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**From:** Campbell, Karen (DHSSPS)  
**Sent:** 31 January 2013 15:24  
**To:** Adair, Jonathan  
**Cc:** Lamont, Jennifer; Perkins, Roisin (DHSSPS)  
**Subject:** FW: Draft Report RQIA review of hyponatraemia-related NPSA alert

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**From:** Porter, Nicola  
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**To:** Campbell, Karen (DHSSPS)  
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**Sent:** 03 June 2010 07:46  
**To:** Campbell, Karen; Lamont, Jennifer; 'David Stewart'; 'Tom Trinick'; 'robin davidson'  
**Cc:** Russell, George; Browne, Andrew; Finlay, Tricia; Hamilton, Susan  
**Subject:** RE: Draft Report RQIA review of hyponatraemia-related NPSA alert

Folks

Update is that Data have been entered on 1115 cases, pivotal tables have been completed and hopefully the presentation and draft report will be ready for the regional group quite soon. The Audit lead on this has been off ill for some time but is due to return next week and will be helping to finalise this project.

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Jonathan

I am sending you 4 e-mails from Nicola to add to the papers you are working on for the Inquiry.

Thanks

Karen

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**From:** Campbell, Karen  
**Sent:** 02 June 2010 16:41  
**To:** Lamont, Jennifer; 'David Stewart'; 'Tom Trinick'; 'robin davidson'; Porter, Nicola  
**Cc:** Russell, George; Browne, Andrew; Finlay, Tricia; Hamilton, Susan  
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Thanks to all for inputs.

Andrew has discussed the issue with Dr David Stewart and 4 of the 5 Trusts took part in the audit. SE Trust were going to do a Trust audit. Does anyone know why they did not want to be part of the regional audit?

I think that this would still be worth discussing on Tuesday. It also reminds me of the value of having progress lists presented at each GAIN meeting.

Karen

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**From:** Lamont, Jennifer  
**Sent:** 02 June 2010 14:19  
**To:** Campbell, Karen  
**Cc:** Russell, George; Browne, Andrew; Finlay, Tricia; Hamilton, Susan  
**Subject:** RE: Draft Report RQIA review of hyponatraemia-related NPSA alert

Further to this and a brief conversation with Andrew, I have found a 2008/09 GAIN workplan which makes reference to an audit on IV Fluid Use in Hospitalised Children, led by Mike Smith in the Southern Trust, due for completion September 2009.

However, I don't know if this is the same as the request for a tool specific to hyponatraemia. If so, it may help GAIN in their search.

Jennifer

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**From:** Campbell, Karen  
**Sent:** 02 June 2010 14:08  
**To:** Campbell, Karen; 'Tom Trinick'; 'robin davidson'; 'David Stewart'; Porter, Nicola  
**Cc:** Russell, George; Lamont, Jennifer; Browne, Andrew; Finlay, Tricia; Hamilton, Susan  
**Subject:** RE: Draft Report RQIA review of hyponatraemia-related NPSA alert

Dear all

Susan has let me know that there is a relevant container (see attached e-mail). Has the audit actually been completed?

Karen

<< Message: Audit on the IV Fluid use in Hospitalised Children >>

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**From:** Campbell, Karen  
**Sent:** 02 June 2010 14:01  
**To:** Tom Trinick; 'robin davidson'; David Stewart; Porter, Nicola  
**Cc:** Russell, George; Lamont, Jennifer; Browne, Andrew; Finlay, Tricia  
**Subject:** FW: Draft Report RQIA review of hyponatraemia-related NPSA alert

Dear all  
Please see attached information about the audit tool for children. I think there may have been some confusion with Ian Young's work on those aged 16+.

The audit tool at the back of the NPSA guidance would have to have been adjusted for use in NI and then an audit run. Susan is checking for me to see if in fact an audit had been done.

If the audit tool has not yet been adapted for use in NI then we need to discuss the best way to do this and to complete an audit, at the Operational committee meeting next Tuesday.

I am out of the office until next Tuesday but George could gather together any preliminary thoughts anyone has on this.  
Karen

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**From:** Browne, Andrew  
**Sent:** 01 June 2010 16:59  
**To:** Campbell, Karen  
Finlay, Tricia  
**Subject:** FW: Draft Report RQIA review of hyponatraemia-related NPSA alert

Karen  
We have now managed to locate more information. The recommendation from the 2008 RQIA report was recommendation 15, which stated

"The development of an audit tool which may include wider aspects but should address as a minimum aspects of NPSA Alert 22 should continue to be progressed and used at least annually."

As you can see from Carolyn Harper's minute below [point 1(d)(ii)], she envisaged that this would be done by GAIN. It appears from Jennifer Mooney's email attached that she met with Nicola Porter on 2 September 2008 and Nicola followed up by saying that she would mention the audit tool to the working group. I do not know what happened after that, but perhaps David Stewart will know.  
Andrew

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**From:** Finlay, Tricia  
**Sent:** 01 June 2010 16:28  
**To:** Browne, Andrew  
**Subject:** FW: Draft Report RQIA review of hyponatraemia-related NPSA alert

Andrew

I was able to locate Carolyn Harper's original e-mail in TRIM. I have also attached another e-mail which show the meeting with Nicola took place on 2 September 2008.

Tricia

<< Message: FW: URGENT General Mail Correspondence. Reference Number: SECGM/716/2008 : RQIA - Independent Review conducted into the application in NI of NPSA Patient Safety Alert 22 >>

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**From:** Browne, Andrew  
**Sent:** 20 August 2008 16:35  
**To:** Mooney, Jennifer  
**Cc:** Livingstone, Jim; Lawson, Elaine

Subject: FW: Draft Report RQIA review of hyponatraemia-related NPSA alert

Jennifer  
I mentioned this earlier. It represents quite a lot of work for SQS, but in the first instance we should concentrate on points 1(a) and (d). Perhaps your earlier email covered (a). If not we should ensure that all the relevant people are asked for a response by the end of August. On (d) could you arrange a short meeting with Karen and Nicola for next week (Wednesday on)? We can discuss further action on my return next week.  
Andrew

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**From:** Harper, Carolyn  
**Sent:** 20 August 2008 10:27  
**To:** Galloway, David; Livingston, Heather; Browne, Andrew; McLernon, Angela; Timoney, Mark  
**Cc:** McBride, Michael; McCarthy, Miriam; Bradley, Martin; Morrow, Norman; Livingstone, Jim  
**Subject:** Draft Report RQIA review of hyponatraemia-related NPSA alert

At our meeting yesterday we agreed the following approach to this report.

1. SQS will
  - a) coordinate a response to RQIA re any factual inaccuracies in the report;
  - b) discuss and agree handling with RQIA, specifically who should release the report - our view was that it should be DHSSPS as we commissioned the report;
  - c) discuss with RQIA our proposal to commission them to repeat the review in April 2009 to assess the extent to which Trusts have addressed the report recommendations;
  - d) discuss & finalise with GAIN
    - i) that under their auspices, a group will develop new guidelines for prevention & management of hyponatraemia in the 16+ age group, to be completed by late Nov/early Dec 2008;
    - ii) that the GAIN audit on adherence to hyponatraemia guidelines should take account of the NPSA audit tool that accompanied the NPSA alert, and should be done with a view to creating a regional audit tool that Trusts could use to audit their own practice into the future and at least annually as recommended in the RQIA report
    - iii) their view on 2d below and whether or not it's appropriate action in light of concerns raised by some staff re potential confusion.
2. When the final report is available (likely late Sep 2008), DHSSPS will issue it, probably through CMO, CNO, CPO in keeping with the original letter on the alert, though happy to take views on that. The covering letter will be drafted by SQS and will include
  - a) a requirement on Trusts to implement the recommendations - many are ongoing actions, but where we can we should specify a timescale for implementation;
  - b) notice that RQIA will reassess the extent to which the recommendations have been implemented from April 2009;
  - c) notice that GAIN are developing new guidelines for 16+ year olds & when these will be available;
  - d) direction that until the new 16+ guidelines are available, Trusts should use the 2007 guidelines for 1month-16 years and the 2003 guidelines for 16+ years;
  - e) notice of the GAIN audit and that following the audit, a regional audit tool will be available for Trusts to use in the future;
  - f) notice of the project to redesign the SAI system and the timescale for that project - need to aim to have definitive proposals around early Dec 2008.
3. SQS will bring the final report to the Safety Forum for discussion re any role they may have in facilitating Trusts to implement the recommendations. It is for the Safety Forum to decide their role, taking account of other demands for their services in the existing 08/09 work programme and their capacity at the time.
4. Mark Timoney will liaise with the relevant Trust pharmacy heads/groups to specifically ask them to follow up on recommendations 6 & 8 re multidisciplinary education/training on safe administration of IV infusions and a competency assessment tool.

Thank you for your input yesterday and happy to take further comments if you have any

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