



Meds IQ

Sharing QI resources for paediatric medication safety



What is Meds IQ?

Meds IQ is an online hub for sharing QI paediatric medication safety projects and innovation ideas, which child health professionals can use to support their improvement.



How it all started...

- 72000 medication errors were reported in England in 2007
- NHS Outcomes Framework 2014/15
- Paediatric medication errors
- “Why Children Die” report (2014)
- Department of Health funded
- QI network to reduce harm from paediatric medication error



Meds IQ Team

- *Project board*

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- *Expert advisory group*

- RCPCH (Clinical Standards, Education, Trainees Committee, Medicines Committee)
 - RCGP
 - RCN
 - Royal Pharmaceutical Society
 - NHS England
 - MiST (Making it Safer Together)
 - Running Horse Group
 - Medicines for Children
- Multi-professional focus groups

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- An easy to access and navigate website hosting examples of low cost QI interventions organised into thematic categories (prescribing, error reporting, medicines reconciliation, patient information) and resource types (projects, tools, courses)
- A submission mechanism – anyone can publish their work and link it to their CPD portfolio
- A Champions' Network – a community of practice
- Expert webinars and events
- Publications and conference presentations
- Working groups and policy



Key challenges and how we solved them (or didn't)

- Quality assurance
- Drug calculators!
- The sore topic in QI: measuring results!
- And then the usual...

