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# Implementing the Vincent Framework at the Frontline

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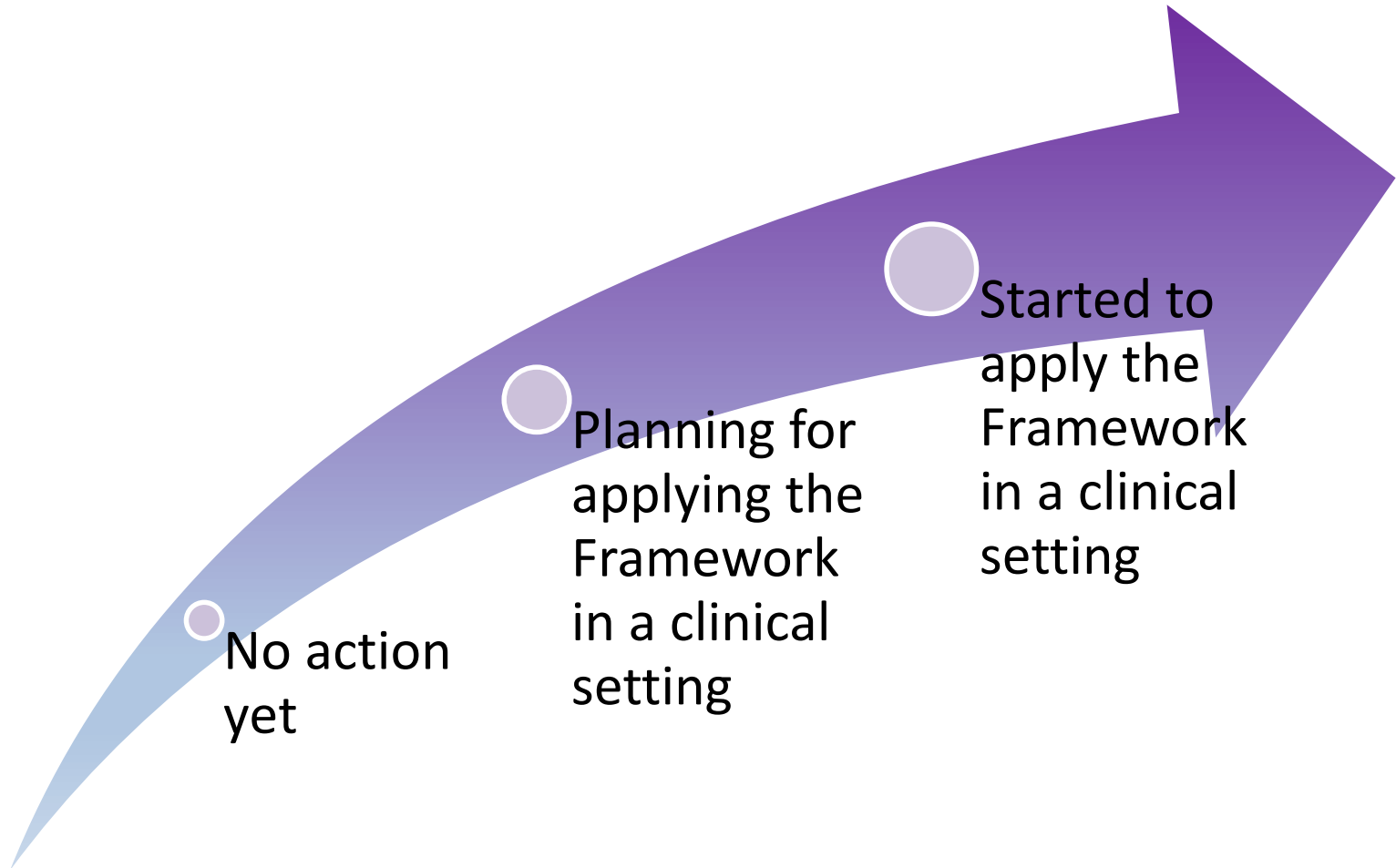


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# Welcome



# Using the Framework



# Jo Thomson



How Scotland became involved  
in the Measuring and  
Monitoring of Safety Framework

# Measurement and Monitoring of Safety Programme

Canadian webex

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2017



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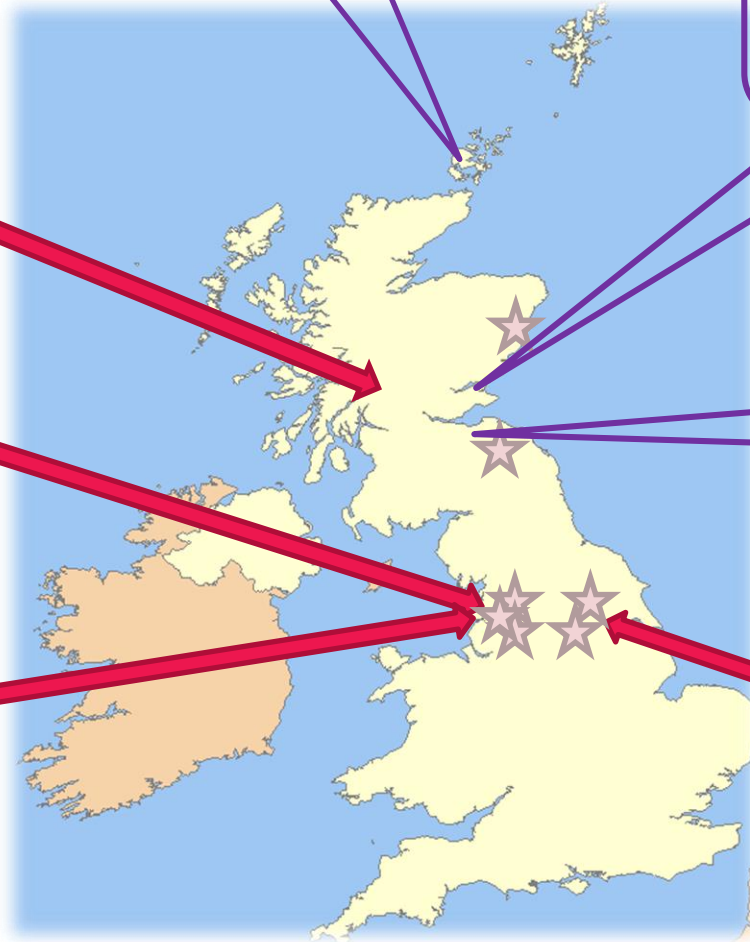


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A scenic landscape featuring a wide river or estuary. The water is a deep blue-grey color, reflecting the sky. On the right side, a steep, forested hill rises from the water's edge. In the distance, low mountains are visible under a sky filled with large, white, fluffy clouds. The foreground shows a sandy and rocky shoreline with some green and brown vegetation.

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★ Test sites

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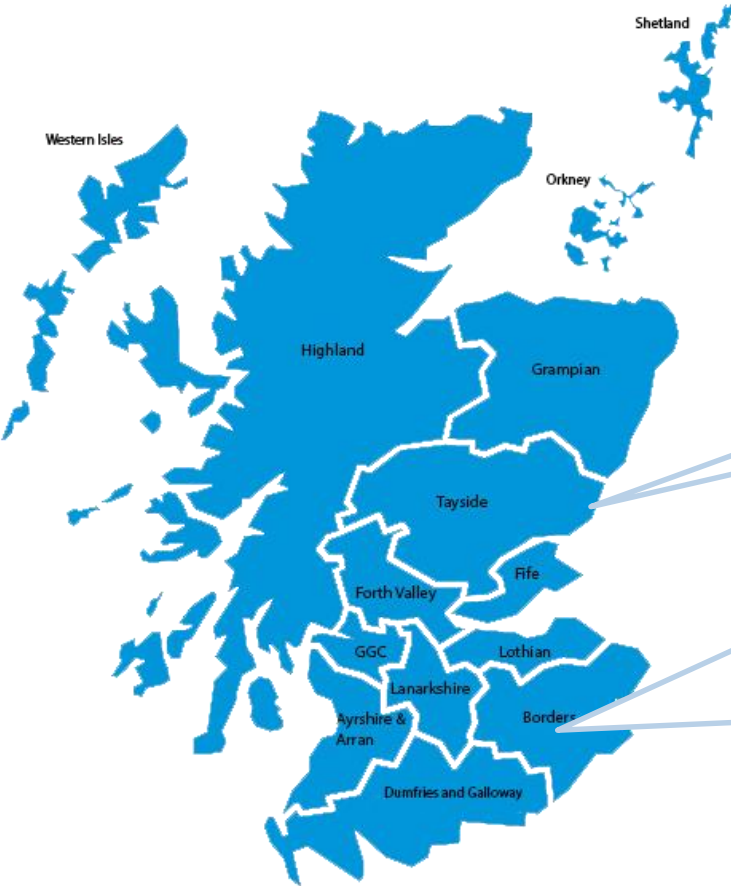
# Our testing

## NHS Tayside

- Mental health unit – initial focus on medicine omissions
- Board performance review process

## NHS Borders

- Frailty pathway (point of admission to acute care)
- Ward to Board



## Further information

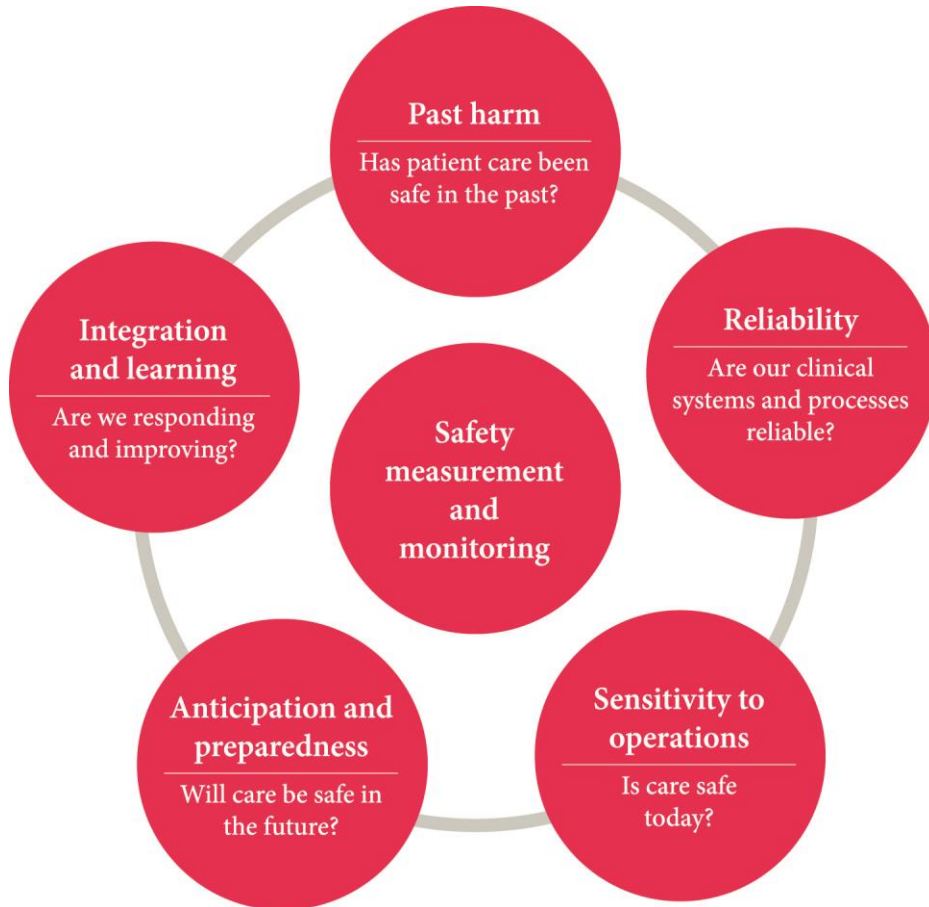
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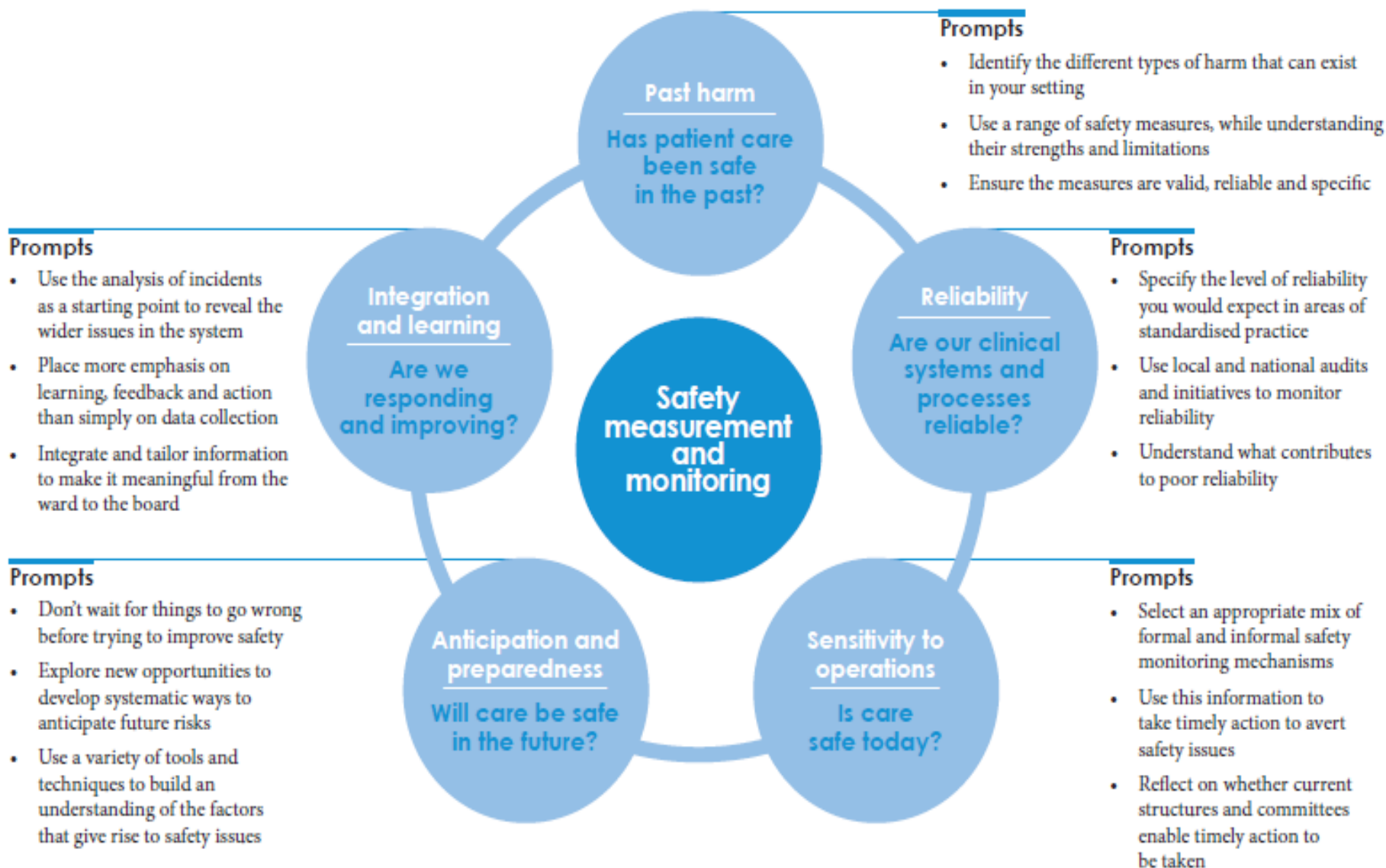
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Figure 2: The framework for measuring and monitoring safety – and useful prompts for using it in practice





Angus Community Health Partnership  
**The Susan Carnegie Centre**



No Smoking Hospital Site - Please observe our health policy





# Mapping of existing work

- Shaded are suggestions for things that could come under programme/ be formalised
- Then need to consider CRHTT and CMHT connections.

## Integration and Learning

- Weekly Ward Level Datix Review
- SCEA and SSEA processes

- Mgt/ planning level use of data?

## Anticipation and Preparedness

- Patient Safety Climate Survey
- Staff Safety Climate Survey
- Patient feedback; HYD, Care Question, 360 degree feedback

- Ward environmental assessments?
- Individualised Pt Risk mgt plans?
- How do we get right balance with Positive Risk Taking?
- **Other Predictive factors?** Eg patient mix, occupancy levels, staffing levels, square footage, staff mix, temp staff levels, reconfiguration of community services etc

## Vincent Framework: Mulberry Dec2014

### Past Harm

- Meds Reconciliation
- Zero Tolerance Prescribing
- Meds Omissions
- Mandatory Dataset
- Complaints
- SPSP Outcome Measures
- SRI2, WRAP

- Pt level clinical risk assessments?

Figure 1: A framework for measuring and monitoring safety



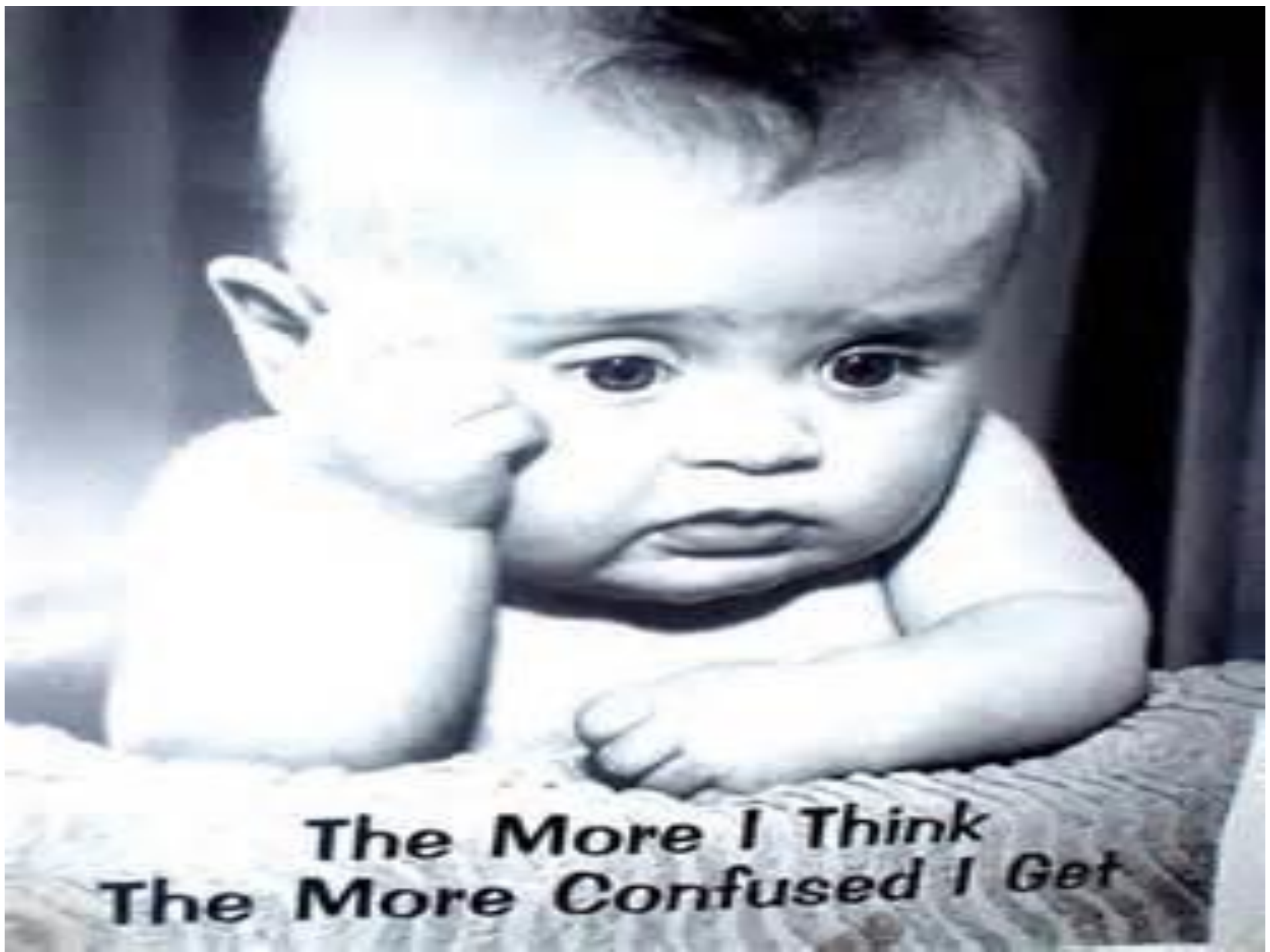
## Work Currently Underway

## Reliability

- Ward Handover
- Risk Assessment Compliance
- Locked Door Compliance
- What other processes need reliable implementation? We are not agreed on those as yet. Eg Admission criteria, pathways into and out of inpts etc

## Sensitivity to operations

- Weekly MHET Red & Amber review
- Daily Safety Briefings
- Patient feedback; HYD, Care Question, 360 degree feedback
- Early Warning Scores? Levels of Obs?
- Escalation procedures in and out of hours?
- Immediacy of data?



**The More I Think  
The More Confused I Get**



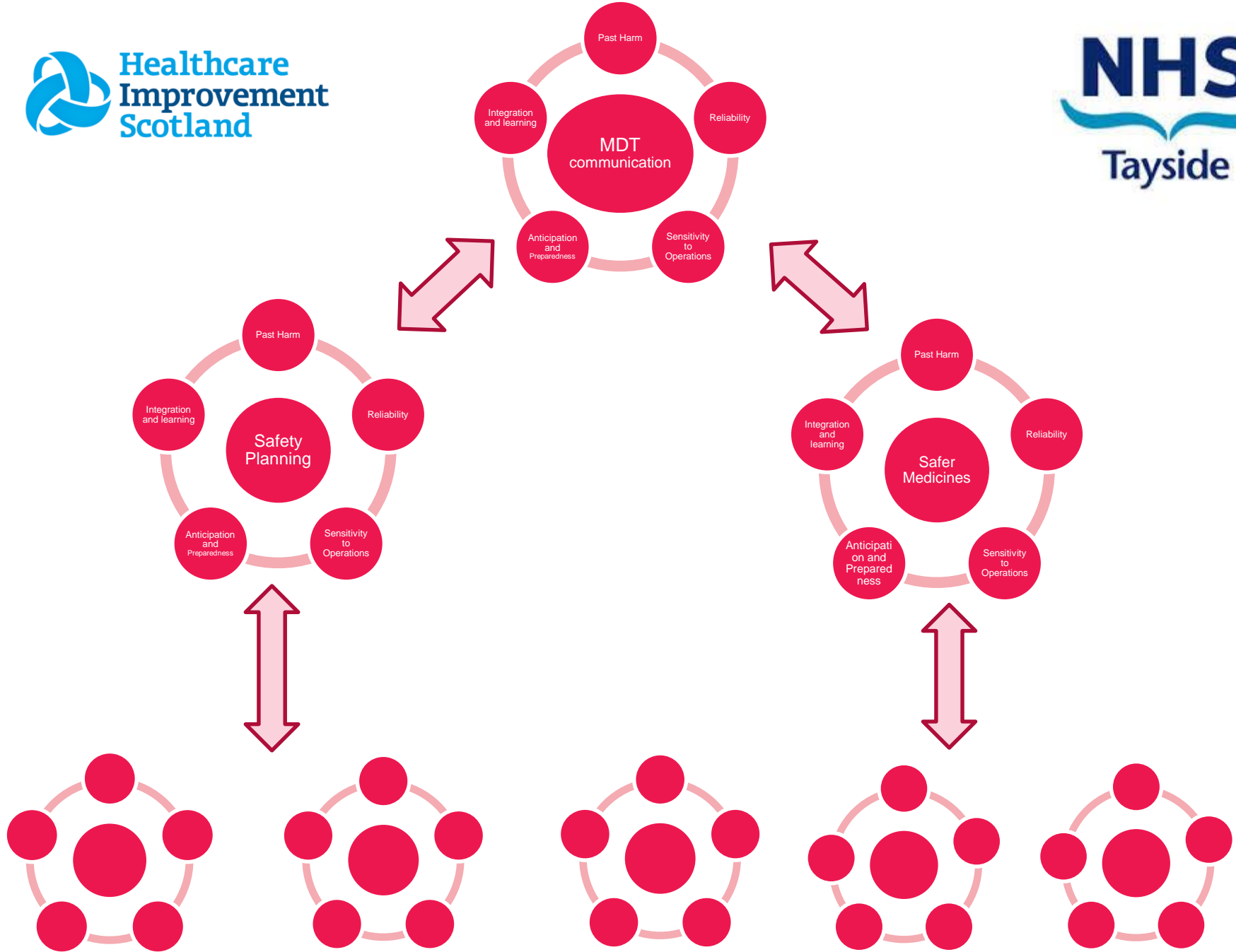
# Through the eyes of patients

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dBUxnyOxW\\_4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dBUxnyOxW_4)

A middle-aged man with short, grey hair and a light beard, wearing a white patterned shirt. He is looking slightly to the left of the camera with a neutral expression. The background is a blurred office or meeting room with a whiteboard and colorful charts.

**James Kennedy**

Practice Development Nurse,  
Adult Mental Health & Angus



1<sup>st</sup> level

- Medication errors
- Never events/mortality
- Inadequate monitoring of high risk
- Side effects
- Physical health issues

- Patient experience – patient stories
- Incident reviews – formal reporting mechanisms
- Junior doctor/Nursing education in relation to medicines
- Reporting structures e.g Safety, Governance and Risk group

- MDT knowledge of medicines policy/protocols
- Development and dissemination of policies – organisational challenges
- Professional guidance e.g NMC
- Links across the interfaces – e.g primary care and acute care
- Ward planning and ward rounds e.g meetings lasting 3 hours

- Med rec on admission
- Med rec on discharge
- Med rec on transfer
- High risk medication checklists
- Adherence to medication policies
- Systems for monitoring and reviewing medications

- Current monitoring systems
- Person dependant processes
- Variability with processes
- Leadership on ward
- Professional accountability
- Professional responsibility



Outcome/Learning Top Tips

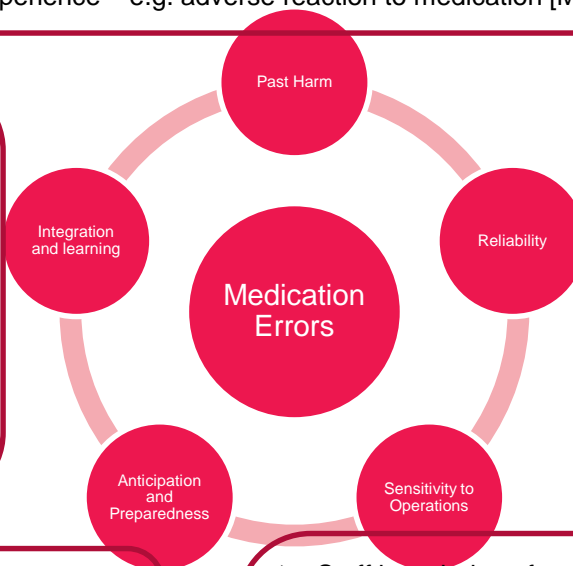
- Involve Everyone
- Pick a date and get started.
- Bottom Up approach

- Administration errors [ M ]
  - Omissions
  - Wrong dose
  - Wrong medicine
  - Wrong time
  - Wrong route
  - Wrong patient
- Patient experience – e.g. adverse reaction to medication [M]

- Standardised process
  - Start time/format
  - Checking/rechecking process
  - Attending to emergencies
- Shift planning and delegation of roles
- Response to patient queries
- Having to chase up patients to get their medication / Not all patients come to trolley for medication
- Complying with medicines reconciliation
- Prescribing Errors - Zero Tolerance Criteria [M]
- Unable to read prescription
- Awaiting for medication changes to occur to dispense

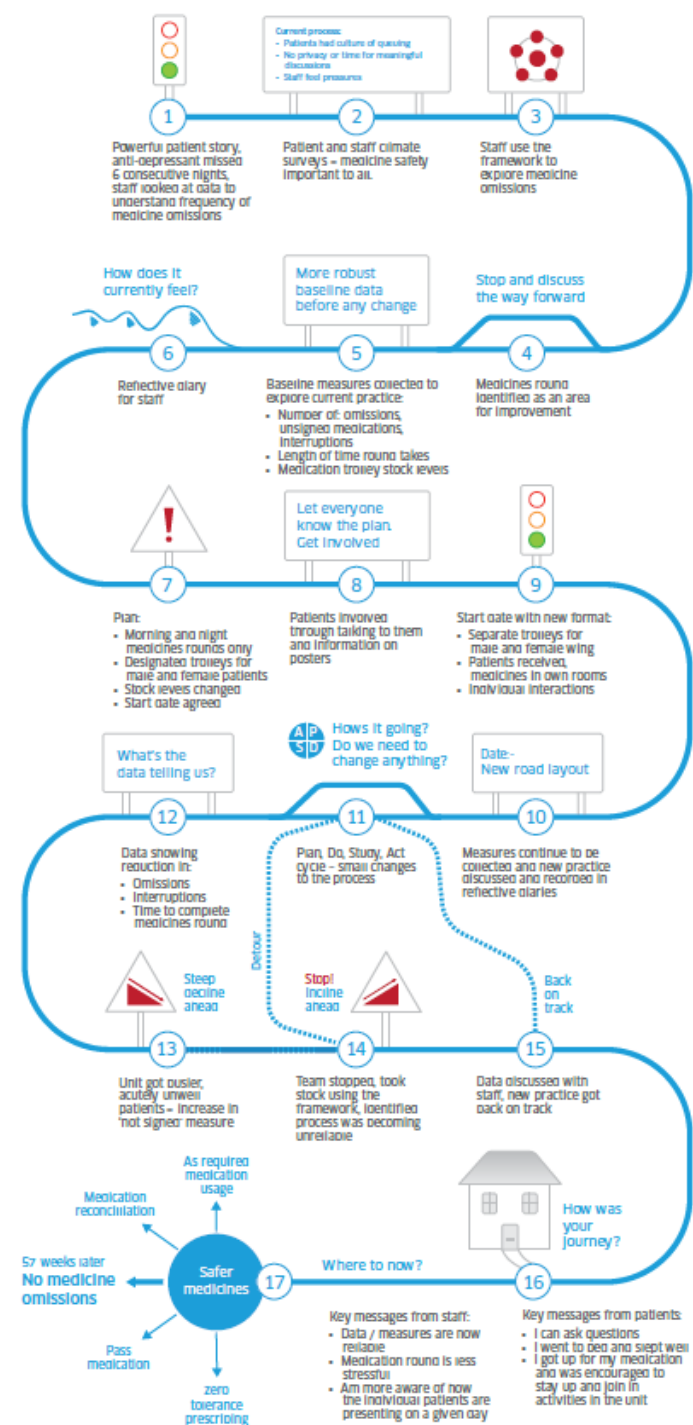
*How we do this rather than measure it*

- Sharing good practice/poor practice
- Learning from previous errors
- Datix reviews/verifiers
- Culture of reporting near misses
- Patient learning/responsibility positive risk taking/recovery/self management
- Patient knowledge of Medication and side effects
- Patient self dispensing



- Staffing levels [M]
- Safety briefing – previous errors (M)
- Delegation of known tasks at the beginning of the shift
- Well organised drug dispensary/trolley

- Staff knowledge of patients [measure-monitoring]
- Staff knowledge/confidence
- Dealing with competing priorities on the ward to protect the drug round
- Interruptions from pharmacist, doctor or domestic [ M ]
- Conversations with patients, what information do they need and want about what to expect? (Ward Board & leaflets)
- Get hold of Doctor to make TPAR changes
- Shift planning (Reliability as well as S.T.O.)
  - decide males/females
  - breaks planned better
  - structure for breakfast group, domestic staff, etc.



Our approach film  
NHS Tayside - Alison McGurk

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7IAzMDv56Bo>





Reflect on what you  
have heard from our  
story

<b>Past Harm</b> Has patient care been safe in the past?	<b>Reliability</b> Are our clinical systems and processes reliable?	<b>Sensitivity to Operations</b> Is care safe today?	<b>Anticipation and Preparedness</b> Will care be safe in the future?	<b>Integration and Learning</b> Are we responding and improving?
<p>Days between in- patient suicide</p> <p><b>Mortality Reviews</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Percentage of deaths reviewed each month</li> <li>• Learning from deaths</li> </ul> <p><b>Harm Free Care:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Violence and Aggression</li> <li>• Restraint</li> <li>• Self Harm</li> <li>• Observations</li> <li>• Falls</li> </ul> <p><b>SCEA's:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SCEA request numbers submitted over the last 24/12</li> <li>• how have you responded to the SCEA recommendations and learning</li> </ul> <p><b>Medicines related harm</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medication incidents</li> </ul>	<p><b>Medicines</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medicine Reconciliation</li> <li>• Clozapine Monitoring</li> <li>• High dose anti-psychotic reviews</li> <li>• Metabolic assessment</li> </ul> <p><b>Restraint</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Post restraint vital signs monitoring</li> <li>• Post restraint debrief</li> <li>• In-Patient referral to CMHT</li> <li>• In-Patient assessment by CRHTT</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Intelligence from MDT briefings/huddles</li> <li>• Therapeutic engagement activities</li> <li>• Safe staffing levels</li> <li>• Bed occupancy</li> <li>• Patient stories</li> <li>• Unique Care plan</li> <li>• Physical Health Monitoring</li> </ul>	<p>Intelligence from Safety Walkrounds</p> <p><b>Risks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• directorate operational risks</li> <li>• underpinning service risks</li> <li>• controls for identified risks</li> <li>• Identification of any risk when the score has not changed over the last 6/12</li> </ul> <p>Re-admission Rates at 7 &amp; 28 days</p> <p>Delayed Discharges</p> <p><b>Safety Climate</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Intelligence from Patient Safety climate survey</li> <li>• Intelligence from Staff Safety climate survey</li> </ul>	<p>GMC Junior Doctor Feedback Data</p> <p><b>Feedback</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• compliment, concern and complaint numbers</li> <li>• Top 5 complaint themes by Speciality and Directorate</li> <li>• significant individual complaints/themes/ward or departmental complaints identified</li> <li>• actions taken following learning from investigations</li> <li>• learning from SPSO recommendations</li> </ul>



Take a deep  
dive in to your  
projects using  
the framework

# Dr. Jonathan Kirk



Key learnings relative to the frontline implementation of the Vincent framework in Scotland

# Some reflections.....

Dr Jonathan Kirk, National clinical lead  
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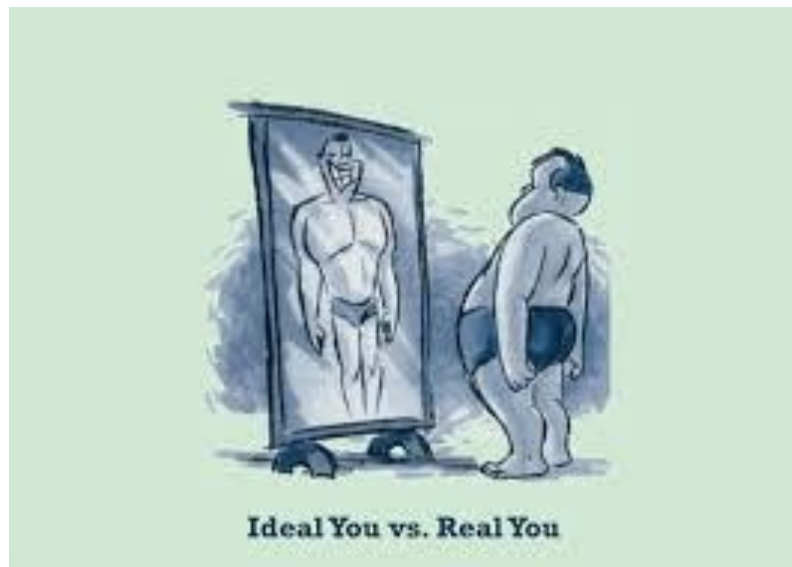


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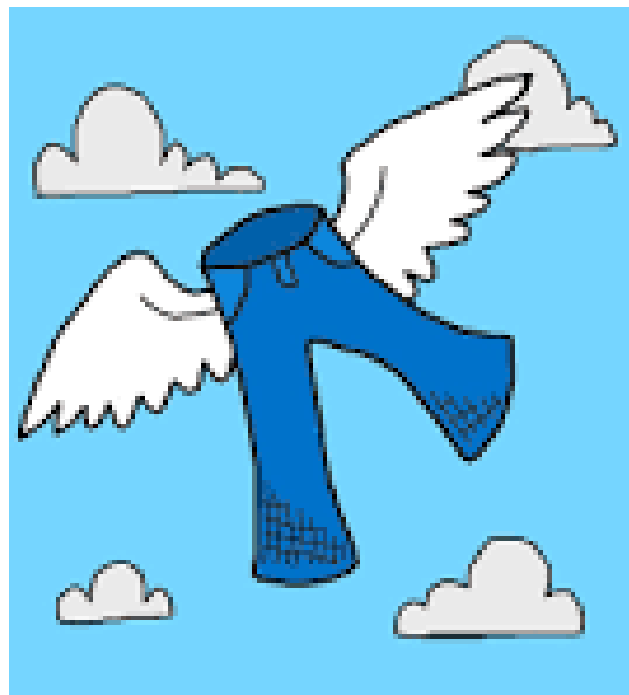
# Reflection 1

‘Not every change results  
in an improvement’

# Reflection 2



# Reflection 3





## Reflection 3b

If I was to walk across a road blindfolded I might be lucky and make it to the other side. However, if I kept repeating it, sooner or later it would likely end badly

# Reflection 4

What is safe?

# Reflection 5

**Collaboration:**

working together for a common objective.



**Cooperation:**

openly sharing, without any *quid pro quo*.

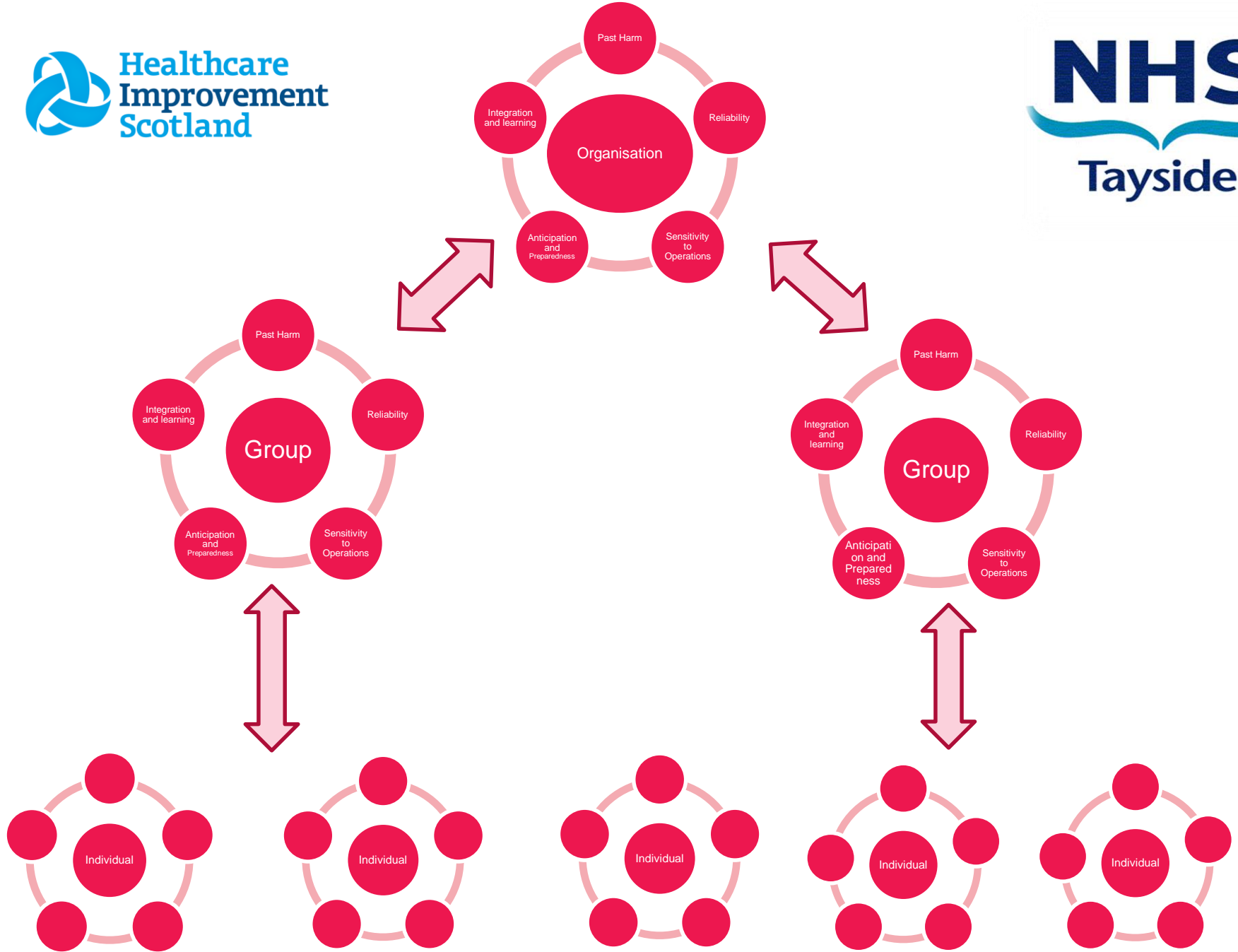
# *decision*

noun

**a choice that you make about  
something after thinking about several  
possibilities**





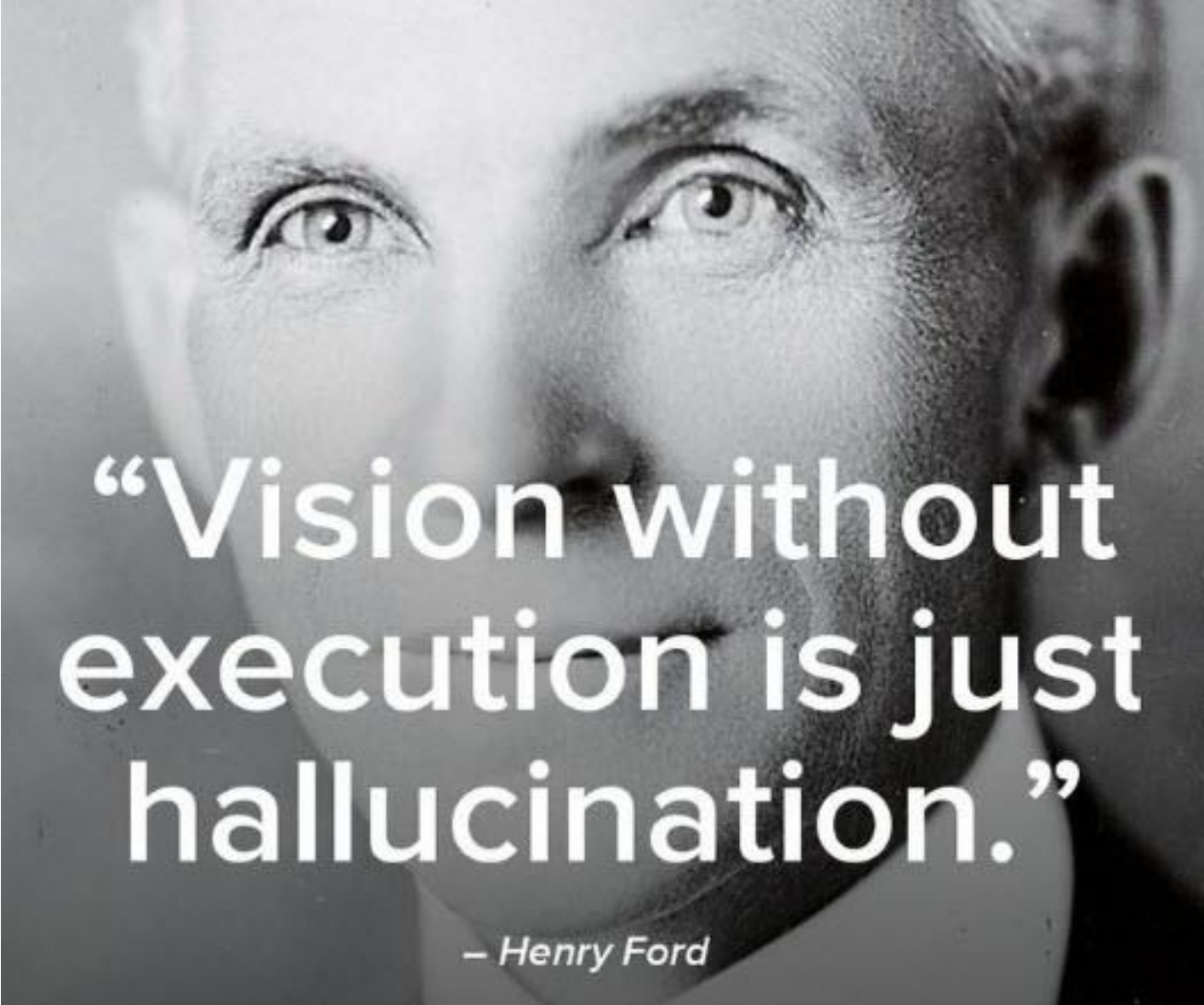


Absence  
of harm



Presence  
of safety





“Vision without  
execution is just  
hallucination.”

– *Henry Ford*

# Dr. Ross Baker



How the framework can be used within the Canadian Healthcare Context

# Questions and Answers



# Poll



# Learn more, access Call Recording and CPSI Contacts

## To learn more about the framework

<http://www.patientsafetyinstitute.ca/en/toolsResources/Measure-Patient-Safety/Pages/default.aspx>

## To access the slides and recording of the call (available in about 5-7 days)

<http://www.patientsafetyinstitute.ca/en/Events/Pages/Implementing-the-Vincent-Framework-at-the-Frontline.aspx>

## To learn more about SHIFT to Safety

<http://www.patientsafetyinstitute.ca/en/About/Programs/shift-to-safety/Pages/provider.aspx>

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