

The impact of the National Safety and Quality Health Service Standards

Creating Safer, Better Health Care

Governance for Safety and Quality in Health Service Organisations



**Three-quarters of
hospital boards**

believe the NSQHS Standards have
improved patient care in their hospitals

Preventing and Managing Pressure Injuries



In Queensland, the prevalence of
hospital-acquired pressure injuries
**has fallen from 4.1% in
2015 (from 7.9% in 2011)**

Blood and Blood Products



The national rate of central
line-associated bloodstream infections
in intensive care units

**almost halved between
2012–13 and 2013–14.**

Recognising and Responding to Clinical Deterioration in Acute Health Care



Cardiac arrest rates in NSW public
health facilities and Victorian hospitals
**have fallen significantly
since 2010**

Preventing and Controlling Healthcare- Associated Infections



The number of methicillin-resistant
Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) bacteraemia
cases occurring in Australian public hospitals

**fell from 505 in 2010 to 389 in 2015,
a 22.9% reduction**

Medication Safety



73% reduction
in serious medication incidents in
South Australia between 2011 and
2015