

Gloucestershire Safety & Quality Improvement Academy Newsletter

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Clinical Audit Edition – Clinical Audit Awareness Week #CAAW takes place between 2nd – 6th June 2025

Clinical Audit is a vital process for understanding how well our services are achieving 'best practice' standards. Regular auditing can be used to provide assurance, but when standards are not being achieved, a QI project may be necessary to bring our results in line with where we want to be. The diagram below illustrates the clinical audit cycle, along with the #GSQIAWay for structured improvement where needed.

Select Topic Re-Audit (agree timescales) Identify Standards of Best Practice Collect/Review Data If Good Analyse Data - Compare Against Compliance Best Practice Achieved If Improvement Required Decisions should be evidence based – measure throughout the change process Causal Factors / Driver Diagrams Shadowing / Focus Groups Scale up and spread Understand the system Plan Do Baseline Data / Process and Emotional Mapping / System of Profound Knowledge

Please contact TeamGSQIA <u>via email</u>, and visit the <u>GSQIA webpage</u> to book training or find out more about the Academy.

For more specific support on Clinical Audit you can contact the Clinical Effectiveness Improvement (CEI) team <u>via email</u>

Take a look at GSQIA's latest recorded training session on 'Introduction to Clinical Audit' – the slideshow can be downloaded from the GSQIA resources page

Are we doing...

The right thing

In the right way

To the right person

At the right time

Every time...?

There are all sorts of Clinical Audit related presentations taking place during #CAAW25.

See the <u>Healthcare Quality Improvement Partnership</u> (HQIP) webpage for the full programme.

Each day has a specific focus (NB - Some sessions require registration in advance).

Monday 2nd - Clinical Audit and Patient Safety Tues 3rd - Patient and Public Involvement Weds 4th - Health Inequalities Thurs 5th - Influencing Change Fri 6th - Efficiencies

