

SSNAP Steering Group: The Intercollegiate Stroke Working Party

The Sentinel Stroke National Audit Programme (SSNAP) is overseen by the Intercollegiate Stroke Working Party (ICSWP).

The Intercollegiate Stroke Working Party (ICSWP) is a group of senior representatives from the professional bodies involved in stroke care, as well as the voluntary sector and patient voice representatives.

The ICSWP meet 3-4 times per year and act as a national expert resource for all aspects of the healthcare and clinical management of people who have had or are at risk of having a stroke or transient ischaemic attack (TIA).

ICSWP roles:

- Producing a [national clinical guideline](#) for all aspects of stroke care.
- Setting up, running, and providing governance and oversight for the Sentinel Stroke National Audit Programme (SSNAP). [Click here](#) for more information about SSNAP.
- Supporting the Stroke Peer Review scheme. More information about the Stroke Peer review scheme can be found [here](#).
- Advising on current and future projects and plans for improving stroke care across England, Wales, and Northern Ireland.

The ICSWP follows the [NICE declarations of interest policy available at this link](#).

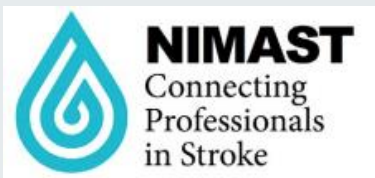
Scroll down for a brief introduction to the organisations that send representatives to the ICSWP.

Which organisations have representatives on the SSNAP Steering Group?

National Representatives

SSNAP collect data from Northern Ireland, Wales and England.

The National Clinical Lead for Stroke for England and for Wales and the Chair of NIMAST are representatives on the ICSWP.



Northern Ireland
Multidisciplinary
Association for Stroke
Teams (NIMAST)



NHS England
Stroke




NHS Wales Stroke



Lay representatives

Patient representatives also attend meetings. Patient representatives ensure that the views of patients, carers, and families are taken into consideration when planning and developing SSNAP projects.

SSNAP Funders

 **HQIP** SSNAP is funded by the Healthcare Quality Improvement Partnership (HQIP). SSNAP's current funding contract runs from April 2018 – March 2023. A representative from HQIP also attends ICSWP meetings.
[Click here](#) for to visit the HQIP patient page.

Who is on the SSNAP Steering Group?



Association of British Neurologists (ABN)

The professional body for Neurologists in the UK. Neurologists are doctors specialised in treating disorders of the nervous system (your brain and nerves).

Association of Chartered Physiotherapists in Neurology (ACPIN)

The professional network concerned with all aspects of physiotherapy related to the needs of people living with neurological conditions. Physiotherapy helps to restore movement and function after stroke through education, advice, tailored exercises, and manual therapy.

British Association of Stroke Physicians

The professional body for Stroke Physicians in the UK. Stroke physicians are doctors with specialist skills in stroke diagnosis and medical treatment.

British Dietetic Association (BDA)

The professional body for dieticians in the UK. Dieticians are experts in diet and nutrition.

British Geriatrics Society (BGS)

The professional body for doctors, nurses, psychiatrists, allied healthcare professionals, and researchers who are specialised in the healthcare of older people (Geriatrics).

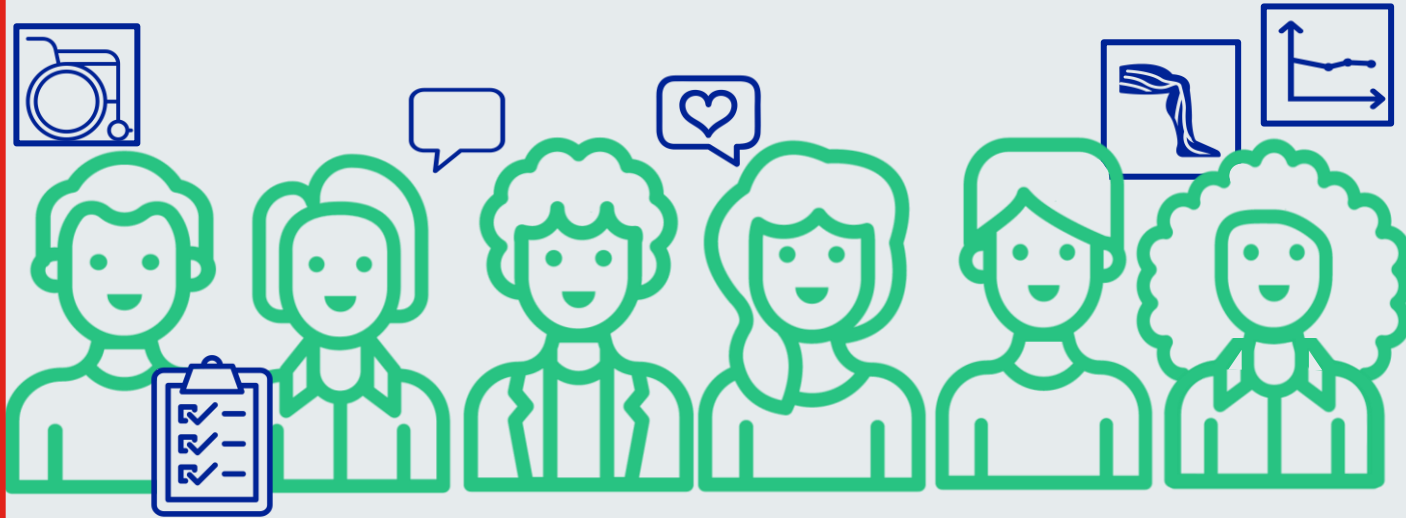
British Society of Rehabilitation Medicine (BRSM)

The BRSM promotes the understanding and multidisciplinary management of acute and chronic disabling diseases and injuries; their personal, interpersonal, and social consequences; and aims to advance public education in these matters.

British Psychological Society (BPS)

The representative body for psychology and psychologists in the UK. Psychologists assess and offer treatment and support for the psychological, cognitive and behavioural consequences of stroke.

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British Society of Neuroradiologists

The professional body for neuroradiologists in the UK. Neuroradiologists are doctors specialised in taking and interpreting medical images (e.g. X-rays, CT scans, MRI scans, etc.) of the nervous system (your brain & nerves).

College of Paramedics

The professional body for paramedics and the ambulance profession in the UK. Paramedics are trained to give emergency medical care outside of the hospital setting.

Getting it Right First Time (GIRFT)

GIRFT is a national programme designed to improve medical care within the NHS by reducing unwarranted variations and sharing best practice between trusts, GIRFT identifies changes that will help improve care and patient outcomes, as well as delivering efficiencies like the reduction of unnecessary procedures and cost savings.

Researcher in Health Economics

Health economics uses economic concepts and methods to understand and explain how people make decisions regarding their health behaviours and use of health care. Health economics provides a framework for thinking about how society should allocate its limited health resources to meet people's need for health care services, health promotion and prevention.

Royal College of General Practitioners (RCGP)

The professional body for GPs in the UK. The Royal College of General Practitioners support GPs through all the stages of their career from medical students considering general practice, training, qualified years, and retirement.

Royal College of Nursing (RCN)

The professional body for nurses, student nurses, midwives, and nursing support workers in the UK (and internationally).

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Royal College of Occupational Therapists / Special Section Neurological Practice (RCOT)

The professional body for Occupational Therapists in the UK. Occupational Therapists help develop, recover, or maintain the daily living and working skills (occupations) of people with physical, mental, or cognitive impairments.

Royal College of Radiologists

The professional body for Radiologists in the UK. Radiologists are doctors specialised in using medical imaging (e.g. X-rays, CT scans, MRI scans).

Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists (RCSLT)

The professional body for Speech and Language Therapists in the UK. Speech and Language Therapists provide treatment, support, and care for people who have difficulties with communication, or with eating, drinking, and swallowing.

Society for Research in Rehabilitation (SRR)

The Society of Research in Rehabilitation (SRR) aims to advance education and research into all aspects of the rehabilitation of people with disability and to disseminate the useful results of such research for the public benefit.

Stroke Association

The Stroke Association (United Kingdom) provide information, support, and advice for stroke survivors. They also fund critical research and campaign to make sure people affected by stroke get the very best care and support to rebuild their lives

Click the icon to visit their website!

