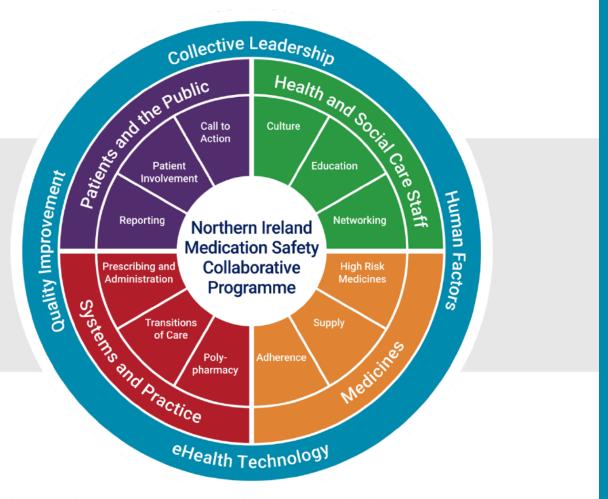


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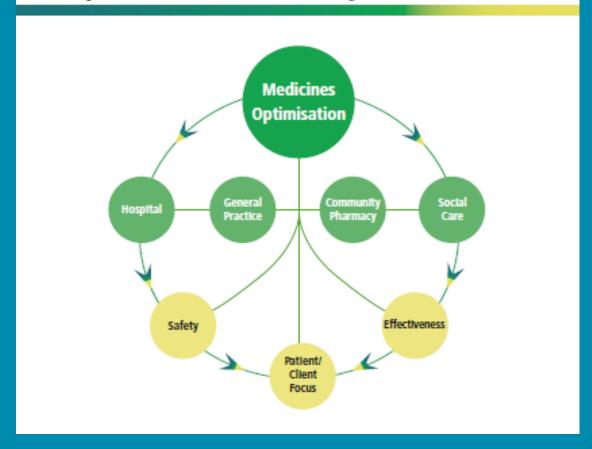
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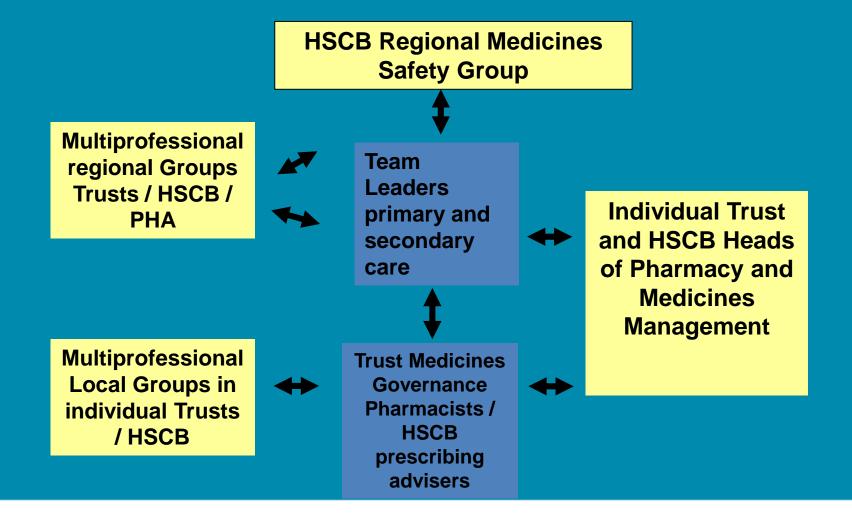


Northern Ireland Medicines Optimisation Quality Framework





NI Medication Safety Structure

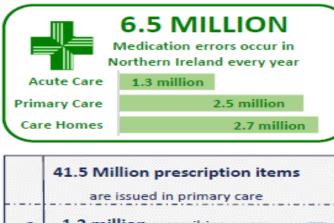


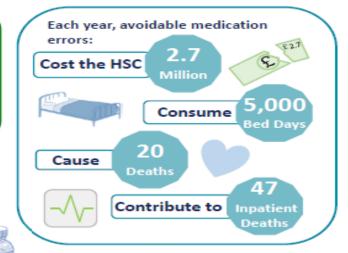


Medication Without Harm

Safer use of Medicines in Northern Ireland







Four drug groups account for more than half of preventable drug-related hospital admissions: **Antiplatlets** HOSPITAL

Diuretics

NSAIDSs

Anticoagulants



1.2 million prescribing errors 900,000 dispensing errors

> 1 in 5 adults are dispensed 5 or more medicines

Half of people over 75 are dispensed 5 or more medicines

33,000 non-elective hospital admissions are due to medicines



4,000 inpatients experience an adverse event due to medicines



What people said...

Prescribed medicine felt fully involved in decisions about the best medicine for them

9 in 10

inpatients understood instructions on how to take their medicine



Launch and Implementation

- Launch
 - 17th September 2020 (World Patient Safety Day)
- Implementation
 - Led by Health and Social Care Board
 - Supported by HSC QI
- Immediate priorities
 - Improving patient engagement "Know, Check, Ask"





