

NWAS Learning From Deaths Dashboard Quarter 4 2019-2020 (January-March)

Overall Dashboard Description: This is a systematic dashboard that is a combination of those outlined in the guidance as 'must review' and those in the specified sample. These are described in the data-splits in more detail below.

Total Number of Deaths in scope (specified data sample and Datix incidents)*	Total Number of Deaths Reviewed	% Deaths Reviewed	Total Number of Deaths where problems in care have contributed
January	17	5	29.4%
February	20	7	35.0%
March	30	7	23.3%
This Quarter	67	19	28.4%
This Year (YTD)	67	19	28.4%

* Criteria as specified in the 'National guidance for ambulance trusts on Learning from Deaths' (2019) - Where concern raised on quality of care provided where the patient died under the care of the ambulance service (from call to handover), after handover or within 24 hours of initial contact where the decision was to not convey the patient. The sample must contain incidents across the categories outlined in the document.

Figure 1.

Learning from Deaths: Data over time

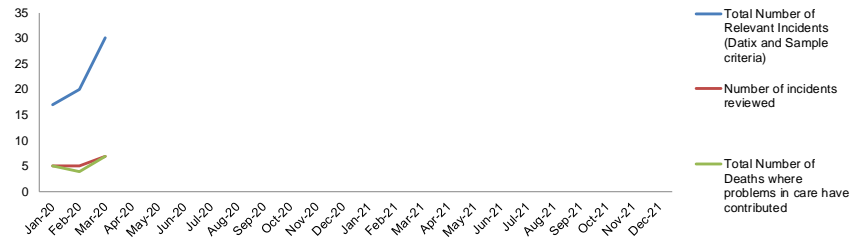


Figure 2.

Those in scope must have died under the care of the ambulance service (from call handling to before handover concludes), after handover (if notified by other trusts of these) or within 24 hours of contacting the service and the decision was not to be conveyed to hospital. This is the first quarterly report, drawing on learning from the previous quarter and so will be an iterative process.

Data source: An amalgamation of both the Datix cohort and the Sample cohort data sources detailed below. Last accessed 19/05/2020.

Datix Cohort Breakdown

Datix Cohort Description: This Dashboard those outlined in the guidance as 'must review'. The 'must review' category is those that have been raised to the organisation and recorded via Datix as being deaths that occurred in our care where there has been concern has been raised about the quality of care given.

Total Datix Death incidents in scope	Risk grading			
	1 or 2	3	4 or 5	
January	9	1	5	3
February	10	1	4	5
March	8	0	1	7
Total	27	2	10	15

Figure 3.

Month	Number of Deaths Closed on Datix	Of those closed, Number of Deaths considered as caused by the incident	Lessons Learned complete for those closed and considered caused by the incident
January	5	5	1
February	7	4	0
March	7	7	0
Total	19	16	1

Figure 5.

Sample Cohort Breakdown

Sample Data Description: A random sample of 40 incidents using the specified criteria from the national guidance. This includes deaths that were classified as requiring a Category 1 or Category 2 response, Category 3 and Category 4 incidents that resulted in deaths and deaths of patients that were not initially conveyed and then the ambulance service was re-contacted within 24 hours.

Incidents used for the Sample criteria	Number of Deaths Reviewed	Total Number of Deaths where problems in care have contributed
January	8	0
February	10	0
March	22	0
Total	40	0

Figure 8.

Quarter 4 2019-2020 Sample Data Breakdown			
Month	C1 and C2 Long waits	C3 and C4 Deaths	24 hr Re-contact Deaths
January	1	2	5
February	0	3	7
March	2	5	15

Figure 9.

Datix Degree of Harm (all in scope including those not yet closed)

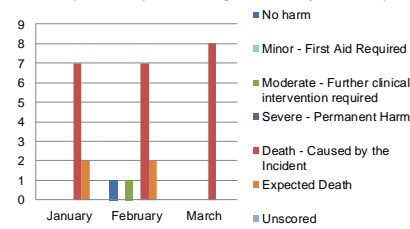


Figure 4.

Datix Category Type (of those reviewed and death determined by the incident)

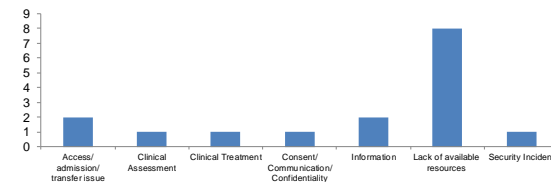


Figure 6.

Datix Sub-Category Type (of those reviewed and death determined by the incident)

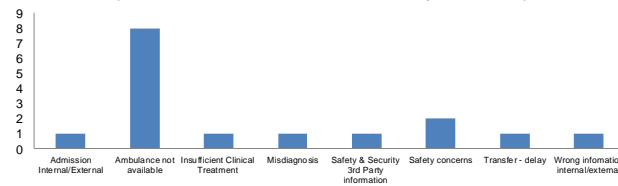


Figure 7.

This is a simple outline of the Datix incidents that fit the cohort using the information provided in the Datix review. This will become more sophisticated as the review training is delivered and the analysis develops.

Currently, there have been no reviews of the sample cohort as there has been no structured judgement review training. This is partially due to framework writer moving roles, staff resource and any potential available training being delayed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Therefore we have no staff trained or available for conducting reviews for Quarter 4.