

# SAVE THE DATE - 6TH JULY AT MILLBANK TOWER

## Spring Newsletter

### QI days in May

Please register for the last QI day set in May. The dates for each region including the Eventbrite registration are below. The day will include reviewing your NELA data over the project time and alternative ways of displaying it, how to make messages stick, and more on the video story competition!

Wessex - 5 May

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/wessex-emergency-laparotomy-collaborative-elc-event-4-tickets-31633752405>

KSS - 15 May

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/emergency-laparotomy-collaborative-local-qi-training-tickets-31636585880>

West of England - 18th May

<https://elc4.eventbrite.co.uk>



The final Emergency Laparotomy Collaborative event is nearly upon us. Don't forget to register for an afternoon and evening of closing talks and results as well as the future of the ELC. Drinks and canapés will be served after the talks.

The link to register for this fabulous celebration is: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/emergency-laparotomy-celebration-event-tickets-31637168623>

We look forward to seeing you there!

## Preliminary results for ELC

Crude mortality is now down to an average of **8.1%** across the ELC sites.

**22 out of 28** hospitals now have consultant surgeon directly involved in care, 90% of the time, at any time of day or night.

**27 out of 28** hospitals have a consultant surgeon

## New runchart maker

A new run chart maker has been emailed out by Ben as NELA has changed their export columns. Their two new export columns are 'ResponsibleConsultantSpecialityCode' and 'OperatingConsultantSpecialityCode'.

If you have not received the new run chart maker please email us at [rsc-tr.emergencylaparotomy@nhs.net](mailto:rsc-tr.emergencylaparotomy@nhs.net) and we can send one out to you.

## Apologies for the website

Unfortunately the website got hacked. However all is sorted now but we are waiting for Google to remove the hacking text on their search. I am reassured by the website designer that all is ok on the website and your computer will not be struck down with viruses.

## Shortlisted for Patient Safety Awards

The ELC has been shortlisted for two Patient Safety Awards for HSJ. One is for the 'Improving Surgical Services' category and the other is for Nial Quiney as 'Quality Lead of the Year.' Obviously we are very pleased but we wanted to say THANK YOU again to all members of the ELC. We could not have done this without you.

directly involved in care **80%** of the time, at any time of day or night.

**12 out of 28** hospitals admit **80%** or more of all patients to ICU

And more specifically:

### At Basingstoke and North Hampshire Hospitals:

- Direct consultant surgical involvement has improved from **70 to 95%**

### At Darent Valley Hospital:

- Direct involvement with a consultant anaesthetist has improved from **70 to 90%**

- ICU admission rate has improved from **62% to a massive 90%!**

- Crude mortality rate here has fallen from **13.8% to 6.3%**

### At Cheltenham Hospital:

- Direct consultant surgeon involvement in laparotomy cases has increased from **84% to 100%**

- ICU admission rate has improved from **57% to 82%**

- Patients who require a Category 1 operation (< 2 hours) has increased from **65% to 100%**

This is truly AMAZING figures and we know that behind each change is a dedicated clinician and team working really really hard.

**THANK YOU** and more importantly **WELL DONE!!**

## Sarah Hare is Clinical Lead for NELA

Huge congratulations to Dr Sarah Hare, Consultant Anaesthetist at Medway Hospital who is now Clinical Lead for NELA! Well done Sarah and we hope to continue working closely with you!