

**Key Achievements and Next Steps for the UK Comparative Audit of
upper gastrointestinal bleeding and the use of blood**

The UK Comparative Audit of upper gastrointestinal bleeding and the use of blood is now closed, and this document summarises the achievements of the audit and outlines the next steps.

The key findings of the audit have been reported elsewhere, and a copy of the report is available from the Project Manager.

Achievements

Key findings presented at British Society of Gastroenterology meeting in early 2008

Papers being prepared for submission in appropriate professional journals.

Next steps

Dr. Sarah Hearnshaw, clinical audit lead has now left NHSBT and has returned to clinical practice in Newcastle. There is no plan to re-audit the topic as part of the National Comparative Audit programme.

The BSG are preparing a revised version of the audit tool which will be available to gastroenterologists as an online audit tool, via the BSG website