



oneTOGETHER Awards

2018 Entry Form

Celebrating best practice to help reduce the risk of surgical site infection.

Showcase your achievements

Educate and inspire

Share best practice

Small actions make a difference

Enter by 30 September 2018



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the power of small actions



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GIANT LEAP AWARD 2018
WINNER NAME



About OneTogether

OneTogether is a partnership between leading professional organisations, who have a shared interest in reducing the risk of surgical site infection (SSI).

The founding partners are:

- The Association for Perioperative Practice (AfPP)
- Infection Prevention Society (IPS)
- College of Operating Department Practitioners (CODP)
- Royal College of Nursing (RCN)
- 3M Company

The partnership aims to promote and support the adoption of best practice to reduce the risk of SSI, through the development of freely available tools and resources.

OneTogether Awards

Surgical Site Infection accounts for more than 15% of all healthcare associated infections, and affects at least 5% of patients who have surgery.

Many clinical staff strive to improve practice to help reduce the risk of patients acquiring a SSI. Often some of the most powerful improvements are a result of small actions, as well as the larger quality improvement projects. The OneTogether Awards have been designed to recognise, celebrate and share best practice in reducing the risk of SSI.

If you have undertaken steps to improve the care of patients undergoing surgery, we invite you to enter the OneTogether Awards today. Whether your actions are big or small, whether you've initiated improvements on your own or involved a wider team, we believe all improvements are worthwhile.

There are two award categories:

- **Small Steps Award:** for an individual or teams that have made small changes in practice to improve surgical care and reduce the risk of SSI.
- **Impact Award:** for teams that have worked on a sustained improvement project to improve care and reduce the risk of SSIs.

Winning entrants of the OneTogether Award will receive an engraved trophy, certificates for all team members and the opportunity to have their work published to help share best practice.

Hints and tips

- Please complete the entry form in full. Entries that do not complete the attached form may be disqualified.
- Use the scoring criteria guidance to help answer each of the set questions.
- The judging panel are most interested in your actions and how they impacted overall outcomes.
- If you have access to any data or metrics which supports the reduction in SSI, please use this in your entry.

Previous winners



Melissa Rochon
Harefield Hospital



The OneTogether Awards are a fantastic opportunity to promote patient safety, improved outcomes and patient experiences following surgery.

Our winning project, Photo at Discharge (PaD), was based upon taking a colour picture of the patient's wound at discharge and providing an assessment and care advice to the patient and carer(s). By determining if a wound is deteriorating or improving, early detection of SSI was associated with an absolute risk reduction of readmission for SSI between 73–86%. We also estimate for every £1 spent, the PaD scheme generates between £1,586 and £2,813 of benefits, during steady-state operation.

Winning the OneTogether Impact Award for our work was an exciting experience and a great reason to celebrate the fantastic work our surgical nurses at Harefield are doing in SSI prevention.

I would recommend anyone to enter, the entry process was very easy, and the win has provided staff with the encouragement and motivation to continue improving patient care and reducing SSI.



OneTogether Award scoring criteria

Each question is scored individually and given a rating between satisfactory, good and excellent ratings. Guidelines are provided below to describe characteristics of a programme that would fall at low, mid, and high ratings on the scale. A total of 500 points are available, and the point allocation for each question is indicated in the scoring table below.

SCORING CRITERIA		SCORE		
Section		Satisfactory	Good	Excellent
<p>1 Why did you select this area of practice for improvement? Describe the background to this improvement work. (50 points)</p>		Provided a limited explanation of the challenges faced within the department/organisation and how this related to the improvement of patient care and the reduction of SSIs.	Provided a moderate explanation of the challenges faced within the department/organisation and how this related to the improvement of patient care and the reduction of SSIs.	Provided an exceptional explanation of the challenges faced within the department/organisation and how this related to the improvement of patient care and the reduction of SSIs.
<p>2 What were the aims and objectives? What were the overall objectives and quantifiable targets of your programme? Did the programme support an overall organisational strategy or goal? (50 points)</p>		Presented limited evidence that the programme has clear and quantifiable targets linked to the challenges faced and/or a wider strategy.	Presented moderate evidence that the programme has clear and quantifiable targets linked to the challenges faced and/or a wider strategy.	Presented exceptional evidence that the programme has clear and quantifiable targets linked to the challenges faced and/or a wider strategy.
<p>3 What actions did you undertake to meet your improvement goals? Did you use any standardised tools or improvement methodologies (e.g. process mapping, PDSAs, OneTogether) How did you prioritise activities? How did you approach implementation? How did you address any critical issues/challenges that you faced? (200 points)</p>		Presented limited information demonstrating implementation of actions for improvement that linked objectives and priorities, and addressed critical issues/challenges.	Presented moderate information demonstrating implementation of actions for improvement that linked objectives and priorities, and addressed critical issues/challenges.	Presented exceptional information demonstrating implementation of actions for improvement that linked objectives and priorities, and addressed critical issues/challenges.
<p>4 How did you engage relevant stakeholders? Who was involved in the improvement work? How did you communicate this? (50 points)</p>		Limited consideration to stakeholder engagement. Little communication across department/organisation limiting exposure of best practice.	Moderate consideration to stakeholder engagement. Evidence of some communication across department/organisation with a moderate exposure of best practice.	Exceptional consideration to stakeholder engagement. Superb communication across department/organisation with an excellent exposure of best practice.
<p>5 How did you measure your results and how did this compare against your objectives? What were the overall results of the project? What did you achieve? What were your overall results in comparison with your objectives? (150 points)</p>		Presented limited evidence that the programme produced the desired, measurable outcomes and that they contributed to an improvement of surgical care and the reduction of SSIs	Presented moderate evidence that the programme produced the desired, measurable outcomes and that they contributed to an improvement of surgical care and the reduction of SSIs.	Presented exceptional evidence that the programme produced the desired, measurable outcomes and that they contributed to an improvement of surgical care and the reduction of SSIs.

Terms and conditions

- 1 Entry is open to healthcare practitioners worldwide. All entries must be submitted in English.
- 2 The entrant/entrant's team must have worked on the activity that is featured in the entry.
- 3 The deadline for entries is 30 September 2018.
- 4 The Awards are judged by the representatives from each of the OneTogether partner associations. A list of representatives can be found at **www.onetogether.org.uk/about/meet-the-board**
- 5 Any entries received which do not complete the entry form in full, will be disqualified.
- 6 You can submit supporting information as attachments alongside your entry form.
- 7 No feedback will be given on individual entries. In all matters, the decision of the judges shall be final.
- 8 Winners will be notified by 19 October 2018. There are two awards available:
 - Small Steps Award – for an individual or teams that have made small changes in practice to improve surgical care
 - Impact Award – for teams that have worked on a sustained improvement project to improve surgical care and reduce the risk of SSI.
- 9 Winning entrants will be invited to present a summary of their activities at the OneTogether Expert Conference 2018 on 14 November 2018. Winning entrants will be automatically allocated two tickets to attend the event.
- 10 The winning entrant's details will be engraved on the OneTogether Award trophy. All significant contributors will receive a framed certificate.
- 11 Winning entries will be published on the OneTogether website to help raise awareness of best practice examples across the health care community. Entries may be subject to editing.
- 12 By entering the OneTogether Awards, entrants agree to be bound by the terms and conditions of entry.



Entrant's information

First name	Last name
Job title	Specialty
Hospital name	Hospital address
City	Postcode
Email	Phone

Team information

You may name up to 5 team members who significantly contributed to the activity detailed in your entry.

Full name	Job title
Full name	Job title
Full name	Job title
Full name	Job title
Full name	Job title

Award category

Please indicate which Impact Award category you wish to enter:

- Small Steps Award: for an individual or teams that have made small changes in practice to improve surgical care
- Impact Award: for teams that have worked on a sustained programme of improvements to help reduce the risk of SSIs

If you are unsure of which category to enter, please leave blank, and the judging panel will categorise your entry on your behalf.



Abstract

Please provide a short summary of your activity, including a description of the situation, objectives and results. (max 250 words).

1 Why did you select this area of practice for improvement?

Describe the background to this improvement work.

2 What were the aims and objectives?

What were the overall objectives and quantifiable targets of your activity? Did your activities support an overall organisational strategy or goal?

3 What actions did you undertake to meet your improvement goals?

Did you use any standardised tools or improvement methodologies (e.g. process mapping, PDSAs, OneTogether Assessment)? How did you prioritise activities? How did you approach implementation? How did you address any critical issues/challenges that you faced?

4 How did you engage relevant stakeholders?

Who was involved in the improvement work? How did you communicate this?

5 How did you measure your results and how did this compare against your objectives?

What were the overall results of the project? What did you achieve? What were your overall results in comparison with your objectives?