

# CASC's SHORT CLINICAL AUDIT HISTORY

**1989**  
WHITE PAPER



The *Working for Patients* White Paper was published. This 'officially' marked the introduction of 'medical audit' into the NHS.

**1993/4** - There is no official date but phraseology started to change from medical to clinical audit as nurses started to join with doctors in conducting projects.

**Late 1990s** - Regional and national audit projects start to evolve to supplement work carried out by local staff

**1997**  
CLINICAL  
GOVERNANCE

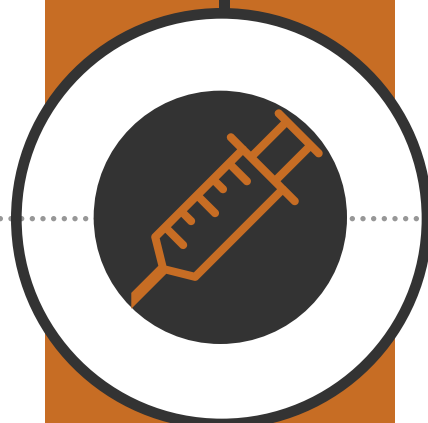


The White Paper *New NHS: modern and dependable* introduced clinical governance with clinical audit at the very heart as one of 7 pillars

**2000** - NAAG founded, now known as NQICAN

**2002** - *Principles for Best Practice in Clinical Audit* published. Introduction by NICE states 'a mixed record for audit' (David Pink, Audit Programme Director)

**2006**  
REINVIGORATION



Sir Liam Donaldson (NHS Chief Medical Officer) makes landmark statement that 'both national and local clinical audit need to be reinvigorated'

**2007** - National Clinical Audit Advisory Group set up to advise Department of Health on clinical audit

**2008** - Healthcare Quality Improvement Partnership awarded five year 'reinvigoration' contact. Renewed 2013

**2012** - Audit made formal component of medical revalidation