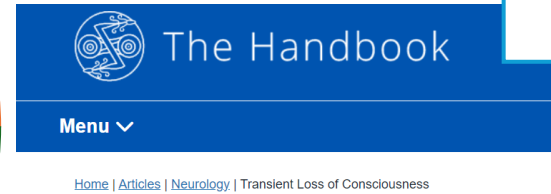
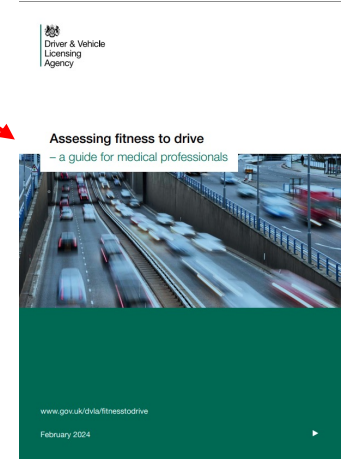


Syncope or seizure? Think DVLA!

Quality Improvement (QI) project to enhance the DVLA advice provided to patients presenting with seizure, syncope, and loss of consciousness
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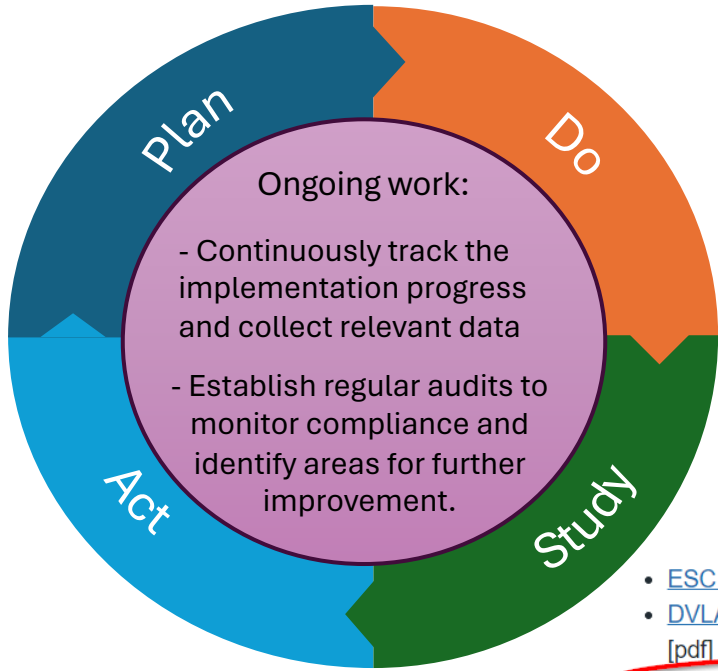
Reflections and learning:

- Transient loss of consciousness (TLoC) or 'blackout' is very common – it affects up to half the population in the UK at some point in their lives. An estimated 3% of A&E presentations and 1% of hospital admissions are due to TLoC
- A more objective advice available on the hospital webpage might improve staff confidence giving DVLA advice
- Future work will focus on iterating on the process based on feedback and data to drive ongoing enhancements in DVLA advice provision

Problem:
 Lacking or inaccurate advice about DVLA at discharge following a seizure or syncopal episode

Project aim:
 Improving the clarity of advice given to patients and reducing the time taken to communicate DVLA requirements

What we did: we followed the PDSA cycle:
 We reviewed past cases where DVLA advice was provided to assess the current process's strength and weakness, then we brainstormed potential solutions in collaboration with the team

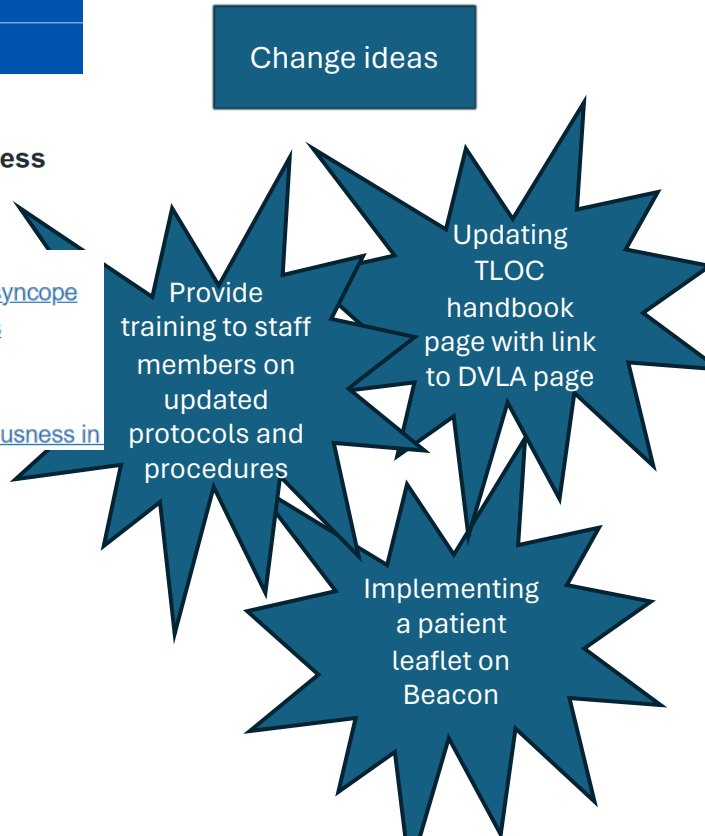


Transient Loss of Consciousness

- [ESC guideline on diagnosis and management of syncope](#)
- [DVLA Current Guidance for Medical Professionals \[pdf\]](#)
- [NHSD&G Driving Advice for Patients](#)
- [NICE Guideline CG109 Transient Loss of Consciousness in](#)

Syncope DVLA leaflet
 Information for patients

Seizures DVLA leaflet
 Information for patients



First cycle results:

