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East Midlands Clinical Audit Support Network



[East Midlands Clinical Audit Support Network \(EMCASnet\) 2017-18 annual update](#)

EMCASnet is a network of people working in clinical audit, effectiveness and improvement roles in the East Midlands, to share learning and develop skills.

Many thanks for supporting EMCASnet during 2017-18, this is a brief update of what has been happening. Presentations are available on the NQICAN forum (registration is open to all, we strongly encourage you to sign up if you haven't already).

Please get in touch if you would like to 'buddy up' for peer support with someone else working in clinical audit/ effectiveness/ improvement in the region. We now have 6 sets of buddies and one person seeking a buddy who has a clinical audit role in an acute hospital.

- **In May 17 we met at Lincolnshire Partnership Trust.** As well as updates from NQICAN, Q Initiative and Clinical Audit Support Centre (CASC), Marina Otley gave a presentation on the East Mids QI Network, Roger Simpson shared his work on costing clinical audit, and we discussed finances and meetings for the year. We had 2 guest speakers - Michael Sykes who presented his research on auditing the care of people with dementia, and Angela Raynor from National Institute for Health Research who talked about local support and opportunities.
- **In September 17 we met at Northampton General Hospital.** Paul Gilliatt gave a presentation on clinical audit policies and strategies, we discussed having a clinical audit competition, Marina Otley presented on DNACPR audits, and we reviewed work by Roger Simpson on information governance and data protection changes. We also had updates from NQICAN, Q Initiative, CASC and Health Education East Midlands (HEEM).
- **In December 17 we met at Chesterfield Royal Hospital.** Our guest speaker was Shahnaz Aziz from East Midlands Academic Health Science Network (EMAHSN) who did a session on involving patients and public in clinical audit. As well as updates from NQICAN, Q Network, CASC and HEEM, we discussed Clinical Audit Awareness Week, competencies, peer support and invited expressions of interest to be the Secretary and NQICAN representative for the network.

- [In March 18 we held an event at Trent Vineyard in Nottingham](#). It was great to see so many people at this. Following the welcome and introduction by Marina Otley we had presentations by Laura Hailes from the EMAHSN on the LifeQI system, Roger Simpson from Derbyshire Community Health Services on information governance, Mirek Skrypak from HQIP, Carl Walker on NQICAN, Andrew Barraclough from Nottingham University Hospitals on measurement for improvement, and CASC on promoting clinical audit. As part of Clinical Audit Awareness Week 2017 organisations were invited to submit a nursing or AHP-led clinical audit, the competition winner (University Hospitals of Leicestershire for their Sepsis Audit) was chosen by a vote at the event.

Total expenditure by the network this year was £1535.01. The network now has its own account held with Cooperative Bank. The majority of our funding comes from Healthcare Quality Improvement Partnership, as the March 18 event also had sponsorship from Audit Management and Tracking (AMaT) we have a balance of £380.40 to carry forward into 2018-19.

EMCASnet is run by the Joint Chairs – Marina Otley from Nottingham CityCare and Paul Gilliatt from Northampton General Hospital (terms up for review November 18). From March 18 Donna Staples from Chesterfield Royal Hospital also represents the network at NQICAN meetings. Our Secretary is Mavis Hawley (retired volunteer), who intends to step down this year.

Our membership is drawn from 27 organisations from around the East Midlands, including acute hospital, community, mental health, ambulance, hospice, fertility, and GP out of hours organisations. If you know someone in a clinical audit, effectiveness or improvement role who is not yet a member please feel free to pass on our email address for them to get in touch (in particular those from local hospices, CCGs and out of hours services).

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Best wishes from Paul Gilliatt and Marina Otley

Our network accounts – 2017/18

Date of income	Source of Income	Income	Expenditure	Payee	Date of invoice	Invoice number	Balance	Notes
			£ 22.84	Chesterfield Royal Hospital	28/04/2017	4537987		Feb17 meeting, balance only paid by HQIP
			£ 47.70	Appetites, Sleaford	13/06/2017	Ref - Mavis Hawley		May17 meeting, paid by HQIP
			£ 195.60	Northampton General Hospital	28/09/2017	232891		Paid by HQIP
23/01/2018	HQIP	£1,409.27					£1,409.27	
			£ 113.27	Chesterfield Royal Hospital	11/01/2018	4542533	£1,296.00	Dec17 meeting, cheque 500001
21/03/2018	AMaT via CASC	£ 240.00					£1,536.00	
			£ 1,155.60	Trent Vineyard Conferencing Ltd	29/03/2018	469	£ 380.40	May18 event, cheque 500002