

Shared Insights: Focus on the Patient Safety Incident Response Framework (PSIRF)

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The NHS has introduced the Patient Safety Incident Response Framework (PSIRF) to replace the Serious Incident Framework. PSIRF marks a significant shift in the way the NHS responds to patient safety incidents.

Following on from previous Shared Insights on PSIRF, this session focused on governance and assurance issues and explored:

- What internal governance processes organisations have in place to ensure the quality of written outputs generated from the various patient safety incident responses.
- The impact of PSIRF on the management of inquests and claims.
- The changes to external oversight and the changing role of the ICBs from “command and control” to “engagement and empowerment”.

The session was chaired by Amelia Newbold, Risk Management Lead and Katie Viggers, Professional Development Lawyer and we were delighted to be joined by Andrew Coburn, Assistant Director of Legal, Governance and Mental Health Legislation at Derbyshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust and Deborah Dodge, Patient Safety Specialist at Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland ICB.

Andrew and Deborah shared their insights and experiences of PSIRF so far, followed by discussion sharing ideas and examples of best practice.

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