Wessex SAS Quality Improvement Fellowship 2019/20

Further information
Application Deadline: Monday 28 January 2019

This is an invitation to all Wessex Staff and Associate Specialist (SAS) doctors to apply for a Quality Improvement Fellowship programme. The programme runs over 12 months to support SAS doctors running a quality improvement project in their employing organisation. The programme is free and will be delivered by Healthcare Quality Quest (HQQ).

Programme Overview
You will need to submit an idea for a quality improvement project as a proposal in your application form. This may be a new idea or part of an existing larger project. It needs to be something you can achieve in the time you have available. It is also important that you obtain support from your line manager, SAS tutor, and a Trust executive to support you undertaking the programme. HQQ will review your application and provide feedback on your proposal and apply an ethics approval screening tool prior to the Fellowship launch day.

You will present your work orally and via a poster at the Fellowship’s celebration close event and your poster will be published on the HEE Wessex School of Quality Improvement's web pages.

Contact days
The programme will include the following ‘contact’ days:
• Monday 8 April 2019 - launch day
• Monday 13 May and Wednesday 4 September 2019 - two further education contact days providing teaching and workshops style learning. A practical reference booklet for the education days learning, a learning diary and certificate of attendance will be provided.
• Tuesday 3 December 2019 - a further half day to help Fellows capture their work via poster and oral presentation
• Thursday 6 February 2020 - a celebration close event with presentations by Fellows on their quality improvement work and Fellowship experience
• All contact days will be held at Health Education England (Wessex) offices at Southern House, Otterbourne, SO21 2RU.

As part of the Fellowship you will be given:
• Quality Improvement Methods for Healthcare Manual and contact day slides on a memory stick
• Guidance on presenting and writing up your quality improvement project
• Support by the education provider meeting with you in your Trust
• Access to other opportunities offered by the HEE Wessex School of Quality Improvement

What do you have to do now?
Come up with a good idea from your experience, either in improving patient safety, experience or efficiency. You will need to work with your team and other stakeholders as part of the project, so you will need support from the quality improvement team/leads in your Trust - this is vital. The size of the project must be manageable for you in your CPD time. This may take the place of audit for you in this year and be used for revalidation.

We also ask that you make arrangements to be able to commit to the education contact days prior to starting on the Fellowship programme.

Submit your completed application form (including all necessary signatures) to qualityimprovement.WX@hee.nhs.uk by Monday 28 January 2019.

Have any queries?
Please speak to your SAS Tutor or contact Dr Ruby Parmar, HEE Wessex SAS Programme Director - ruby.parmar@hhft.nhs.uk

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Education ‘contact days’ – more details

Monday 8 April 2019 – Day 1, Launch Day
- what’s involved in carrying out a quality improvement project
- clarifying the subject and objective of the project
- identifying and involving key stakeholders in the project
- testing commitment of all those involved to the project
- anticipating the measurement methods that will be useful to establish a baseline of the effects of current practice before introducing any change and enabling comparison following change to demonstrate that improvement has been achieved.

At the end of Day 1, Fellows will select the methods they most want to learn about in Day 2.

Monday 13 May 2019 - Day 2
‘How to’ guidance on how to carry out the measurement methods selected by the fellows on Day 1, giving fellows opportunities to plan how they will apply the methods to their projects.

Wednesday 4 September 2019 - Day 3
‘How to’ guidance on tools to analyse the findings of measurement of the effects of current practice on patients, to plan and manage change to achieve improvement in the quality of patient care, and how to prepare to present and write about the quality improvement project.

Tuesday 3 December 2019 - Day 4 (Half day)
An opportunity to explore how to prepare for an oral and poster presentation capturing your quality improvement learning as well as your Fellowship experience.

Thursday 6 February 2020 – Celebration Close Event
To complete the Fellowship programme, all Fellows will be required to present their work and learning via an oral and poster presentation.

More details on all contact days will be provided in advance to Fellows.