

Development of an Online Quality Improvement Platform

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Background

Keele University have developed the first UK Academic General Practice (AGP), to build local capacity in academic general practice, using a research-active 'beacon' practice to implement, pilot and evaluate innovative and collaborative models of care.

The AGP boasts strengths in clinical informatic and implementation expertise which enable it to produce and test easy-to-use quality improvement (QI) tools. These QI tools can support any general practice to efficiently deliver demonstrable high-quality, evidence-based care.

Clinical service delivery pressures threaten QI activities. Variability exists with in-practice expertise to deliver QI initiatives from scratch. QI initiative development requires identification and appraisal of the relevant evidence, translation of evidence into everyday care, and development of further electronic health record informatic tools.

Methods

An online Knowledge Exchange Platform (KEP) is being developed, to exchange knowledge and best-practice and to host QI tools and practical support to help any GP deliver high-quality care.

Through provision of links to contacts in the AGP, the KEP will become an interactive platform. The initial KEP will be developed and launched by March 2019.

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Conclusions

The development of a KEP for QI initiatives will;



Knowledge Exchange Platform

Outcome

Through existing networks, the AGP will raise its profile, with the vision that this activity will build towards practice-level GP scholarship, complementing others' work to promote individual GP scholarship.

We anticipate that the KEP will support growth in the delivery of high-quality care provision for all GPs, by providing accessible, easy to use resources, regardless of academic and/or clinical informatics expertise.

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