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Safety, Quality and Standards Circular List

Number	Title of Circular	Author	Date Issued
2007			
HSS (SQSD) 08/07	National Confidential Inquiry: 5 year report into suicide and homicide by people with Mental Illness (NICISH)	Dr M Briscoe	15 th January 2007
HSS (SQSD) 09/07	Safety First: A Framework for Sustainable Improvement in the HPSS	Dr M Briscoe	29 th January 2007
HSS (SQSD) 10/07	Warning to Travellers who change their Travel Plans	Dr M Briscoe	20 th February 2007
HSS (SQSD) 18/07	Conducting Patient Service Reviews/Look-back Exercise	Dr M Briscoe	08 March 2007
HSS (SQSQ) 19/07	Reporting and follow-up on serious adverse incidents; and Reporting on breaches of patients waiting in excess of 12 hours in emergency care department	Dr M Briscoe	31 March 2007
HSC (SQSD) 20/07	NPSA Patient Safety Alert 22: Reducing the Risk of Hyponatraemia when Administering Intravenous Infusions to Children	Dr M Mc Bride Dr N Morrow Martin Bradley	27 April 2007
HSC (SQSD) 21/07	National Patient Safety Agency: Slips, Trips and Falls in Hospital (PSO3)	Dr M Briscoe	16 May 2007
HSC (SQSD) 22/07	National Patient Safety Agency: Safer Practice Notice 17: Using Bedrails Safely and Effectively	Dr M Briscoe Liz Qua	16 May 2007
HSC (SQSD) 28/07	NPSA Safe Medication Alerts	Dr N Morrow Dr M Briscoe	04 June 2007
HSC (SQSD) 29/07	Guidance on Strengthening Personal and Public Involvement in Health and Social Care	Dr M Briscoe	12 th September 2007
HSC (SQSD) 30/07	Safer Practice Notice – "Right Patient – Right Blood"	Dr M Briscoe	13 June 2007
HSC (SQSD) 31/07	Guidance on Complaints in Residential and Nursing Homes	Dr M Briscoe	22 June 2007
HSC (SQSD) 32/07	NPSA: Safer Practice Notice 16: Early identification of failure to act on radiological imaging reports	Dr M Briscoe	16 July 2007
HSC (SQSD) 33/07	Wristbands – Void Now issued under HSC (SQSD) 16/08		
HSC (SQSD) 20/07 Addendum	NPSA Patient Safety Alert 22: Reducing the Risk of Hyponatraemia when Administering Intravenous Infusions to Children. Regional Clinical Guidelines <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wallchart 	Dr M Mc Bride Dr N Morrow Martin Bradley	19 th October 2007
HSC (SQSD) 34/07	HSC Regional Template And Guidance For Incident Review Reports	Dr M Briscoe	12 September 2007

HSC (SQSD) 35/07	Regional Audit of Consent Practices in the Examination, Treatment or Care of Patients	Dr M Briscoe	14 th December 2007
2008			
HSC (SQSD) 01/08	Fire Hazard with Paraffin Based Skin Products on Dressing and Clothing	Dr M Briscoe	25 th January 2008
HSC (SQSD) 05/08	Generic Medical Record-Keeping Standards	Dr M Briscoe	31 st January 2008
HSC (SQSD) 06/08	National Patient Safety Agency: Safer care for the acutely ill patients: Learning from serious incidents (PSO5) and Recognising and responding appropriately to early signs of deterioration in hospitalised patients	Dr M Briscoe	05 February 2008
HSC (SQSD) 07/08	Policy for the safe use of oral methotrexate in secondary care	Dr M Briscoe Dr N Morrow	05 February 2008
HSC (SQSD) 16/08	National Patient Safety Agency: Safer Practice Notice 24: Standardising wristbands improves patient safety	Dr M Briscoe	6 th February 2008
HSC (SQSD) 20/08	Recognising and Managing A Severe Allergy (i.e. Anaphylaxis) in Children and Young People: Providing Information, Advice and Follow-up Services to Patients, Family and Friends	Dr M Briscoe	
HSC (SQSD) 27/08	National Patient Safety Agency: Safety in Doses; Medication Safety Incidents in the NHS (PSO/04)	Dr M Briscoe Dr N Morrow	10 April 2008
HSC (SQSD) 28/07 Addendum 1/08	NPSA Safe Medication Alerts – Safer Practice with Epidural Injections and Infusions	Dr M Briscoe Dr N Morrow	14 April 2008
HSC (SQSD) 28/08	National Patient Safety Agency: Rapid Response Report 3: Emergency Support in Surgical Units: Dealing with Haemorrhage	Dr M Briscoe	7 May 2008
HSC (SQSD) 35/08	National Patient Safety Agency: Risk of incorrect dosing of oral anticancer medicines	Dr M Briscoe Dr N Morrow	23 June 2008
HSC (SQSD)30/07 Addendum 02/08	Right Patient Right Blood	Dr JF Livingstone	7 July 2008
HSC (SQSD) 39/08	Complaints in HSC: Standards and Guidelines for resolution & learning – cover letter	Dr Livingstone	10 July 08
HSC (SQSD) 40/08	Self Harming Behaviour And Interface With Maternity Services – Learning Lessons	Dr Livingstone Martin Bradley	29 July 2008
NPSA-2008-RRR006U	Problems with infusions and sampling from arterial lines	Issued Via SABS	8 August 2008
HSC(SQSD)28/07 Addendum 02/08	Safer Practice with Epidural Injections and Infusions	Dr Livingstone	12 August 2008
HSC (SQSD) 43/08	Risk with intravenous Heparin Flush Solutions	Dr Livingstone	6 th November 2008

HSC (SQSD) 44/08 Issued via SABS	Risk of Chest Drain insertions	Dr Livingstone	1 October 2008
HSC (SQSD) 45/08	Reducing dosing errors with Opioid Medicines	Dr Livingstone	6 th November 2008
NPSA/2008/RRR007	Risks To Haemodialysis Patients From Water Supply (Hydrogen Peroxide)	Issued via SABS	6 October 2008
HSC (SQSD) 48/08	Anticoagulant therapy	Dr Livingstone/Dr Morrow	17/10/08
HSC (SQSD) 49/08	Injectible medicines	Dr Livingstone/Dr Morrow	17/10/08
HSC (SQSD) 50/08	Liquid medicines via oral & enteral routes	Dr Livingstone/Dr Morrow	17/10/08
HSC (SQSD) 51/08	National Confidential Inquiry into Suicide and Homicide by People with Mental Illness: Lessons for Mental Health Care in Scotland.	Dr Livingstone	24/10/2008
HSC (SQSD) 52/08	Ventilator associated pneumonia	Dr Livingstone	
NPSA/2008/RRR009	Avoiding Wrong Side Burr Holes / Craniotomy	Issued via SABS	19/11/08
HSC (SQSD) 61/08 Issued via Sabs	National Patient Safety Agency: Rapid Response Report 4: Using Vinca Alkaloid Minibags (Adult/Adolescent Units) HSC 2008/001 Updated national guidance on the safe administration of intrathecal chemotherapy	Dr Livingstone	25/11/08
Letter relates to circular HSC (SQSD) 32/07: NPSA: Safer Practice Notice 16: Early identification of failure to act on radiological imaging reports	Letter issued from recommending Royal College of Radiologists publication: <i>Standards for the communications of critical, urgent and unexpected significant radiological findings</i>	CMO	26/11/08
NPSA/2008/RRR010	Resuscitation In Mental Health And Learning Disability Settings	Issued via SABS	12/12/08
NPSA/2008/RRR011	Reducing risk of Midazolam overdose	Issued via SABS	31/12/08
2009			
SQSD Learning Communication 01/09	Patients with Mental Health Needs in the Acute Sector – Learning Lessons	Dr M McBride Mr M Bradley	20/01/2009
SQSD Learning Communication 02/09	Reducing Harm Caused by Misplacement of Nasogastric Feeding Tubes	Dr J Livingstone	30/02/09
SQSD Learning Communication 03/09	Cardiac Tamponade and the Use of Dilators	Dr J Livingstone	09/02/09
SQSD Learning Communication 04/09	1.Acute Anaphylatic Reaction to Intravenous Antibiotics 2.Emergency Caesarean after Cardiac Arrest in Labour	Dr J Livingstone	20/02/2009
SQSD Learning Communication 05/09	Risk to patient safety of not using the H + C Number as the regional identifier for all patients and clients	Dr Livingstone	30/03/2009

HSC (SQSD) 22/09	Learning from Adverse Incidents and Near Misses reported by HSC organisations and Family Practitioner Services	Dr Livingstone	30/03/2009
HSC (SQSD) 23/09	Guidance on Complaints Handling in Regulated Establishments and Agencies	Dr Livingstone	
SQSD Learning Communication 06/09	Reducing the risk of retained throat packs after surgery	Andrew Browne, on behalf of Dr Livingstone	22/05/2009
HSC (SQSD) 27/09	Regional Kardex templates	Dr Livingstone & Dr Morrow	5 June 2009
HSC (SQSD) 28/09	Preventing delay to follow up for patients with glaucoma	Dr Livingstone	07 July 2009
HSC (SQSD) 54/09	Osteonecrosis associated with Bisphosphonate usage	Dr Livingstone	23 July 2009
SQSD Learning Communication 07/09	Reducing the risks associated with the management of a patient with a tracheostomy	Dr M McBride Martin Bradley	23/07/2009
SQSD Learning Communication 08/09	Preventing harm to children from parents with mental health needs	Now HSC (SQSD) 2/10	23/03/10
HSC (SQSD) 55/09	Minimising Risks Of Suprapubic Catheter Insertion (Adults Only)	Dr Livingstone	13/08/09
HSC (SQSD) 28/07 Addendum 3	Safer practice with epidural injections and infusions	Dr Livingstone/Dr Morrow	13/08/09
SQSD Learning Communication 09/09	Cardiac Tamponade and the use of dilators – Superseeds Learning Communication 03/09 and Addendum 1	Dr Livingstone	20/08/09
HSC (SQSD) 63/09	Oxygen safety in hospitals	Dr Livingstone	12/01/10
HSC (SQSD) 84/09	Safer Lithium Therapy	Dr Livingstone	07/01/10
HSC (SQSD) 85/09	Safer spinal, epidural and regional devices	Dr Livingstone	14/01/10
HSC (SQSD) 86/09	Reducing risks of tourniquets left on after finger and toe surgery	Dr Livingstone	19/01/10

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HSC (SQSD) 1/10	Vaccine Cold Storage	Dr Livingstone	01/03/10
HSC (SQSD) 2/10	Preventing harm to children from parents with mental health needs	Dr Livingstone, Dr Briscoe, Sean Holland	23/03/10
HSC (SQSD) 3/10	Reducing harm from omitted and delayed medicines in hospital	Dr Livingstone	31/03/10
HSC (SQSD) 4/10	Safer Use of Intravenous Gentamicin for Neonates	Dr Livingstone	31/03/10
HSC (SQSD) 5/10	Clinical negligence guidance	Sean Scullion	10/03/10
HSC (SQSD) 6/10	Early detection of complications after gastrostomy	Dr J Livingstone	04/06/10
HSC (SQSD) 7/10	Checking for pregnancy before surgery	Dr J Livingstone	04/06/10
HSC (SQSD) 8/10	Phase 2 - Learning from Adverse	Dr J Livingstone	30/04/2010

	Incidents and Near Misses reported by HSC organisations and Family Practitioner Services		
HSC (SQSD) 9/10	Reducing the risk of retained swabs after vaginal birth and perineal suturing	Dr J Livingstone	10/06/10
HSC (SQSD) 10/10	Establishment of an Early Alert System	Dr J Livingstone	
HSC (SQSD) 12/10	Safer administration of insulin	Dr J Livingstone	14/07/10
NCEPOD Letter	A mixed Bag report (DH1/10/123822)	Dr J Livingstone	03/08/10
HSC (SQSD) 13/10	Reducing Treatment Dose Errors With Low Molecular Weight Heparins	Dr J Livingstone	20/08/10
HSC (SQSD) 14/10	Prevention of over infusion of intravenous fluid* and medicines in neonates	Dr J Livingstone	13/9/10
HSC (SQSD) 15/10	Laparoscopic surgery: Failure to recognise post-operative deterioration	Dr J Livingstone	26/10/10
HSC (SQSD) 16/10	The transfusion of blood and blood components in an emergency	Dr J Livingstone	18/11/10
SQSD Learning Communication 01/10	Managing Diabetic Ketoacidosis	Dr McBride	23/11/10
NCEPOD Letter	An Age old problem (DH1/10/195389)	Dr J Livingstone	10/12/10
HSC (SQSD) 17/10	Preventing fatalities from medication loading doses	Dr Livingstone	22/12/10
HSC (SQSD) 18/10	Safer Ambulatory Syringe Drivers	Dr Livingstone	21/01/11
2011			
HSC (SQSD) 1/11	Essential Care After An Inpatient Fall	Dr Livingstone	31/1/11
CEMACH letter	Perinatal Mortality 2008 (DH1/11/25404)	Dr J Livingstone	07/02/11
SQSD Learning Communication 01/11	Overdosing on medication	Dr J Livingstone	14/02/11
HSC (SQSD) 85/09 Addendum 01	Safer spinal, epidural and regional devices	Dr J Livingstone	15/03/11
HSC (SQSD) 2/11	Reducing the harm caused by misplaced nasogastric feeding tubes in adults children and infants	Dr J Livingstone	07/04/11
HSC (SQSD) 3/11	The adult patient's passport to safer use of insulin.	Dr J Livingstone	20/04/11
SQSD Learning Communication 02/11	Medication brought into hospitals by patients	Dr J Livingstone	9/9/11
HSC (SQSD) 4/11	NICE Technology Appraisals and Clinical Guidelines – New Process for Endorsement, Implementation, Monitoring and Assurance in Northern Ireland	Dr M McBride	
HSC (SQSD) 5/11	Keeping newborn babies with a family history of MCADD safe in the first hours and days of life	Dr J Livingstone	11/11/11

HSC (SQSD) 6/11	Minimising risks of mismatching spinal, epidural and regional devices with incompatible connectors	Dr J Livingstone	13/12/11
2012			
HSC (SQSD) 1/12	Personal & Public Involvement regional protocol for consultations schemes	Dr J Livingstone	25/01/12
HSC (SQSD) 2/12	Harm from flushing of nasogastric tubes before confirmation of placement	Dr J Livingstone	04/04/12
HSC (SQSD) 3/12	Guidance for HSC organisations on arrangements for implementing effective Personal and Public Involvement policy in the HSC	Dr J Livingstone	20/09/2012