

# Ambulance Patient Safety Project

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The Ambulance Safety Project is a piece of research being led by Prof Matthew Cooke, funded by the DH. We are trying to determine the ambulance services perspective with respect to patient safety.

To achieve this we have undertaken a review of the literature and have interviewed key direction setters; this has led to the production of a questionnaire that will be distributed to all ambulance services, and will be followed up with a Delphi study to determine what ambulance services believe to be the most important priorities.

We also felt it would be a very good idea to try and understand the issue from the perspective of patients. This is the purpose of my visit to London. I am happy to give a brief talk providing an overview of our project, but would also like to engage with members of your forum to identify what patients and other stakeholders believe to be the important issues with respect to patient safety in ambulance services.

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