

## Service Description – Clinical Governance

**Clinical governance is the system through which your organization delivers safe, effective, high-quality patient care.**

It forms a fundamental part of your organization's risk management strategy, by developing processes and procedures to ensure that patients receive the right care, at the right time, by the right person.

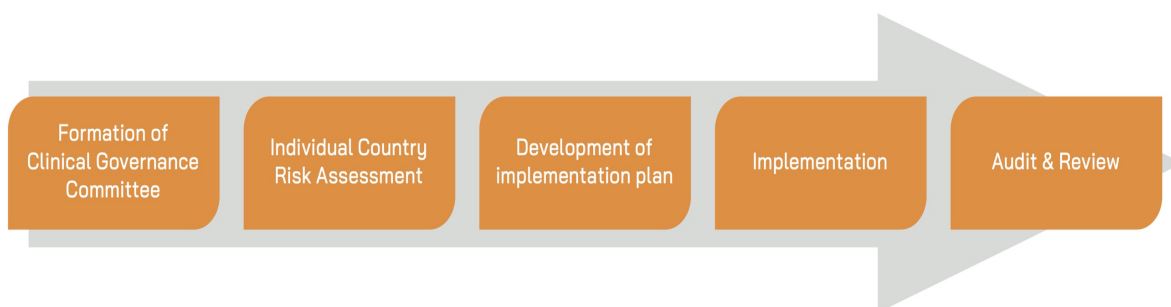
Through a continuous cycle of quality improvement, clinical governance provides high levels of assurance that the care delivered is safe and effective.

### INTRODUCTION

Trauma Resus has been supporting clients to implement a robust clinical governance framework since 2005. Through collaboration and supporting decision making, our aim is to empower your teams to deliver high standards of care, based on your organization's risk profile, to improve patient outcomes and save lives.

The issue of clinical governance can be a daunting task for any organization looking to introduce an advanced first aid standard. We have a number of healthcare professionals within the team who have extensive experience in managing risk and clinical governance, and can provide the expertise necessary to help you on your journey.

The introduction of clinical governance into your organization would take the following steps :-



### ADOPTING CLINICAL GOVERNANCE WITH TRAUMA RESUS

Trauma Resus would appoint a medical director (a consultant grade physician practicing in an acute specialty) and clinical lead (an experienced healthcare professional working within an emergency clinical setting) for your organization, who would be responsible for providing advice and support as well as the clinical input into the governance committee.

Through the development and delivery of the quality improvement plan, the clinical governance committee would be responsible for :-

- Training & education (Trauma Resus is responsible for ensuring the clinical content of the course is evidence based, and in-line with the latest guidelines and recommendations)
- Providing support and advice on all matters relating to first aid
- Incident investigation and sharing lessons learnt
- Equipment selection and use
- Measuring clinical effectiveness
- Risk management
- Auditing the provision of advanced first aid services and providing assurance reports to the clinical governance committee
- Attending safety days and supporting offshore exercises
- Providing expert testimony to any external investigations
- Chairing the quarterly clinical governance committee
- This model follows the standard 5 pillar approach to clinical governance.

