



The Innovation/idea

A nurse and service user chat after completing the HICC / PICC line. Dressing resulted in the following statement: *'There must be a better way than this!'*

Scope of Service

- Scope of service provision re dressing of HICC / PICC lines in community throughout Northern Ireland
- No provision of pack in acute or community for dressing HICC / PICC line in Northern Ireland

Aims

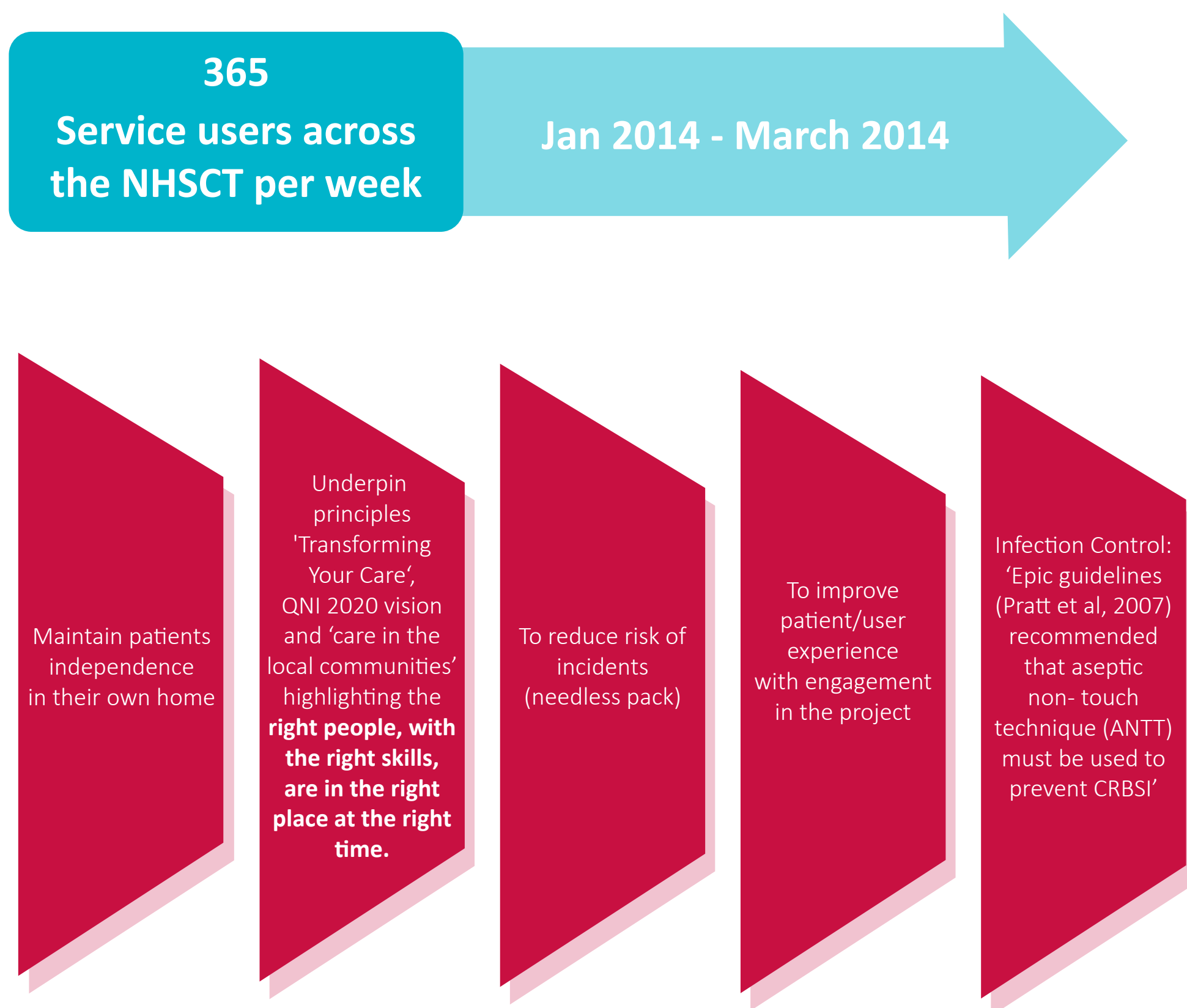
- To improve patient experience of living with HICC / PICC lines
- To enable staff to improve quality of care
- To ensure safe and effective practice in current service

Objectives

- To develop a standardised sterile HICC / PICC line pack to be used in community setting
- To engage with all staff involved in providing care to contribute to the development of the dressing pack
- To contribute to governance procedures for use of dressing pack
- Provide consistent information for patients with HICC / PICC lines

Implementation

- Engagement with Lead Nurse and health and social care Innovation Advisor
- Successful application to QNI for funding
- Engagement with Staff, Service user, Infection Control Nurse, Lead Nurse, Pharmacy
- Engagement with Company / development and implementation of pilot pack



'Service users are much happier with reassurance that the pack is sterile, this gives me greater job satisfaction.'

'Reduces time spent on dressing more time to converse with Service User.'

'Dressing was completed much quicker compared to opening all packets.'

'Feel service more efficient and effective.'



'I'm much happier now it's a sterile pack I'm always afraid of getting an infection!'

'I don't think the dressing takes as long!'

'It's great to have all the items in one place! No more running to the car or the office for you to get dressings.'

All items together I feel its more organised!

'You only have one pack to open and not several!'

Outcomes

- Delivery of care close to home and at home - 'Home is the hub of care'
- Improved quality of life / care for patients with HICC / PICC lines
- Reduction in the possible risk of Community Acquired Infection
- Reduction in patient anxieties, improved patient experience
- More effective time management for Community Nurses
- Standardised pack and procedure across the NHSCT
- Proactive management of healthcare
- Improved nurses confidence with all items in one pack
- Reduction in incidents

