chance to be announced and celebrated as one of the 10 category winners and possibly as the overall winner.

The following QI project posters were submitted by the Trust and selected for virtual display during the event, meaning they have also been shortlisted to receive awards in their respective categories:

- *“Raising awareness of and engagement with QI and what it has to offer at BSMHFT, understanding and working with the restrictions and procedures in place due to COVID-19”* will be displayed within the “Education and training” category.
- *“Reducing the numbers of PRN Administrations on Japonica Ward at BSMHFT”* will be displayed within the “Effective use of Quality Improvement methods” category.
- *“Reducing waiting time from referral from the Memory Assessment Service to an appointment for consideration of suitability for dementia medication prescribing”* will be displayed within the “Improving processes and outcomes” category.
- *“Increasing expert by experience involvement in Quality Improvement at BSMHFT”* will be displayed within the “The patient voice” category.
- *“Focus on The Future: Learning from Covid 19 Changes”* will be displayed within the “Covid-19 response” category.
- *“Improving access and confidence in learning lessons from serious incidents: a Quality Improvement project aimed at junior doctors”* will be displayed within the “A just culture for learning and change” category.

An expert patient safety panel are currently judging all the recognised for virtual display posters to identify the ten category winners and the category winners will be physically displayed in the Congress Exhibition Hall during the event.



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Julie Romano, Head of Quality Improvement and Clinical Effectiveness, said: “This is a fantastic achievement for the Trust and for the projects that have been selected. This is the first time we have participated in anything like this and it’s a really positive step forward. The HSJ virtual platform is an exciting forum to be in and a great platform for us to share our work and learn from others.

“Congratulations to everyone involved, this is a fantastic achievement in itself but I’ll be keeping my fingers crossed for our projects to win the award within their categories!”



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