

DEVELOPMENT OF A CARE BUNDLE FOR MANAGING ACUTE SEVERE COLITIS ON THE ACUTE MEDICAL TAKE - A QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

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A quality improvement project at a Welsh health board developed and implemented an acute severe colitis care bundle that improved junior doctors' confidence and knowledge in managing this condition on the acute medical take.

KEY POINTS

- Initial survey of 25 junior doctors on the acute medical take found 60% did not feel confident managing acute severe colitis, 20% had never managed such patients, and 24% did not know which drugs to administer or avoid.
- After implementation of the care bundle, 100% of 19 junior doctor respondents reported increased confidence and knowledge in managing acute severe colitis.
- All respondents in both pre- and post-implementation surveys believed the care bundle would improve patient outcomes and overall care.
- The project demonstrates that a standardised care bundle can address knowledge gaps and improve confidence among non-gastroenterology doctors managing acute severe colitis on the acute medical take.

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