

National Wound Care Strategy Programme Oversight and Transformation Board Meeting

Board Summary Notes

These notes summarise the business of the NWCSP Board which met on 9th September 2022

- A resignation letter had been received from the Deputy Chief Allied Health Professions (AHPs) Officer who sits on the NWCSP Board. She has been thanked for her service and a replacement to represent AHPs will be sought.
- The compression resource for people with venous leg ulcers wounds and the vascular referral forms have now been published on the NWCSP website.
- Following feedback from the PEN PPV group, it has been suggested to the Society of Tissue Viability that they may wish to develop a pressure ulcer equivalent of the Legs Matter campaign.
- The sustainability article published in the Nursing Times has been well received and the NWCSP is planning to publish a related blog post.
- PRSB are undertaking the first set of public workshop consultations relating to the upcoming Information Standard (which will cover pressure ulcers, lower limb and surgical wounds). The NWCSP has begun the process of NHS adoption for the standard.
- A report on the Behaviour Change work is planned for the next Board Meeting.
- A Lower Limb Wounds Options paper is being developed for the National Productivity Board.
- Implementation of the leg ulcer CQUIN has identified several issues relating to the vascular clinical pathway, which are being addressed.
- The new Surgical Wounds and Wound Infection Clinical Lead (Jacky Edwards) is now in post and is reviewing existing relevant national and international clinical guidelines, Cochrane Reviews and NIHR-funded studies.
- Collaborative work for Stop the Pressure Day is ongoing with the Society of Tissue Viability. This year will focus on risk assessment). A four nation Team CNO message is planned.
- A Pressure Ulcer Improvement Oversight group is being formed to co-ordinate the work of the NWCSP, the NHS E Patient Safety Team and the NHS E Nursing Directorate Quality and Safety teams.
- The Patient Safety Incident Report Framework (PSIRF) team and NWCSP have developed a PSIRF case study using pressure ulcers as an exemplar.
- NICE is regularly inviting the NWCSP to give feedback on applications for possible MedTech evaluations.
- The NWCSP First Tranche Implementation Sites (FImpS) are regularly submitting information. Some have mandated completion of the NWCSP online education resources. Lack of interoperability between the wound management digital systems in use and existing electronic clinical data systems (such as System 1) remains an issue.
- The lower Limb Models of Care are being reviewed to reflect the different professions engaging with the leg and foot pathways.
- The independently commissioned FImpS Interim Evaluation Report has been received. The emerging FImps data appears to support the proposed benefits of implementing the lower limb recommendations.
- The NWCSP Transforming Wound Care (TWC) programme is progressing towards the decision point in November when the AHSN Chief Officers will be decide whether to progress to Phase 2. The AHSN is receiving applications to be part of the new TWC programme.
- The NWCSP has now adopted new branding.
- A series of webinars and conference presentations is planned for the autumn.