The Improving Healthcare Together Compact is a partnership agreement between Healthcare Improvement Scotland and clinicians, and other healthcare professionals, who work with us. It is designed to facilitate a clearer understanding about what we can expect from each other, and to ensure meaningful and sustainable relationships with clinical communities and take forward improvements to patient care.

We believe that active, visible clinical leadership, bringing front-line experience of providing care to our work, is essential to improving care.

**Healthcare Improvement Scotland will:**

- ensure clear and transparent processes are in place to support you to work with us
- share information with you about our work and how our organisation is evolving
- provide appropriate professional leadership from our Clinical Directorate
- provide support for career development and ensure continuous professional development recognition for our activities
- provide engagement and networking opportunities, both within our organisation and at national level, and
- work with you to continually review and improve our approach to engaging with clinicians.

**Clinicians will:**

- provide clear and timely clinical advice to our work ensuring that our recommendations fit locally
- help us identify the key stakeholder groups that should be involved in our work (‘who’ and ‘how’)
- act as an ambassador for Healthcare Improvement Scotland and help communicate our recommendations to the clinical community
- support us in evaluating and measuring the impact of our work
- accept and provide feedback constructively, and
- aim to share, publish and promote the outputs of your work.
Clinical Engagement

Benefits

Benefits to your organisation

- The potential to build capacity, capability and leadership within your team to deliver lasting improvements
- Enabling collaborative working locally and nationally
- National recognition as a healthcare organisation committed to supporting quality improvement
- Efficient and effective way of supporting, developing and retaining staff
- Improvement support to enable clinicians’ to apply their learning to fit their local context after their secondment ends
- Transferable knowledge, skills and experience that can be shared with colleagues locally
- Shared focus on improving healthcare

Benefits to you

- Your contribution is acknowledged and we will provide support for appraisal and revalidation
- Training & skills enhancement opportunities
- Working with colleagues who have a shared focus on improving patient care
- Continue to contribute to professional development and support with your appraisal and revalidation
- Opportunity to contribute and influence at a national level
- Networking opportunities across NHSScotland and beyond

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