

Register for the 2019 UK Parkinson's Audit now

On 18th February, registration opens for the 2019 UK Parkinson's Audit: the recognised quality improvement tool for Parkinson's. Register before 31 March 2019 by visiting: parkinsons.org.uk/audit

The Audit is an opportunity to involve your service in a recognised continuous improvement cycle, and be part of a larger Parkinson's community committed to service quality. With streamlined questions and a new, easy online data collection tool, taking part is easier than ever before.

'Participation in the 2019 UK Parkinson's audit provides a unique opportunity to review our strengths and learning needs across our service, informed directly by our service users. Parkinson's UK will provide you with excellent support throughout the process. Please register for The 2019 UK Parkinson's Audit.'

Miriam Parry, PDNSA.

'Taking part in the audit enables us to highlight excellent services, offering a chance to showcase and support the Excellence Network to further enhance best practice. Working together to build the best services we can.'

Alison Leake, Clinical lead: engagement and best practice, Parkinson's UK Excellence Network.

Getting started

To be eligible to take part, your elderly care or neurology service only needs to collect data from a minimum of twenty patient cases where your service is responsible for ongoing management - i.e. not seen as a tertiary referral or as an inpatient - from 1 May to 30 September, the five-month data collection period.

Specialist nurses can register their service and lead on the audit or work with their referring consultant(s) to participate. The audit questions ask about the care provided to a patient by their Parkinson's service (including their consultant) in the last 12 months. You can view the audit questions on the web site.

The Audit is also open to occupational therapists, physiotherapists and speech and language therapists, so do please also encourage these colleagues to register.

Support and service improvement

Parkinson's UK can support you with the quick and easy Audit registration process. There may also be in-house support available to help you participate in the Audit, which is listed in the 2019-20 HQIP Quality Accounts.

Audit evidence can be used to build business cases and attract service improvement funding. All services receive an Individual Service Report benchmarking their data against UK-wide results, along with dedicated support to develop and deliver service improvement plans, as part of the UK Parkinson's Excellence Network offer.

UK Parkinson's Excellence Network

The audit forms an integral part of the Excellence Network, the one-stop-shop for Parkinson's education, collaboration, evidence and resources to drive forward service improvement.

For further details and a link to the on-line registration form go to:

www.parkinsons.org.uk/audit

or contact

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The deadline for registration is 31 March 2019