1. What is the National Diabetes Inpatient Audit?
The National Diabetes Inpatient Audit is a snapshot audit of diabetes inpatient care in England and Wales. The National Diabetes Inpatient Audit (NaDIA) is part of the National Diabetes Audit, commissioned by the Healthcare Quality Improvement Partnership (HQIP) and delivered through NHS Digital working with Diabetes UK.

2. What does it measure?
The audit aims to answer the following questions;
- Did diabetes management minimise the risk of avoidable complications?
- Did harm result from the inpatient stay?
- Was patient experience of the inpatient stay favourable?
- Has the quality of care and patient feedback changed since the audit began?

3. Has ethical approval been sought?
Ethical approval is not required as there are no patient identifiable questions.

4. When will the audit take place?
The audit must take place on ONE day during the audit week of 25 - 29 September 2017. You will need to decide the one day within this week when you will carry out the audit and communicate this to your staff.

5. Should I register at a Trust or Hospital level?
You should register at hospital level. This will allow the results and local level feedback to show hospital level data.

6. Should the audit day be the same at each hospital within my Trust?
The audit day can be different at different hospitals within the same Trust. It is up to the audit lead at each hospital to decide on which day to conduct the audit.

7. Does each hospital need to have a different audit lead?
The audit lead will be responsible for receiving the audit pack then coordinating the distribution and return of the completed questionnaires. You may wish to have a separate contact for each hospital. However, if you would prefer, you can have one contact to coordinate the audit within the Trust. The most important thing is to ensure that the questionnaires pre-printed with the hospital name and organisation code are used in the correct hospital.
8. **What counts as an ‘inpatient’ for this audit?**
   A patient should be included in the inpatient audit if they have been admitted to a bed for **24 hours or more**.

9. **Can my hospital register to take part in NaDIA?**
   If you have the below wards/units within your hospital then you are eligible to take part:
   - General Medical and Surgical wards
   - Admissions units
   - Gynaecology wards
   - ITU/HDU
   - CCU
   - Short stay (if patients have been admitted for **more than** 24 hours)
   - Observation ward (if patients have been admitted for **more than** 24 hours)
   - Surgical short stay unit (if patients have been admitted for **more than** 24 hours)

10. **Which patients / wards should be excluded?**
    - Patients who are hyperglycaemic but not yet formally diagnosed with diabetes
    - Paediatric
    - Obstetric
    - A&E
    - Day case ward
    - Day surgery unit patients
    - Observation ward (if patients have been admitted for **less than** 24 hours)
    - Surgical short stay unit (if patients have been admitted for **less than** 24 hours)
    - Palliative care centres
    - Community Hospitals
    - Mental Health

11. **Can I share the questionnaires with other hospitals in my Trust?**
    You CANNOT share questionnaires between hospitals. Each questionnaire has been pre-printed with a unique code that relates to that hospital. Sharing questionnaires would prevent the questionnaires being associated with the correct hospital, therefore having an impact upon the analysis and final reports and preventing you from gaining a full understanding of diabetes inpatient care at your hospital.

    Since all questionnaires have been pre-printed with the hospital name and with a unique code, you do not need to write the name of the hospital on any forms.

12. **Will we receive Hospital or Trust level analysis?**
    Each year Hospital Level reports are published providing a comparison of results since 2010.

    All previous audit results can be accessed from
    [http://content.digital.nhs.uk/diabetesinpatientaudit](http://content.digital.nhs.uk/diabetesinpatientaudit)

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We hope these FAQs will help prepare you for the National Diabetes Inpatient Audit.

If you have any further questions, please contact the NaDIA team on [NaDIA@nhs.net](mailto:NaDIA@nhs.net) or 0300 303 5678