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### **CHKS Top Hospitals 2019 programme award winners announced**

CHKS has announced the winners of its Top Hospitals programme national awards 2019. The awards celebrate the success of healthcare providers across the UK and internationally and include award categories for patient safety, quality of care, data quality and healthcare efficiency. The awards were held in London on the 12th June and hosted by ITV News Medical Correspondent Sue Saville.

The CHKS Top Hospitals programme awards are made each year on the basis of an analysis of publicly available datasets and a number of criteria are used to shortlist trusts.

Northern Health and Social Care Trust was the recipient of the patient safety award for outstanding performance in providing patients with a safe hospital environment. The award is based on indicators including rates of hospital-acquired infections and mortality.

Homerton University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust was the winner of the quality of care award. The award was made on the basis of performance in a number of areas including the length of time patients stay in hospital and rate of emergency re-admissions.

Data quality awards recognise the importance of clinical coding and data quality, and the essential role it plays in ensuring appropriate patient care. This year data quality awards were given to Hull and East Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust (England, Wales and Northern Ireland), Spire Bristol Hospital for the independent sector and the Moorfields Eye Hospital NHS Foundation Trust in the specialist category.

Winner of the healthcare efficiency award was Ashford and St Peter's Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust and Gateshead Health NHS Foundation Trust won the patient experience award. A new award for most improved Trust was given to Salisbury NHS Foundation Trust.

CHKS also celebrates overall excellence in trusts across the UK. The Top Hospitals award is given to the top 40 trusts based on the evaluation of over 20 key performance indicators which cover safety, clinical effectiveness, health outcomes, efficiency, patient experience and quality of care.

In addition, The Children's Trust was the winner of its quality improvement award. This international award is open to all healthcare organisations accredited by CHKS in 2018 and recognises significant improvements in patient care and patient experience as well as staff welfare, safety and morale.

Moyra Amess Director, Benchmarking, Assurance & Accreditation, Capita Healthcare Decisions, said: "These awards recognise hospitals that are safer for patients, more effective and more efficient. Areas which we believe are critical to delivering good patient care and experience. We are delighted that so many award-winning trusts were brought together tonight to acknowledge their hard work and dedication and to celebrate success across the healthcare industry."

[For a full list of the top 40 winners please visit here](#)

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**Notes to editors:**

1. CHKS, part of Capita plc, is a provider of healthcare intelligence and quality improvement products and services. We enable providers and commissioners to make better decisions at patient, service, organisation and population level and deliver sustainable improvements in care quality, patient outcomes and service efficiency along the patient pathway. We know health. Over the last 28 years our team of NHS data experts, clinicians and quality managers have worked with more than 400 healthcare organisations to improve population health.

2. Please visit: [CHKS TH19 indicators](#) to find out more about the indicators used for each award.

3. To follow the awards on Twitter use the hashtag: #TopHospitals19

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