








Statements of commitment from supporting organisations for the National Safety Standards for Invasive Procedures

	<p><i>The Association for Perioperative Practice (AfPP) believes that the implementation of high-level national safety standards for invasive procedures (NatSSIPs) will support all providers of NHS-funded care to develop and maintain their own, more detailed, standardised local procedures. We commit to the standardisation and harmonisation of clinical practice throughout the NHS and to the development of consistency in education, commissioning and regulation, as we believe that this will significantly contribute to improving the quality, effectiveness, experience and safety of care for patients. More specifically, we commit to ensuring that the standards are incorporated into all professional standards developed by AfPP and support the continued update of the standards as required.</i></p>
 <p>THE ASSOCIATION OF ANAESTHETISTS of Great Britain & Ireland</p>	<p><i>The Association of Anaesthetists for Great Britain and Ireland (AAGBI) believes that the implementation of high-level national safety standards for invasive procedures (NatSSIPs) will support all providers of NHS-funded care to develop and maintain their own, more detailed, standardised local procedures. We commit to the standardisation and harmonisation of clinical practice throughout the NHS and to the development of consistency in education, commissioning and regulation, as we believe that this will significantly contribute to improving the quality, effectiveness, experience and safety of care for patients. More specifically, we commit to ensuring that the standards are incorporated into all professional standards developed by AAGBI and support the continued update of the standards as required.</i></p>
<p>Care Quality Commission (CQC)</p>	<p><i>The Care Quality Commission (CQC) believes that the implementation of high-level national safety standards for invasive procedures (NatSSIPs) will support all providers of NHS-funded care to develop and maintain their own, more detailed, standardised local procedures. We commit to the standardisation and harmonisation of clinical practice throughout the NHS and to the development of consistency in education, commissioning and regulation, as we believe that this will significantly contribute to improving the quality, effectiveness, experience and safety of care for patients. More specifically, we commit to ensuring that the standards are incorporated into all professional standards developed by the (RCOphth) and support the continued update of the standards as required.</i></p>

 <p>CODP College of Operating Department Practitioners</p>	<p><i>The College of Operating Department Practitioners (CODP) believes that the implementation of high-level national safety standards for invasive procedures (NatSSIPs) will support all providers of NHS-funded care to develop and maintain their own, more detailed, standardised local procedures. We commit to the standardisation and harmonisation of clinical practice throughout the NHS and to the development of consistency in education, commissioning and regulation, as we believe that this will significantly contribute to improving the quality, effectiveness, experience and safety of care for patients. More specifically, we commit to ensuring that the standards are incorporated into all professional standards developed by the CODP and support the continued update of the standards as required</i></p>
 <p>General Dental Council protecting patients, regulating the dental team</p>	<p><i>The General Dental Council (GDC) believes that the implementation of high-level national safety standards for invasive procedures (NatSSIPs) will support all providers of NHS-funded care to develop and maintain their own, more detailed, standardised local procedures. We commit to the standardisation and harmonisation of clinical practice throughout the NHS and to the development of consistency in education, commissioning and regulation, as we believe that this will significantly contribute to improving the quality, effectiveness, experience and safety of care for patients. More specifically, we commit to ensuring that the standards are incorporated into all professional standards developed by the GDC and support the continued update of the standards as required.</i></p>
 <p>General Medical Council</p>	<p><i>The General Medical Council (GMC) welcomes the new standards for invasive procedures (NatSSIPs), which will help strengthen the conditions for safe practice and we will seek to promote them in our work with the medical profession</i></p>
 <p>hcpc health & care professions council</p>	<p><i>The Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC) welcomes the new standards for invasive procedures (NatSSIPs), which will help strengthen the conditions for safe practice and we will seek to promote them in our work with the relevant professions that we regulate.</i></p>

 <p>NHS Health Education England</p>	<p><i>Health Education England (HEE) welcomes the publication of National Safety Standards for Invasive Procedures (NatSSIPs). We encourage all providers to use these standards as a guide for creating their own local procedures and believe their implementation will improve safety for all patients.</i></p> <p><i>Through consistent education and commissioning, we encourage the standardisation of clinical practice throughout the NHS.</i></p> <p><i>We commit to ensuring that the standards are built in to all educational activities led by HEE.</i></p>
<p>Monitor</p>	<p><i>Monitor believes that the implementation of high-level national safety standards for invasive procedures (NatSSIPs) will support all providers of NHS-funded care to develop and maintain their own, more detailed, standardised local procedures.</i></p> <p><i>We commit to the standardisation and harmonisation of clinical practice throughout the NHS and to the development of consistency in education, commissioning and regulation, as we believe that this will significantly contribute to improving the quality, effectiveness, experience and safety of care for patients. More specifically, we commit to ensuring that the standards are incorporated into all professional standards developed by Monitor and support the continued update of the standards as required.</i></p>
<p>NHS Employers</p>	<p><i>NHS Employers supports the development and implementation of high level national standards for invasive procedures (NatSSIPs). We know from the work undertaken around human factors that where it is possible to standardise work and provide standard operating procedures for our staff we can reduce error and improve patient safety.</i></p> <p><i>We support this work which we believe provides employers and our staff with clarity around expected clinical standards whilst encouraging more detailed work to be developed at a local level.</i></p> <p><i>The creation of national standards also enable consistency in education, commissioning and regulation which is critical in contributing to the quality, effectiveness, experience and safety of care for patients.</i></p>



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We commit to the standardisation and harmonisation of clinical practice throughout the NHS and to the development of consistency in education, commissioning and regulation, as we believe that this will significantly contribute to improving the quality, effectiveness, experience and safety of care for patients. More specifically, we commit to ensuring that the standards are incorporated into all professional standards developed by Monitor and support the continued update of the standards as required.



NHS Providers believe that the implementation of high-level national safety standards for invasive procedures (NatSSIPs) will support all providers of NHS-funded care to develop and maintain their own, more detailed, standardised local procedures.

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Nursing & Midwifery Council (NMC)

The Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) welcomes and supports the publication of National Safety Standards for Invasive Procedures (NatSSIPs) and looks forward to the production by hospitals of Local Safety Standards for Invasive Procedures (LocSSIPs) that are compliant with the national standards.

The NMC publishes a [Code](#) that details professional standards of practice and behaviour for nurses and midwives. It anticipates that the implementation of the NatSSIPs will further promote key elements of the Code which can be evidenced during revalidation:

- Clear communication*
- Cooperative multiprofessional working*
- The keeping of clear and accurate records*
- Working within limits of competence*
- Raising concerns and acting without delay if there is a risk to patient safety*
- Reducing harm*

The NMC has published [joint guidance](#) with the General Medical Council (GMC) on the professional duty of candour, and recognises that implementation of the standards will support organisations in compliance with this guidance.



The Royal College
of Anaesthetists

The Royal College of Anaesthetists (RCoA) believes that the implementation of high-level national safety standards for invasive procedures (NatSSIPs) will support all providers of NHS-funded care to develop and maintain their own, more detailed, standardised local procedures. We commit to the standardisation and harmonisation of clinical practice throughout the NHS and to the development of consistency in education, commissioning and regulation, as we believe that this will significantly contribute to improving the quality, effectiveness, experience and safety of care for patients. More specifically, we commit to ensuring that the standards are incorporated into all guidelines developed by the RCoA and support the continued update of the standards as required. The standards are also fully supported by the Faculty of Intensive Care Medicine and the Intensive Care Society.








The Royal College of
Emergency Medicine

The Royal College of Emergency Medicine (RCEM) believes that the implementation of high-level national safety standards for invasive procedures (NatSSIPs) will support all providers of NHS-funded care to develop and maintain their own, more detailed, standardised local procedures. We commit to the standardisation and harmonisation of clinical practice throughout the NHS and to the development of consistency in education, commissioning and regulation, as we believe that this will significantly contribute to improving the quality, effectiveness, experience and safety of care for patients. More specifically, we commit to ensuring that the standards are incorporated into all professional standards developed by the AAGBI and support the continued update of the standards as required.

Royal College of Midwives (RCM)

The Royal College of Midwives (RCM) believes that the implementation of high-level national safety standards for invasive procedures (NatSSIPs) will support all providers of NHS-funded care to develop and maintain their own, more detailed, standardised local procedures. We commit to the standardisation and harmonisation of clinical practice throughout the NHS and to the development of consistency in education, commissioning and regulation, as we believe that this will significantly contribute to improving the quality, effectiveness, experience and safety of care for patients. More specifically, we commit to ensuring that the standards are incorporated into all professional standards developed by the RCM and support the continued update of the standards as required.

	<p><i>The Royal College of Nursing believes that the implementation of NHS England's high-level national safety standards for invasive procedures (NatSSIPs) will support all providers of care in England to develop and maintain their own, more detailed, standardised local policies. Importantly these should exist alongside effective workforce planning to ensure the implementation of such policies is possible on the front line of service provision, twenty four hours a day, seven days per week.</i></p> <p><i>We commit to the standardisation and harmonisation of clinical practice and to the development of consistency in education, commissioning and regulation, as we believe that this will significantly contribute to improving the quality, effectiveness, experience and safety of care for patients. More specifically we commit to ensuring that these standards are incorporated into relevant nursing and midwifery products produced by the RCN and to supporting the continued update of the standards as required.</i></p>
	<p><i>The Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists (RCOG) believes that the implementation of high-level national safety standards for invasive procedures (NatSSIPs) will support all providers of NHS-funded care to develop and maintain their own, more detailed, standardised local procedures.</i></p> <p><i>We commit to the standardisation and harmonisation of clinical practice throughout the NHS and to the development of consistency in education, commissioning and regulation, as we believe that this will significantly contribute to improving the quality, effectiveness, experience and safety of care for patients. More specifically, we commit to ensuring that the standards are incorporated into all professional standards developed by the RCOG and support the continued update of the standards as required.</i></p>
	<p><i>Royal College of Ophthalmologists (RCOphth) believes that the implementation of high-level national safety standards for invasive procedures (NatSSIPs) will support all providers of NHS-funded care to develop and maintain their own, more detailed, standardised local procedures.</i></p> <p><i>We commit to the standardisation and harmonisation of clinical practice throughout the NHS and to the development of consistency in education, commissioning and regulation, as we believe that this will significantly contribute to improving the quality, effectiveness, experience and safety of care for patients. More specifically, we commit to ensuring that the standards are incorporated into all professional standards developed by the (RCOphth) and support the continued update of the standards as required.</i></p>

<p>Royal College of Physicians (RCP)</p>	<p><i>The Royal College of Physicians (RCP) believes that the implementation of high-level national safety standards for invasive procedures (NatSSIPs) will support all providers of NHS-funded care to develop and maintain their own, more detailed, standardised local procedures.</i></p> <p><i>We commit to the standardisation and harmonisation of clinical practice throughout the NHS and to the development of consistency in education, commissioning and regulation, as we believe that this will significantly contribute to improving the quality, effectiveness, experience and safety of care for patients. More specifically, we commit to ensuring that the standards are incorporated into all professional standards developed by the RCP and support the continued update of the standards as required.</i></p>
	<p><i>The Royal College of Radiologists (RCR) believes that the implementation of high-level national safety standards for invasive procedures (NatSSIPs) will support all providers of NHS-funded care to develop and maintain their own, more detailed, standardised local procedures.</i></p> <p><i>We commit to the standardisation and harmonisation of clinical practice throughout the NHS and to the development of consistency in education, commissioning and regulation, as we believe that this will significantly contribute to improving the quality, effectiveness, experience and safety of care for patients. More specifically, we commit to ensuring that the standards are incorporated into all appropriate professional standards developed by the RCR and support the continued update of the standards as required.</i></p>
	<p><i>The Royal College of Surgeons (RCS) believes that the implementation of high-level national safety standards for invasive procedures (NatSSIPs) will support all providers of NHS-funded care to develop and maintain their own, more detailed, standardised local procedures.</i></p> <p><i>We commit to the standardisation and harmonisation of clinical practice throughout the NHS and to the development of consistency in education, commissioning and regulation, as we believe that this will significantly contribute to improving the quality, effectiveness, experience and safety of care for patients. More specifically, we commit to ensuring that the standards are incorporated into all professional standards developed by the RCS and support the continued update of the standards as required.</i></p>



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The Trust Development Authority (TDA) believes that the implementation of high-level national safety standards for invasive procedures (NatSSIPs) will support all providers of NHS-funded care to develop and maintain their own, more detailed, standardised local procedures.

We fully support the standardisation and harmonisation of clinical practice throughout the NHS and the development of consistency in education, commissioning and regulation, as we believe that this will significantly contribute to improving the quality, effectiveness, experience and safety of care for patients. More specifically, we commit to promulgating these standards and to support and challenge NHS Trusts in their adoption of them. Moreover we will continue to play our full part, working with the national partners, to maintain and update the standards as required.