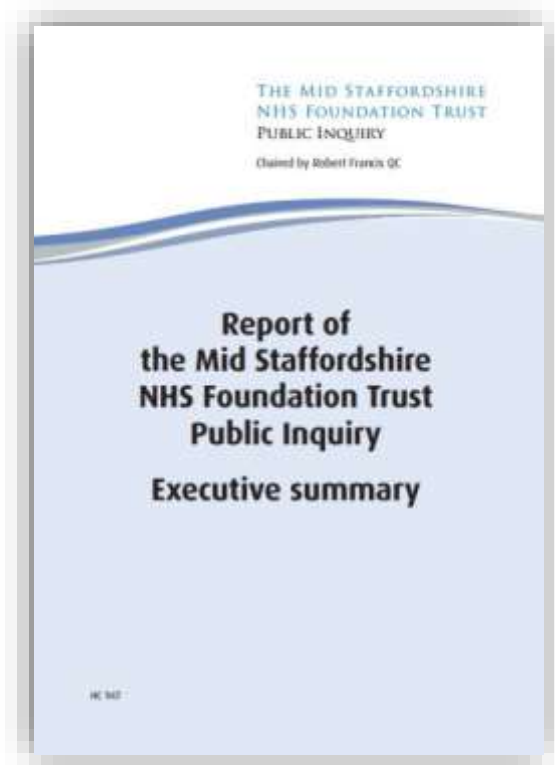


# **Trainee Experience – a Proxy for Patient Safety**

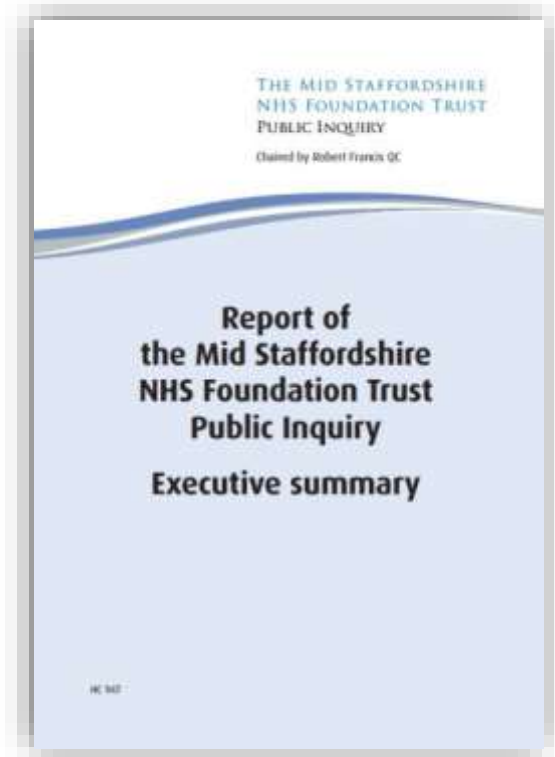
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**Postgraduate Dean**

**Co-lead for Quality, Medicine Directorate, NES**  
**Co-chair of Sharing Intelligence for Health & Care Group**



- **‘Good practical training should only be given where there is good clinical care’**
- **‘There is an inextricable link between the quality of care & quality of training’**
- **‘Trainees are invaluable eyes & ears in a hospital setting’**



## Recommendation 162

The GMC's standards & regulation should ensure that:

- the safety of patients is the priority of the system of medical training
- clinical placements that fail to meet safety & quality standards should not take trainees
- action must be taken to address patient safety concerns raised when GMC & Deaneries monitor whether standards for training are being met

## Deanery's Quality Management Process



### Monitoring Tools – are GMC standards met?

Surveys (trainee)	Annual GMC NTS (UK)* Scottish Training Survey (each post)*
Reports (annual)	Board DME Report Deanery Programme TPD report
Others	Notification of Concern Process*
QM visit	Routine QM visit cycle*

### Elucidating a potential signal of concern

Enquiries	To DME To TPD
QM Visits	Fact-finding Meeting* Triggered (incl immediate) Visit* Enhanced Monitoring (+GMC) Visit*

\* Include focus on safety of patients



## **Rapid Review of the Safety and Quality of Care for Acute Adult Patients in NHS Lanarkshire**

In August 2013, the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Wellbeing commissioned Healthcare Improvement Scotland to undertake a Rapid Review of the safety and quality of care for acute adult patients in NHS Lanarkshire.

### **The terms of reference for the review were to:**

- ▶ provide an independent expert diagnosis of the factors which may underlie the Hospital Standardised Mortality Ratio figures, including a Rapid Review assessment of any systemic factors which may be impacting on the safety and quality of care and treatment being provided to patients in NHS Lanarkshire's acute hospitals



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## **21 Recommendations**

- **Patient safety (5)**
- **Communications (1)**
- **Patient feedback & complaints processes (2)**
- **Lack of engagement in improvement processes (3)**
- **Staffing levels & deployment:**
  - **medical (1)**
  - **nursing (5)**
- **Medical & board leadership & management (7)**



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## **Recommendation 7**

**NHS Lanarkshire should take prompt action to  
develop & implement a credible & practical  
model for medical staffing that meets patient  
needs:**

**Especially seniority & number of staff OOH**

**Robust arrangements for when staff on leave**

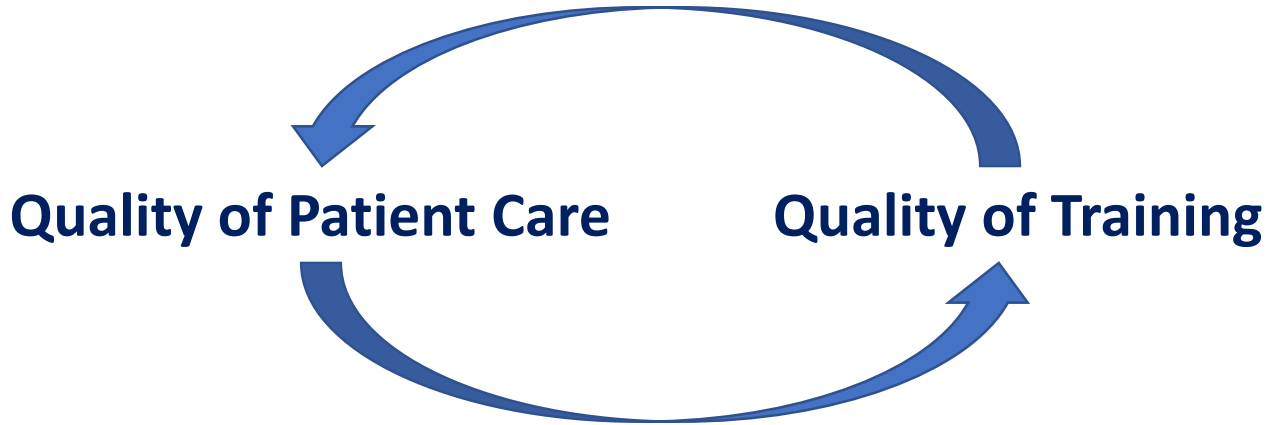
**Immediate priority areas - staffing of  
orthopaedics, acute/general medicine, care of  
the elderly & emergency medicine**





# Concerns about PGMET in NHS Lanarkshire signalled by the Deanery's quality management processes in 2013

*Good clinical supervision is patient safety now*



**Outcome from the perspective of PGMET**

**GMC invoked 'special measures' ('enhanced monitoring') supporting the Deanery to drive improvements through its QM processes**

Hairmyres Hospital – Emergency Medicine, Medicine, Surgery & Orthopaedics

Monklands Hospital - Medicine, Surgery & Orthopaedics

Wishaw General Hospital - Medicine, Surgery & Orthopaedics

**'Enhanced monitoring' was in place 2014 - 2019**

# **Mental Health Services – NHS Tayside**

## **Concerns about training signalling wider service issues**

**Mar16 – Nov16**

- **Deanery quality management visits to Murray Royal Hospital triggered by concerns in surveys & TPD reports**
- **Persisting failure to meet GMC's standards around postgraduate medical training in general adult psychiatry in relation to:**
  - adequacy of the experience**
  - supervision & support**
  - leadership**
  - culture & behaviours**

# Mental Health Services – NHS Tayside

## Concerns about training signalling wider service issues

<b>Jul17</b>	<b>Re-visit – persisting problems, became clear wider than Murray Royal Hospital</b>
<b>Aug17</b>	<b>Sharing of concerns at Sharing Intelligence for Health &amp; Care Group</b>
<b>Nov17-May18</b>	<b>2 Re-visits, refocused on general adult psychiatry training across NHS Tayside – same concerns, no progress</b>
<b>May18</b>	<b>Deanery escalated Tayside General Adult Psychiatry training to GMC's special measures ('enhanced monitoring')</b>

# Mental Health Services – NHS Tayside

## Concerns about training signalling wider service issues

**May18**

**NHS Tayside commissioned Independent Inquiry into Mental Health Services in Tayside led by David Strang**

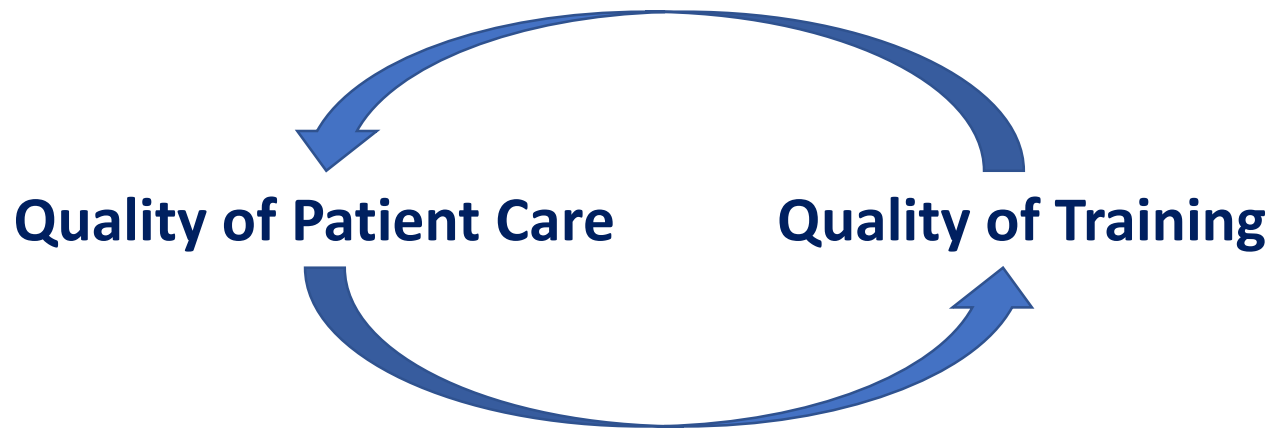
**Jan19 & Oct19**

**Re-visits, same concerns, limited progress**

**Feb20**

**Publication of report of the Strang Inquiry**  
**51 recommendations grouped by 5 themes:**

- **Strategic service design**
- **Governance & leadership responsibility**
- **Engaging with people**
- **Learning culture**
- **Communication**

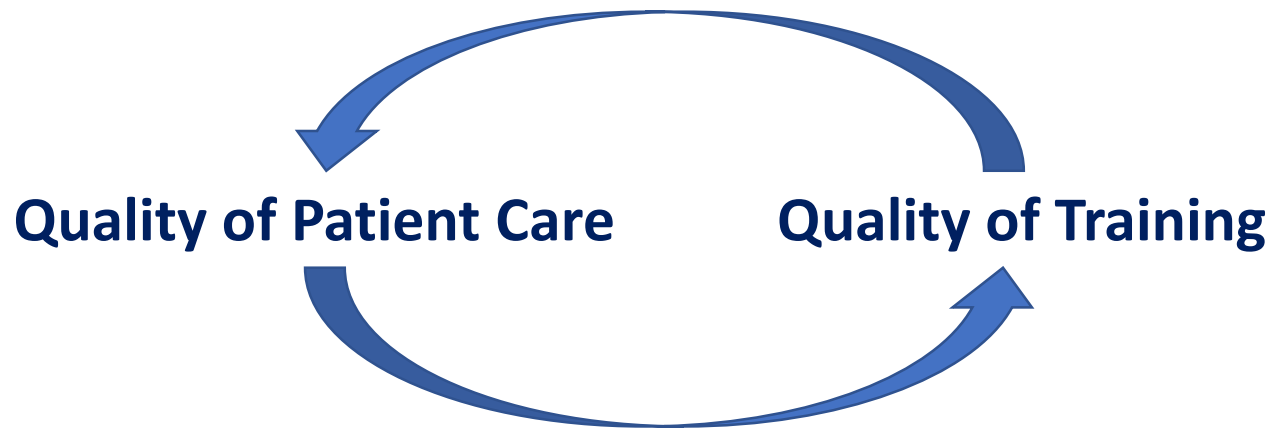


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