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## **NHS patient safety strategy priorities for leaders and patient safety specialists**

The NHS Patient Safety Strategy encompasses work by many teams. The following list highlights priorities for leaders and patient safety specialists to consider during 2023 and 2024.

Additional detail about each programme's objectives and timescales is available in the updated 2023/24 key deliverables document on FutureNHS. Patient Safety Specialists can also find more detail in the '[Priorities for Patient Safety Specialists \(https://future.nhs.uk/NHSpS/view?objectId=155447781\)](https://future.nhs.uk/NHSpS/view?objectId=155447781)' document, also on FutureNHS.

### **Patient safety culture development**

There are many aspects to a good safety culture and leaders need to play a key role in championing its development. Ensuring a [just culture guide \(https://www.england.nhs.uk/patient-safety/a-just-culture-guide/\)](https://www.england.nhs.uk/patient-safety/a-just-culture-guide/) or equivalent is in place alongside learning from best practice and monitoring safety cultures to identify where work is needed to improve are key actions.

### **Improving the quality of patient safety incident reporting and supporting transition to the Learn from Patient Safety Events (LFPSE) service**

The objective of incident reporting is to highlight opportunities for patient safety to be improved both locally and nationally and to enable that information to be shared. Leaders and specialists should focus on ensuring good quality, timely incident report information is collected and used to inform improvement.

All organisations have been encouraged to transition to the new LFPSE service since the start of its public beta phase and organisations without a local risk management system, such as many in primary care, have been able to use the new service for some time. Organisations connected to the legacy system, the