

Monday 8th January 2024

Dear colleagues,

We are writing to you today to remind you of the launch of the Vascular Surgery compartment in the National Consultant Information Programme (NCIP) portal, within the NHS England Model Health System platform.

This launch has been many months in the making, and we are indebted to the hard work of our clinical leads Jon Boyle and Arun Pherwani, working closely with our development team and with vascular consultant beta testers around the country. Thanks to them, we now have a set of high quality, specialty-specific dashboards which give consultants information on their clinical outcomes at a patient level, across their whole practice, reaching back to 2017.

Access to NCIP and the NHS Model Health System (MHS) is free, and our team will be setting up accounts for every vascular consultant in England between 2nd and 5th January. When your account is live, you will receive an email (from noreply@okta.com) welcoming you to the platform. On your first visit to MHS, you will be asked to accept the MHS terms and conditions and to confirm your data preferences, before taking a brief tour of the NCIP portal.

Learn more at our webinar

Our Vascular Clinical Leads, Jon Boyle and Arun Pherwani, will be hosting a webinar with NCIP Chair Sir Norman Williams on 15th January to introduce the new platform, explain some of the key vascular features, and highlight some of the case studies coming out of NCIP's rollout. **You can register for the webinar [here](#).**

In partnership with the Vascular Society for Great Britain and Ireland we have worked to open up access to the portal for every vascular consultant in the country, so that the whole specialty can benefit from robust, nationally benchmarked, personalised data, which meets the [GMC's Quality Improvement guidance](#) and is recommended for use in appraisals.

Developed by clinicians for clinicians, we now have more than 20 vascular procedure dashboards available, displaying high-quality procedure and outcome data to consultants at an individual surgeon level.

Key features include:

- A **'Whole Practice'** view, allowing consultants to see their surgical activity and pseudonymised patient records across all their providers in one consolidated view.
- A **'Clinical Leads'** view, enabling consultants who are specialty clinical leads to view the NCIP data for all consultant peers in their unit, supporting them in their quality improvement role.
- Functionality to export data from NCIP, which can be used to streamline clinical audit and support appraisal meetings as well as providing information for mortality and morbidity meetings.
- Procedure dashboards including venous, thoracic outlet, and vascular access.
- Long term (1 year) outcome data.

Yours sincerely,



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