

Editorial



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Welcome to another edition of the Journal of One-Day Surgery. In this one we present 4 original articles and a report on a recent meeting on emergency care pathways.

This journal has always sought to present articles relevant to the implementation of new techniques in day surgery. Our past President, Dr Anna Lipp, co-authors 2 papers on new developments in urology (Al Khadi et al, page 32 and Rochester and Lipp, page 37). Both show how new developments in conjunction with appropriate pathways improve day case efficiency and patient care. The opportunity for enhanced tariff is attractive.

Regional anaesthesia continues to change the face of surgery. Shoulder surgery is one such area which was previously difficult in this regard. Prasad et al (page 43) show good results which are sustainable in day surgery reducing the need for overnight stays.

Wright et al (page 45) present their results of a recent study using the QoR-9 instrument. Whilst limited by size the study did allow a new patient information booklet to be developed. The authors rightly point out the need for further studies.

This edition goes out before the British Association of Day Surgery Annual Scientific Meeting in June 2017. I look forward already to seeing the original abstracts and presentations along with the keynote presentations and workshops put together by the BADS team and hopefully then definitive papers to follow. With the Brexit vote during last years conference and now an upcoming general election imminently I'm sure we'll have plenty to discuss!

See you in Southport!