



Welcome to the SEC Critical Care Newsletter

This is a bi-monthly publication and we would be pleased to receive any articles or information you would like to share with colleagues across the region.

The network quality report for Q1 2015/16 will be circulated soon. There has been some delay to circulation due to double checking of some of the inputted data, particularly rehabilitation data. All units are asked to ensure that their process of capturing rehabilitation data and inputting onto Ward Watcher reflects rehabilitation activity.

In general, the report shows that, whilst some units are performing very well, the challenge of reducing delayed discharge from critical care remains formidable for many. Similarly, early data on rehabilitation assessment and documented pathways shows large variation in performance across the region.

It is important that we attempt to understand the data; to learn from both good performance as well as where improvement is required. The network leads will review all reports as they are published and may contact clinical leads to request a detailed analysis of their unit's data for further learning. Any learning will be shared across the region via clinical forums.

A national non-medical workforce survey will be sent out this month for units to complete during the month of September. There will be a letter from Dr Jane Eddlestone & Prof Julian Bion requesting units to complete the survey along with instructions on what to do accompanying the survey when the information is emailed out. All units in SEC are strongly recommended to complete the survey. A SEC report will be available once the survey has closed.

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Network unit assurance visits have taken place at St Peters; Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells and Queen Victoria Hospitals.

Dates are planned for visits to Brighton and to Frimley Park.

Thank you to everyone involved in organising the meetings. A summary report will be written for each visit.

Can all units still to organise dates please contact **caroline.wilson2@nhs.net** with potential availability.

Thank you to Deb Dykes and Simmone Bristow for agreeing to present on critical care rehabilitation at two national critical care conferences on behalf of SEC CCN.

Thank you as well to the many of you who also offered to do so.

The presentation will focus of the range of rehabilitation services that are being provided in SEC CCN at different stages of the rehabilitation pathway and the challenges of filling in the gaps in service delivery. The contribution of ideas and content is welcome from anyone involved in rehabilitation.

A SEC wide clinical priority for audit meeting is planned for **15 September, at Princess Royal Hospital, Haywards Heath, from 09.00 to 13.00.**

The idea is to agree a programme of audit across SEC that focuses on the priorities identified by critical care staff whilst being mindful of available resources for data collection and evaluation.

Thank you to everyone who has expressed interest.

Please contact **caroline.wilson2@nhs.net** if you would like to attend. Clinical, data and administrative staff are welcome

Dates 2015

Kent Critical Care Forum - 8 September, 17 November (eve)

Surrey Critical Care Forum - 22 September, 3 December

Sussex Critical Care Forum - 27 October

K&M Rehab Group - 17 September

Surrey Rehab Group - 30 September

Sussex Rehab Group - 16 September

For details of these meetings, please contact Sue Overton

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