

NICE quality standards – the Why, What and How they are used in England

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Val Moore will briefly introduce the current context in England in relation to the role of NICE to produce quality standards, especially the drivers for improvement, levers for quality in the system, and the pressures on affordability.

NICE quality standards – what they are, and how they can be used will be explained. Examples will show how local organisations have used them to improve care.

A few examples of the support NICE provides to help people to use quality standard will be given, including their cost and commissioning implications, and face to face help to embed them into local processes.

Finally NICE is developing a way to capture data on the uptake of guidance recommendations and quality standard measures so that people can understand their impact and help to provide further information on change over time. □