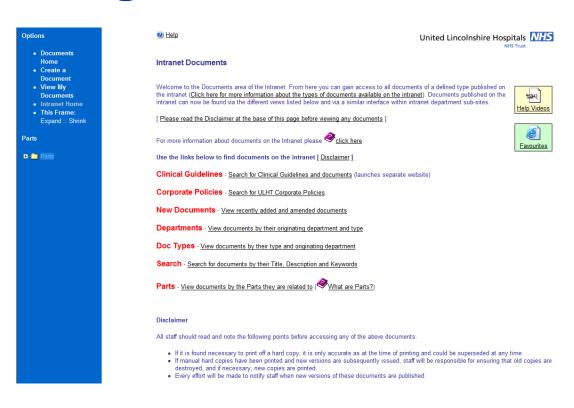
# Supporting your Trust's guidelines and policies

Richard Bridgen



### **Background**

- Complaints
- Common problems
- Why did the library get involved?







#### **Clinical Documents**

Clinical Guidelines/PGDs Quality Governance Clinical Effectiveness Clinical Audit Best Practice Contact Us

#### Clinical Guidelines - Medical

Please find below links to all of the medical clinical guidelines and protocols currently produced within the Trust. A more comprehensive list of medical guidelines will be published in the near future following ratification.

- Allergy
- Anaesthesia
- Breast care
- Cardiovascular
- Critical and Acute Care
- Dermatology
- Diagnostics
- Endocrine and Metabolic
- Gastroenterology
- Haematology
- Infection

- Infection
- Neurology
- Obstetrics/Gynaecology
- Oncology
- Ophthalmology
- Pain Management
- Renal
- Respiratory
- Stroke
- Urology

clinical guidelines search Search

\*\*Where guidelines are past their review date they should be interpreted with caution and you may wish to cross reference with other sources\*\*

#### Guidelines

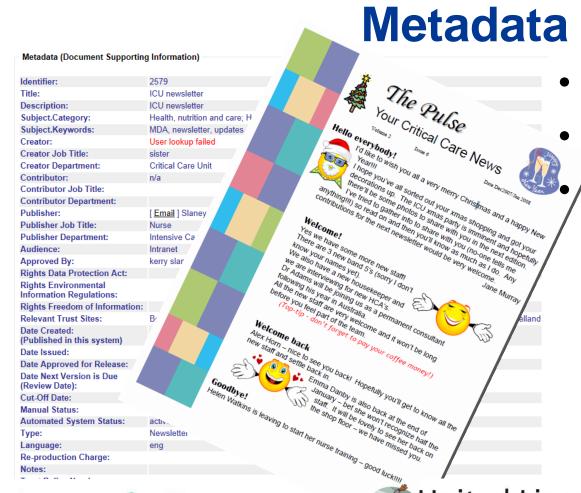
- Blood Transfusion
- Cardiology
- Forms
- Gynaecology
- Haematology
- HIV Testing
- Hospice in Hospital
- Infection Control
- Maternity
- Medical
- Neonatal
- Nursina
- Mid-Trent Cancer Network
- Paediatrics
- Pharmacy
  - Medicines Formulary
  - Shared Care Guidelines
- Resuscitation
- Specialist Rehabilitation
- Surgical

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No categorisation

What's searchable

Lack of keywords and description

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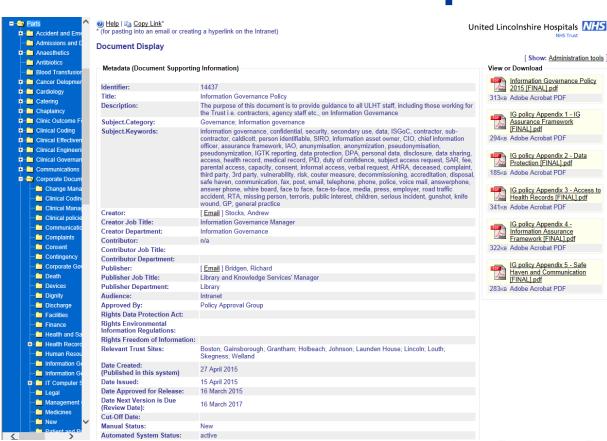
### **Corporate Documents**

- No browse lists or categorisation
- No obvious way of finding documents
- Publishing multiple versions of same document
- Clinical risk/Governance issues
- Too many publishers
- Review



# **Document publishing 1**

Show: Administration tools

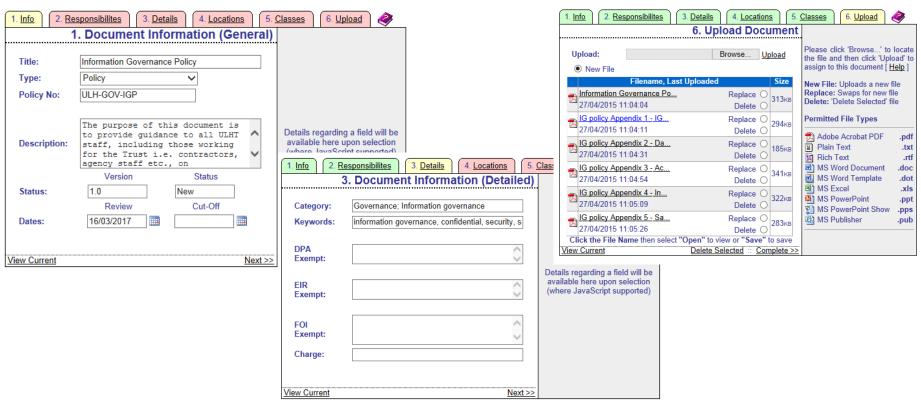


- Multiple docs
- Meta-data
- **Parts**





# **Document publishing 2**



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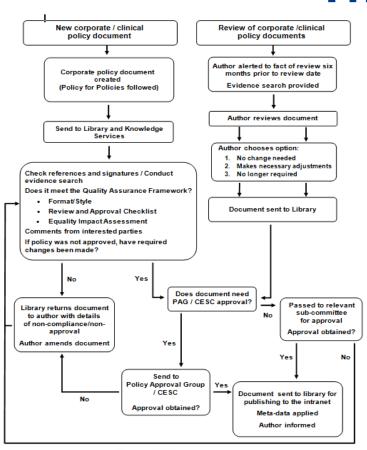


### **Corporate Documents' Review**

- NHLA inspection
- Asked to manage review process
- No system/process
- 6 months' notice
- Evidence searches
- Quality Assurance



#### The Process



- Library sole publisher of documents
- Designed process
- Evidence search
- Incorporated into Trust policies
- Enhanced meta-data
- Quality assurance Checklist / Style
- Final document to approver
- **Publish**

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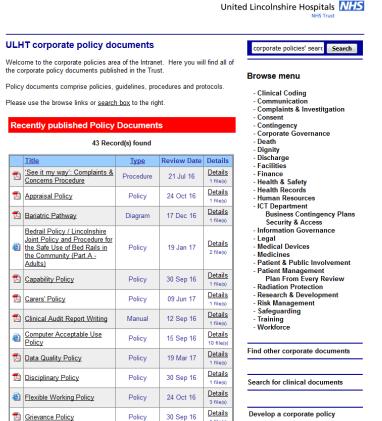




### **Making it Easier**

- Intranet area
- Browse lists
- Search
- Recently published











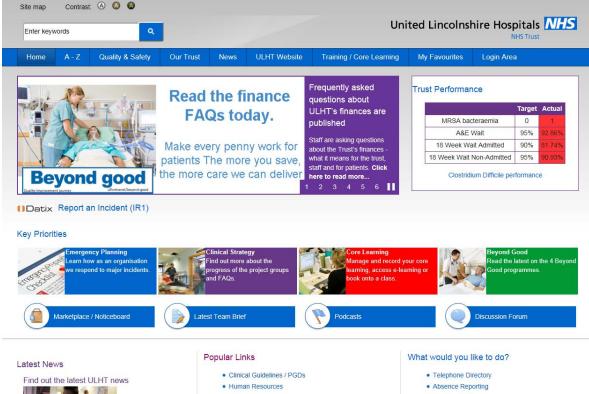


#### Issues

- Chasing
- Tracking
- Authors change jobs/leave the Trust
- Escalation
- Formatting
- Process
- Approval
- EIAs Equality Impact Assessments



### All Change



- New intranet purchased specifically to make finding documents more easily.
- One search box

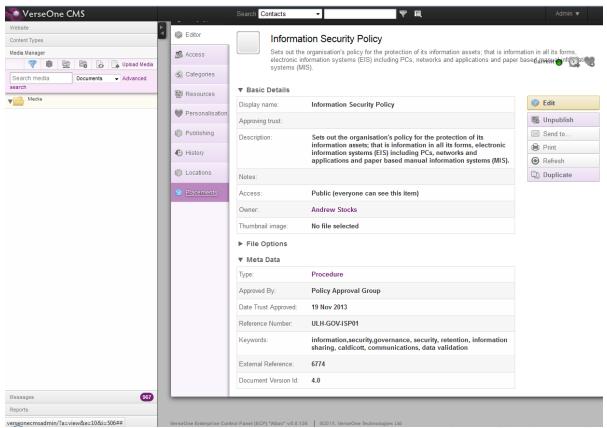


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# **New Intranet – New System**



Simpler Easier to find







### The problems

**Archived documents** 

**Emailed links** 

Meta-data

Virtual documents

Search problems – not keywords or phrases

File locations – folder names

**Embedded links** 

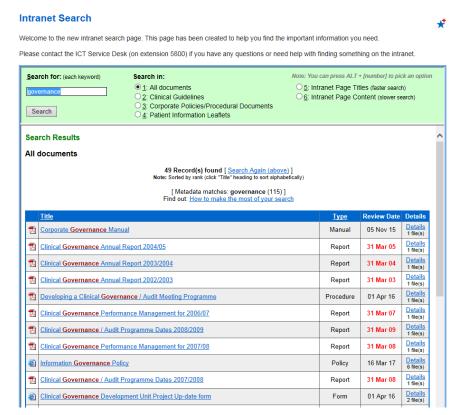






# **CQC** Inspection

- Raised concerns with Medical Director
- Went back to using the old documents system
- Revamped search
- Documents search default











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### **Process – Easy to Find and Follow**

#### **Publishing Corporate Documents**

All you need to know about publishing corporate policies, protocols, procedures, strategies and manuals.

#### Writing a New Documen

- Before you start writing a new document, use this checklist to decide whether you really need to write it. Obtain approval for writing the document.
- If you need to write a new policy use the approved Trust template for the document. There is one for corporate policies and another for corporate procedural documents.
- 3. Use the latest evidence. Library and Knowledge Services can provide an evidence search, or a literature search if required.
- 4. Consult with relevant stakeholders. These may include other departments, directorates or external organisations.
- 5. Obtain approval for the final document. The Policy Approval Group (PAG) are responsible for final approval of corporate policies.
- 6. Send your documents to Library and Knowledge Services via intranet.publishing@ulh.nhs.uk for quality assurance and publishing.
- 7. See Publishing New Corporate Policies and Procedural Documents for details of the publishing process.

#### Updating an Existing Document

Documents must be reviewed every two years, or sooner if new legislation, standards, or guidance necessitates the document being updated.

- 1. Library and Knowledge Services will alert you to the fact that a document needs review six months in advance of its review date.
- 2. The options at review are
- a. Document is no longer required.
- b. No changes are required to the document.
- c. Document needs/has had minor changes
- d. Document needs/has had major changes
- 3. Obtain approval for your chosen option. Send approval email, and if option c or d has been selected, the updated document to Library and Knowledge Services via <a href="mailto:intranet.publishing@ulh.nhs.uk">intranet.publishing@ulh.nhs.uk</a>.
- 4. Document is deleted, published, has its review date extended, or is taken to PAG for final approval.
- 5. See Publishing Updates to Existing Corporate Policies and Procedural Documents for details of the publishing process.



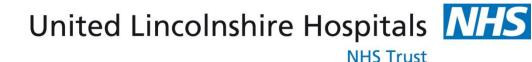






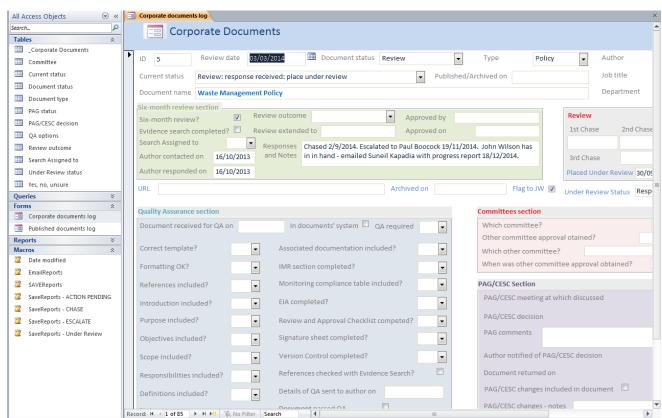
- Flow chart
- Step-by Step New
  - Step-by-Step Review
- NHS England
- Corporate Policy template
  - Clinical Policy template
- Corporate Procedural







# Record Keeping



- Keeping track
- **Emails**
- IT designed database
- Developed own
- **Automated** reports







#### **Patient Information**

**Information Standard** 

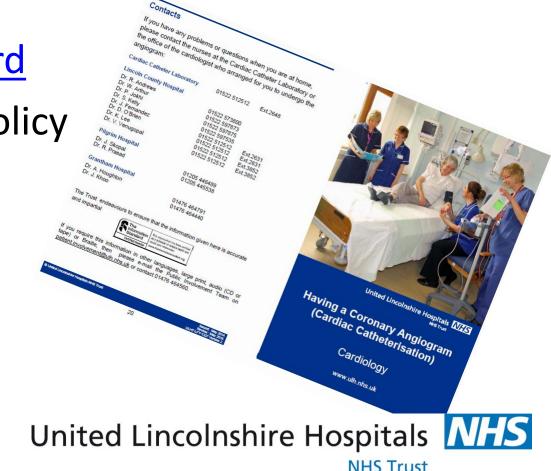
Incorporated into Policy

Flow chart

**Search Process** 

**Evidence searches** 

Review process





### The Future

Procedural documents

Policies risk assessed RAG

Green – dealt with as per procedural documents

Amber – review after 5 years

Red – review after 3 years

Risk grading = Likelihood x Severity (L x S) = Risk Grading, e.g. Possible 3 x Major 4 = 12 (Amber with high severity)

Likelihood					
Almost Certain - 5	5	10	15	<u>20</u>	<u>25</u>
Likely – 4	4	8	12	<u>16</u>	<u>20</u>
Possible – 3	3	6	9	<u>12</u>	<u>15</u>
Unlikely – 2	2	4	6	<u>8</u>	<u>10</u>
Rare – 1	1	2	3	4	<u>5</u>
	Negligible – 1	Minor – 2	Moderate – 3	Major – 4	Catastrophic – 5
	Severity				





# **And Finally**

- Any questions
- Contact details

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