



East of England Clinical Senate

Protecting and improving the nation's health

Readiness for seven day services

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Background

- 7/7 key national priority 10 national clinical standards to be met by April 2017
- MD forum concerned about 'on-going consultant review' standard (standard 8)
- Develop approach to:
 - Improve definition and measurement
 - Identify barriers to achievement and areas of good practice
 - Evaluate strengths and weaknesses of approach
- Initially pilot with one Trust

What did we learn about the process?

- Observations of ward rounds plus interaction with clinical staff worked well
- Multidisciplinary visit team, including members of Trust different perspectives
- Reflection of 'usual' practice? time limited period, weekday not weekend, Specialist Trust

What did we learn about standard 8?

Variation in daily consultant delivered ward round

- Patient needs
- Type of ward round
- Membership of ward round
- Weekday vs Saturday vs Sunday

Next steps

- Pilot in non-specialist hospital
- Test themes
- Feedback findings locally
- Opportunity to influence nationally