



# Creating the Conditions for Safe Care

SPSP National Learning Event  
27<sup>th</sup> September 2022

# Welcome

## **Professor Sir Gregor Smith**

Chief Medical Officer,  
Scottish Government



# Welcome virtual audience

- MS Teams Audience
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- Recording & photography



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- Organising team – yellow lanyard
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- During the meeting please set mobiles to silent
- Morning session recording & photography



# Aims of the day

- Explore the organisational and system wide conditions that enable the safe delivery of care amidst increasing system pressures.
- Learn how the SPSP Essentials of Safe Care are supporting improvements in safety.
- Provide a forum for leaders and teams working across all aspects of SPSP to come together to share and learn.

# Virtual delegate bag



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# Agenda – morning

Time	Topic	Lead
10.00	Chair's welcome	Professor Sir Gregor Smith, Chief Medical Officer for Scotland, Scottish Government
10:10	Ministerial Address	Maree Todd, Member of the Scottish Parliament & Minister for Public Health, Women's Health and Sport
10:25	Scottish Patient Safety Programme Update	Joanne Matthews, Head of Improvement Support & Safety, Healthcare Improvement Scotland
10:35	Creating the Conditions for Safe Care	Professor Mary Dixon-Woods, Health Foundation Professor of Healthcare Improvement Studies & Director of THIS Institute at University of Cambridge
11:25	Plenary Questions & Answers	Professor Mary Dixon-Woods & chaired by Professor Sir Gregor Smith
11:35	A System View	Robbie Pearson, Chief Executive, Healthcare Improvement Scotland
11:50	Chair's Summary	Professor Sir Gregor Smith, Chief Medical Officer for Scotland, Scottish Government
12:00	Lunch and Networking	



# Agenda – afternoon

Time	Topic	
13:00	First Breakout Session	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Person-centred approaches to safe care (Cap &amp; Thistle)</li><li>2. Safe Communication, Safe Care (Moncrieff)</li><li>3. Leadership to Promote a Culture of Safety (President's 1)</li><li>4. Clinical &amp; Care Processes: Improving Patient Safety in a Complex System (Thistle 2)</li></ol>	
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15:45	Transition to Main Room	
15:50	Closing remarks	Joanne Matthews, Head of Improvement Support & Safety, Healthcare Improvement Scotland
16:00	Close	

# Ministerial Address



**Maree Todd, MSP**

Member of the Scottish Parliament &  
Minister for Public Health, Women's  
Health and Sport

# The Scottish Patient Safety Programme

Creating the Conditions for Safe Care

Joanne Matthews

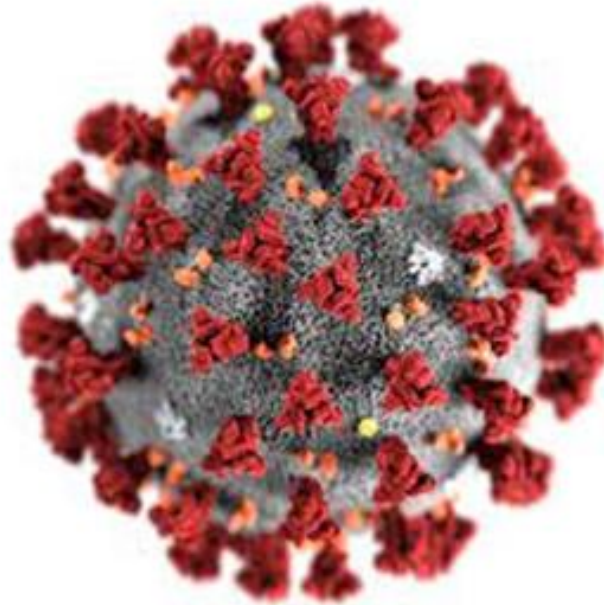
Head of Improvement Support and Safety



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# Little Did We Know.....



# Safety is Not Done





**SPSP aims to improve  
the safety and reliability  
of care and reduce harm**

## Core Themes

**Essentials of Safe Care**

**SPSP Programme improvement focus  
Maternity ,Neonatal, Paediatric Acute Care,  
Primary Care, Medicines and Mental Health**

**SPSP Learning System**

# Creating the Conditions





# Essentials of Safe Care

**A practical package of evidence based guidance and support  
that enables Scotland's health and social care system to deliver safe care  
for every person, within every setting, every time.**

# Essentials of Safe Care

## Aim

**To enable the delivery  
of Safe Care for every  
person within every  
system every time**

## Primary Drivers

Person centred systems and behaviours are embedded and support safety for everyone

Safe communications within and between teams

Leadership to promote a culture of safety at all levels

Safe consistent clinical and care processes across health and social care settings

## Secondary Drivers

Structures & processes that enable safe, person centred care

Inclusion and involvement

Workforce capacity and capability

Skills : appropriate language, format and content

Practice : use of standardised tools for communication

Critical Situations : management of communication in different situations

Psychological safety

Staff wellbeing

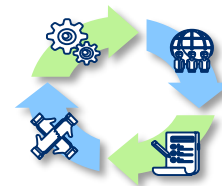
System for learning

Reliable implementation of Standard Infection Prevention and Control Precautions (SICPS)

Safe Staffing

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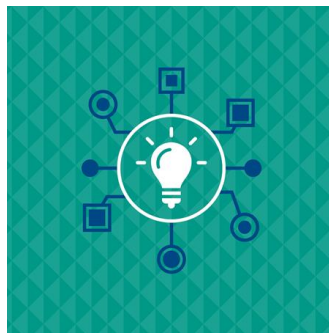
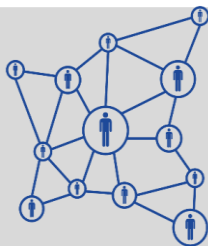
The **SPSP Learning System** will be a key element of our work and underpins all our activities. It aims to accelerate sharing of learning and improvement work through a range of engagement and learning opportunities.



Learning events  
and webinars



Supporting  
Networks



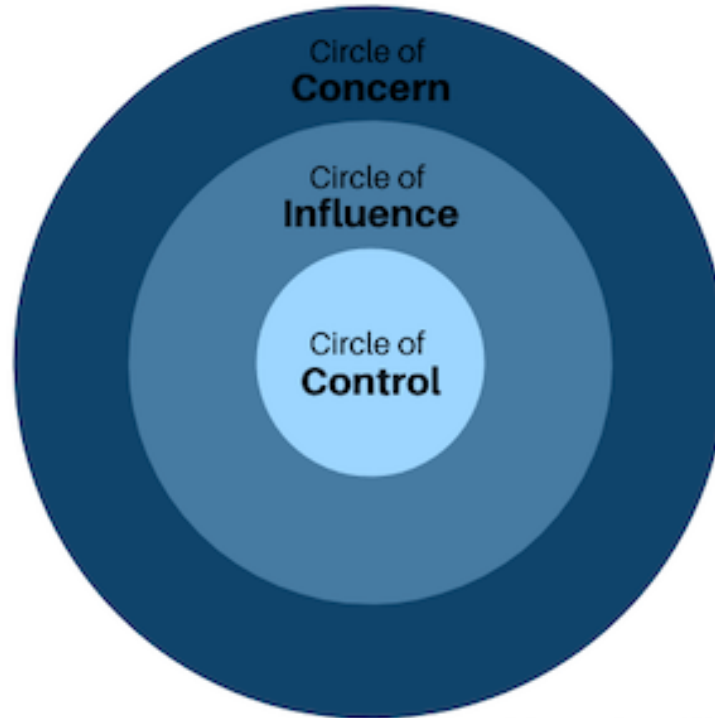
Sharing data,  
supporting  
measurement  
and Evaluation



Producing evidence  
summaries and  
case studies  
studies



# What Can You Do?



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# Thank you



## **Professor Mary Dixon-Woods**

Foundation Professor of Healthcare Improvement  
Studies & Director of THIS Institute at  
University of Cambridge



## Questions & Answers with Professor Mary Dixon-Woods



# A system view

‘To enable the delivery of Safe Care for every person within every system every time’

**Robbie Pearson**

Chief Executive

Healthcare Improvement Scotland

# ‘Smoke detectors’

*‘...routinely collect, analyse and respond to local measures that serve as early warning signals of quality and safety problems such as the voice of the patients and the staff, staffing levels, the reliability of critical processes and other quality metrics. These can be ‘smoke detectors’ as much as mortality rates are, and they can signal problems earlier than mortality rates do.’*

Don Berwick 2013

# Four next steps for a safer system

- A **connected system** of safety
- A **focal point for safety** for the system
- **‘Shock absorbers’** for a system under pressure
- A greater focus on **the blind spots**

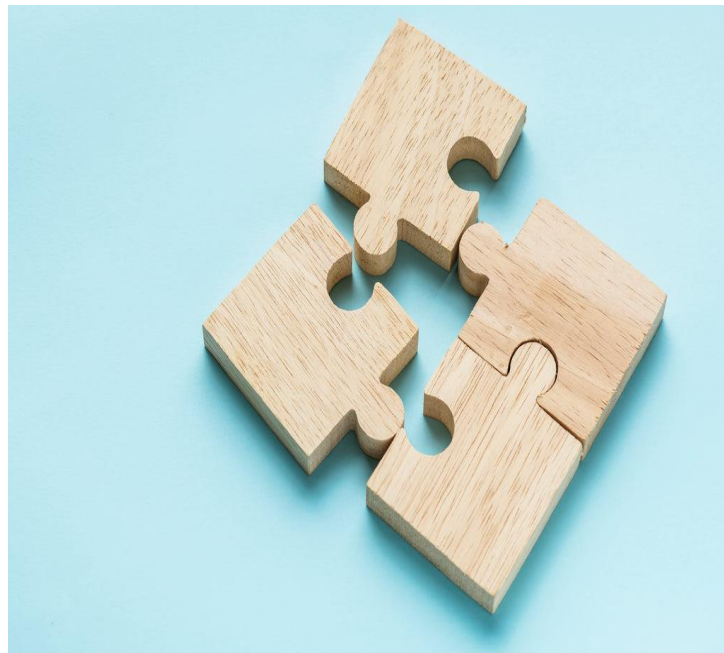
# A connected system of safety



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- A visible **thread of safety** woven through the design and delivery of our NHS
- An **uninterrupted line of sight** from the frontline to the board room on safety
- **Proactive identification** of systems at risk



# Focal point for safety of the system

- Bringing together our wealth of **knowledge and intelligence** in Scotland on safety at all levels
- Understanding and responding to **the safety data** as we do for the performance metrics of the system
- **Curiosity**, asking the questions, providing support



# Shock absorbers for the system



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- Acting **responsibly, practically and proactively** to support the system
- Mutual support and **psychological safety**
- **Well-being** for staff



# A focus on the blind spots

- A stronger focus on safety in the services **that lack measurement data**
- Ensuring that safety is for a **connected system of care**, including less high profile services



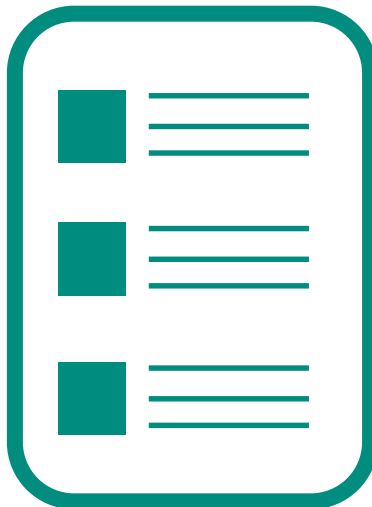


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# Chair's summary



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# Breakout Session Rooms



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- 1. Person-centred approaches to safe care**  
(Cap and Thistle room)
- 2. Leadership to Promote a Culture of Safety**  
(Presidents 1)
- 3. Safe Communication, Safe Care**  
(Moncrieff)
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(Thistle 2)



# Thank you & Feedback



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