Child Health Clinical Outcome Review Programme

UPCARE: 0.01 Programme name - please do not change this field.*	Child Health Clinical Outcome Review Programme
0.02 Workstream name (if applicable) - please do not change this field.*	Stabilisation of the critically ill child
0.1 Contract status	Ongoing
0.2 Audit or non-audit	Non-audit
0.3 HQIP commissioned*	Yes
0.41 HQIP AD	DS
0.42 HQIP PM	SB
1.0 Included in current NHS Quality Accounts*	Yes
1.1a Geographical coverage - HQIP agreement*	England; Wales; Northern Ireland; Jersey
1.2a Topic - please select which ONE of the following best describes the topic area for the programme or workstream. If more than one apply, please select 'Other' and add comment to the next question.*	Child & Adolescent
1.3a Healthcare setting*	NHS secondary or tertiary care; Paediatric
1.4a Does your patient cohort include the following?*	Under 18s (younger than 18)

1.4b Inclusion and exclusion criteria*

Inclusions

Patients aged 0 to 18th birthday, who require stabilisation in hospital between the 1st October 2024 – 31st March 2025

Exclusions

Patients admitted to the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) or Special Care Baby Unit (SCBU)

Patients who are admitted as a result of trauma (ICD10 codes T00 – T88) to a major trauma centre (patients admitted as a result of trauma to a non-major trauma centre will still be included)

Patients admitted to independent hospitals

1.5 Methods of data submission*	Extraction from existing data source(s); Bespoke data submission by healthcare provider
1.6a 2023/24 data submission closes - please indicate date, series of dates or frequency.*	N/A
1.6b 2024/25 data submission closes - please indicate date, series of dates or frequency.*	N/A
1.6c 2025/26 data submission closes - please indicate date, series of dates or frequency.*	N/A
1.6d 2026/27 data submission closes - please indicate date, series of dates or frequency.*	31/05/2026
1.7 Data flow diagram	https://www.ncepod.org.uk/pdf/current/Data_flow_2024.pdf
1.8 Data quality & analysis plan	**Data preparation**

Data preparation

- Quantitative data will be checked to ensure no erroneous data have been added, to assess missing data, and to make sure that the data are sensible. Any absent data will be classified as 'not answered'.
- Qualitative data collected from the case reviewers' opinions and free-text answers in the clinician questionnaires will be coded, where applicable, according to content to allow quantitative analysis.
- Descriptive data summaries will be produced supported by tables and graphs.
- Anonymised case studies will be used to illustrate the themes with examples of good and poor care.

Data analysis rules

- Small numbers will be suppressed if they risk identifying an individual. This is usually five or fewer but will vary depending on the dataset.
- Any percentage under 1% will be presented in the report as <1%.
- Percentages are not calculated if the denominator was less than 100 so as not to inflate the findings, unless to compare groups within the same analysis.
- There will be variation in the denominator for different data sources and for each individual question as it is based on the number of answers given.
- The sampling method of this enquiry, unlike an audit, means that data cannot be displayed at a hospital/trust/health board/regional level.

The findings will be reviewed three times prior to publication by the SAG, case reviewers and the NCEPOD Steering Group, which includes clinical co-ordinators, trustees, and lay representatives.

1.9a Link to the outlier policy*	N/A
1.9b Link to the cause for concern policy*	https://www.ncepod.org.uk/pdf/resources/Cause%20for%20concern%20policy.pdf
2.1 Outcome measures	N/A
2.2 Process measures	N/A
2.3 Organisational measures	N/A
2.4 Patient reported outcome measures	N/A
2.5 Patient reported experience measures	N/A
2.6a Do measures align with any of the following sources of evidence (select all that apply)	Other (please describe in next question)
2.6b Evidence supplemental information	CORPs always align with NICE where relevant
3.1 Results visualisation	Other
3.2a Levels of reporting*	National
3.3 Timeliness of results feedback	Within 2 years
4.03 2025/26 Dataset covers the period FROM/TO (within financial year 01/04 to 31/03)*	21/07/2025 - 31/03/2026
4.04 2026/27 Dataset covers the period FROM/TO (within financial year 01/04 to 31/03)*	01/04/2026 - 31/05/2026
4.10 Dataset #1 name	Stabilisation questionnaire
4.11 Dataset #1 type	Questionnaire

4.12 Dataset #1 population coverage*	Sample of eligible patients
4.13 Dataset #1 items collected (n)	231
4.16 Dataset #1 specification	https://www.ncepod.org.uk/pdf/current/Stabilisation/Stabilisation%20questionnaire_Final.pdf
4.20 Dataset #2 name	Receiving critical care unit questionnaire
4.21 Dataset #2 type	Questionnaire
4.22 Dataset #2 population coverage*	Sample of eligible patients
4.23 Dataset #2 items collected (n)	71
4.26 Dataset #2 specification	https://www.ncepod.org.uk/pdf/current/Stabilisation/Receiving%20critical%20care%20unit%20questionnaire_Final.pdf
4.30 Dataset #3 name	Reviewer assessment form
4.31 Dataset #3 type	Case note review
4.32 Dataset #3 population coverage*	Sample of eligible patients
4.33 Dataset #3 items collected (n)	261
4.36 Dataset #3 specification	Link to be added when available
4.40 Dataset #4 name	Organisational questionnaire
4.41 Dataset #4 type	Questionnaire
4.46 Dataset #4 specification	Link to be added when available

5.00 When was your healthcare quality improvement plan (referred to as a QI Plan) last reviewed? Please upload under 'Files' below using the HQIP naming convention (click on response to see pop-up help text).	10/07/2025
5.20 National report publication date (within calendar year 01/01 - 31/12/2023)*	N/A
5.21 Published/planned national report publication date (within calendar year 01/01 - 31/12/2024)*	N/A
5.22 Planned national report publication date (within calendar year 01/01 - 31/12/2025)*	N/A
5.23 Planned national report publication date (within calendar year 01/01 - 31/12/2026)*	10/12/2026
5.24 Planned national report publication date (within calendar year 01/01 - 31/12/2027)*	N/A
6.0 Please add the most recent date that you have reviewed and updated an online version of UPCARE Workstream section(s) on your project's website (click into the response to see pop-up guidance).	12/02/2026