

Safety in Practice Alumni Network

After three years of supported participation in the Safety in Practice (SiP) programme you now have the quality improvement (QI) skills, knowledge and experience that you need to continue with your on-going quality improvement journey independently. We hope that these improvements will be undertaken as business as usual within the culture of your team's work.

As a part of the Safety in Practice Alumni Network you will be provided with on-going access to resources and some support. This is to help you sustain the improvements that you have already made, and identify new QI opportunities in other areas. The network will also keep you connected with updates and news in the area of safety and quality improvement. Please note there is no financial reimbursement for involvement in the Alumni Network.

1. Ongoing support provided

As part of the Alumni Network, you will

- Have access to the SiP website and associated resources
- Receive advice and support from the Project Team if required for undertaking your own QI projects (via info@safetyinpractice.co.nz)

1. 1 Safety Culture Tools

As a result of completing the Safety in Practice curriculum you will have completed at least two safety culture tools. You are encouraged to continue to use the resources relating to these tools and apply them to your business as usual. The trigger tool and significant event analysis can be completed at any stage during the year without our involvement. If you wish to complete the safety climate survey the opportunity will be provided on a case-by-case basis at the same time as other teams complete the survey. If you would like to complete the safety climate survey please email info@safetyinpractice.co.nz (NB: The survey usually Dec-February each year and cannot be completed at another time).

1. 2 Learning Sessions and Quality Improvement skills workshop

You are not required to attend learning sessions after transitioning to the Alumni Network. Opportunities to attend quality improvement workshops and learning sessions will be offered on a case-by-case basis. If you would like to attend a quality improvement skills workshop please email info@safetyinpractice.co.nz (NB: these sessions are held in August/September each year).

2. Certification

2.1 Complete 3 year Safety in Practice curriculum

Complete the 3-year curriculum to the prescribed pass rate to be eligible for programme completion.

2.2 Submissions of sustainability plan

The final step to completing programme is the submission of a sustainability plan to audit@safetyinpractice.co.nz

2.3 Certificate of completion

You will receive a certificate of completion for completing the programme in all its requirements. You will enter the alumni network as a fully accredited Safety in Practice clinic or pharmacy

2.1 Pass rate

A pass rate will add value by assurance that teams leave the programme with the adequate skill set to continue their patient safety journey independently and within the Alumni network. Safety in Practice clinical module data submissions will be monitored at the monthly data management - performance review meetings where teams requiring help will be identified. The project team will monitor teams' data submissions to help identify teams in need of additional support, so to uplift their performance.

Each year teams will be marked against a score card of continuous improvement, teams will need to demonstrate a high enough level of overall improvement to achieve the prescribed pass rate for the Safety in Practice programme.

2.2 Submission of a sustainability plan

A sustainability plan must be submitted to audit@safetyinpractice.co.nz as the final step to becoming a fully accredited Safety in Practice clinic or pharmacy. The sustainability plan demonstrates and describes how you will continue to maintain the changes you have implemented during time in the programme as well as how you will adapt to challenges in the future. A copy of the sustainability plan template can be downloaded from the Safety in Practice website.

3. Quality improvement projects

Should you wish to undertake your own QI project on an area that is of interest to your practice or pharmacy we encourage you to do so using the tools you have learnt during the programme. Support for developing your audit questions and spread sheets is available to you by contacting info@safetyinpractice.co.nz