



<p>National Standards (FKA. Service Specifications)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HART: Pending outcome of 2017 Capability Reviews – first draft for consultation due end of this month. • MTFA: Delayed due to current Ministerial submission to the enhance the capability. NARU will produce an interim set of standards to cover the current capability by the end of this month. No change to existing standards so no consultation at this stage. Just a tidy up exercise (formatting) until we know what the enhancements will look like later in the year. In the meantime, NARU continues to negotiate on enhancement options with DH and NHS England. • CBRN: Draft completed. Consultation delayed while standards are re-costed. The new standards currently require additional investment. Initial meetings being arranged with NHS England to discuss feasibility. • Mass Casualties: Delayed pending commission from NHS England following Ministerial approval to implement the new model. Recent workshop postponed due to winter pressures and N.A.C.C operations. • Command: Drafting completed - currently going through the NHS England Gateway process. NARU will publish these standards in the meantime (in March) so Trusts can start to align to them. 	<p>National Review of Interoperable Capabilities (the Audits)</p> <p>All reviews of Ambulance Trusts are now complete. Each Trust has received their individual compliance reports which have also been submitted to NHS England.</p> <p>The Review Team is now drafting the National Report. This will include an analysis of trends and overall compliance against contractual standards. Unlike the individual Trust reports, this report will make a number of recommendations to NHS England on national contract standards, performance by Trusts and what supportive measures are required.</p> <p>Individual Trusts will not be identified in the national report. There will be no league table but there may be an anonymised comparison table of Trust performance.</p> <p>Throughout 2018/19 NARU will conduct a series of supportive follow up visits to Trusts to support with action plans arising from the reviews.</p>
<p>HART MIBS Position Statement</p> <p>NARU has issued a national position statement regarding the lack of CE Marking on current MIBS technical rescue stretchers used by HART. Download the statement from:</p> <p>https://naru.org.uk/naru-compliance-quality-assurance-cqa/</p>	<p>Safe System Components</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HART SOPs – now in final draft prior to implementation. Operatives are encouraged to continue to test / review them via the Proclus interface. • HART GRPs – these have been delayed to February following important feedback from staff. We are now reformatting the rescue plans into a series of emergency checklists. • HART TISs – completed. They are just awaiting final alignment to the final SOPs. • EDSs – see separate update on this sheet (below). <p>The revised SOPs and their supportive components will be reviewed at the next Operations Group in February with a view to implementing by March 2018.</p>
<p>HART Matrices (F.K.A. the Matrix)</p> <p>Draft matrices have now been published for HART. These are out to consultation. They can be viewed on the NARU website at:</p> <p>https://naru.org.uk/naru-compliance-quality-assurance-cqa/cqa-interoperable-capabilities/</p>	



Drone Developments

NARU has issued a national position statement on the roll out of drones.

Download the statement from:

<https://naru.org.uk/naru-compliance-quality-assurance-cqa/>

Concerns have been raised regarding the level of encryption for download data by 'DJI' manufactured drones. NARU has met with the relevant authorities and has taken the decision to temporarily suspended the roll out of DJI drones under the HART Incident Ground Provisions.

NARU is currently reconsidering the roll out and implementation of drones. This will be debated at the next meeting of the National Operations Group.

New CQA Pages on the NARU Website

We have refreshed the CQA pages on the NARU website to provide more support to those delivering the interoperable capabilities.

The new pages include downloads and interactive videos.

Visit: www.naru.org and navigate to the CQA section.

National Equipment Data Sheets (EDSs)

Draft Equipment Data Sheets have now been produced for 90% of the equipment used in our interoperable capabilities. Most are complete. Some still have some gaps in the data.

To improve and increase access to these sheets, we will be adding a button to the Proclus landing page over the next few weeks. This will provide a search function for all staff with access. You will be able to call up any EDS and review it. If you spot gaps, please help by providing suggested information to any member of the NARU CQA or Capabilities team.

Support to Renewables UK

NARU has been asked to represent the Ambulance Service on a group to develop national guidelines for emergency responses to on-shore wind turbines (and other renewable infrastructure). Nick Spence is leading on this work nationally.

JRCALC Clinical Practice Guidelines

NARU has been asked to review, revise and replace the current 'Special Situations' section of the JRCALC Clinical Practice Guidelines (Section 7).

Update on work to date:

- Complete review of current provisions in Section 7.
- Review of other special circumstances provisions (e.g. the water rescue provisions in Section 2).
- Revised content developed for a new section to include initial actions by Ambulance Responders and the support available from Specialist Capabilities. This will include:
 - The legal duty of care
 - JESIP principles
 - Ambulance command and control
 - STEP 1,2,3 and Initial Operational Response
 - Provisions for Acid Attacks, Individual Chemical Exposure etc
 - Illicit drug laboratories
 - CBRN signs and systems along with nerve agent antidotes
 - Run / Hide / Tell guidance and initial actions for an MTFA event
 - Initial actions for near drowning and water rescue
 - High risk / consequence infectious diseases
 - UK threat levels

It is envisaged that the revised section will be published in the next version of the practice guidelines.

New CQA Publication

This document explains the following:

- How NARU develops national standards for interoperable capabilities.
- How those standards are then incorporated into Ambulance contractual arrangements.
- How the national safe system of work is implemented under these standards.
- What national provisions are provided by NARU to support the maintenance of interoperable capabilities.

NARU is in the process of rolling out all the provisions set out in this document. We aim to have everything in place by the end of March.

Download the publication from:

<https://naru.org.uk/naru-compliance-quality-assurance-cqa/>

NARU will also be providing each mainland Trust with 10 hard copies. These will be delivered at the same time as the forthcoming CR1 exchange visits over the coming weeks. Please ensure that your Chiefs, AEO's, Directors of Operations, Heads of EPRR and Special Ops / HART Managers are provided with a hard copy as well as the PDF version. We are also making hard copies available to the Isle of Wight, Wales and Scotland.

