

National Wound Care Strategy Programme

Newsletter March 2021

As the first quarter of 2021 comes to an end, we would like to give you an update on the work of the NWCSP:

Recruitment Update: 1st Tranche Implementation Sites

Four [First Tranche Implementation Sites](#) have been appointed and the NWCSP is looking to recruit three more from London, the South West and the East of England. Find out more at: [1st Tranche Implementation Sites \(Part 2\)](#) | [AHSN Network](#)

Wound Management Digital Systems (WMDS)

The development of a functional overview for WMDS continues and we are very grateful to all of those working with us to ensure this work meets the needs of all Stakeholders. Keep checking our website and Twitter feed for more information.

Wound Care E-Learning

Following the launch of the new wound care [e-learning modules](#) in January, work has begun on new online free-to-access education resources. Keep checking our website and Twitter feed for further details.



Wound Product Classification System

Work continues and we are grateful to the wound product suppliers who are contributing their time and expertise to this initiative.

Education and Workforce: Strategic Oversight

A Strategic Oversight Group to inform the strategic direction of the Education and Workforce Group is being established and will begin meeting in April 2021.

The Burden of Wounds

The BMJ Open Burden of Wounds publication is now available [here](#). The NWCSP team are conscious that improving data collection and reporting may reveal further increases in the prevalence of wounds.

Supply and Distribution Workstream

COVID redeployment of many of our key workstream members meant that we had to suspend this work during the pandemic peak but we are delighted to announce that we will be recommencing this work after Easter.

Pressure Ulcer Dashboard

Following suspension of the Safety Thermometer, work is ongoing to create a secondary care pressure ulcer dashboard from national data sets. This will be followed by the development of a similar system for community care.

CQUIN Programme 2021/22

The NWCSP is still awaiting information about the National CQUIN programme for 2021/22 (so it is very unlikely that the CQUIN programme will commence in April 2021).



National Stop the Pressure Programme

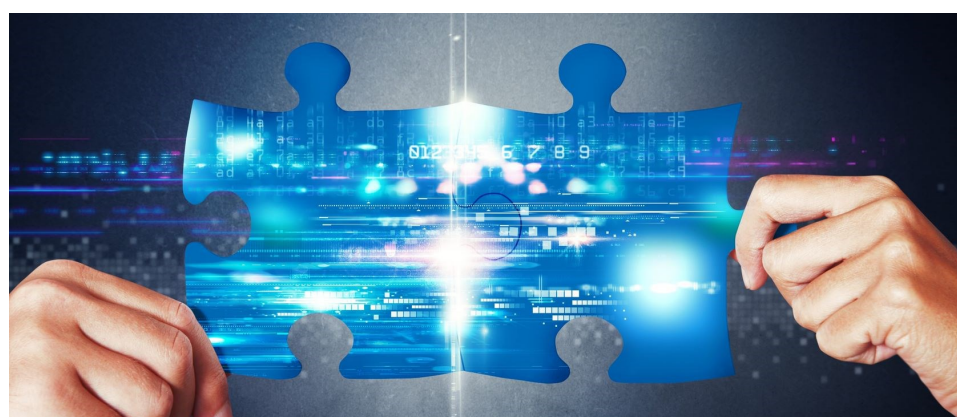
The work of the National Stop the Pressure (NSTPP) programme had to be suspended due to COVID pressures as staff were redeployed into urgent COVID work. However, the paused NSTPP work is now recommencing, including review of the NSTPP Definition and Measurement document.

Reviewing the NWCSP Governance

The programme is now moving from strategy development into implementation, so work has begun to review the governance structure and board membership to ensure this meets our needs.

Future Opportunities

The NWCSP has received additional funding from NHSX and NHS England to address the data and digital technological opportunities for wound care. The NWCSP will be recruiting a Digital and Data Programme Manager to work with the central programme team and providing additional financial support to each First Tranche Implementation Site for focus on this issue.



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