Overview
Research suggests that networks contribute to healthcare improvement by providing a forum for experimentation and creating knowledge, exchanging information and spreading good practice. However, not all networks are equally effective and it can be difficult to measure their impact.

The Improvement Fellows Programme was created to further expand on existing opportunities for peer learning and support across north east and north central London, south and west Hertfordshire, south Bedfordshire and south west and mid Essex.

The programme is open to individuals working in health and care organisations and aims to tackle the barriers to improving the quality of health and care and outcomes for patients, through creating connections.

Results / impacts
A growing, active and engaged network, currently comprising 88 members.
Consistent positive evaluation of the learning sessions.
Increased engagement in the wider opportunities offered by UCLPartners.
300% increase in applications from 2016 to 2017.
Evidence of increased cross-organisational improvement work led by fellows.

The AHSN’s role
UCLPartners designed and launched the programme in 2015. The 12-month programme, now in its third year, features:
• Learning sessions on a variety of improvement topics
• Access to learning resources and training
• Action learning sets
• Formal and informal networking opportunities.

Adoption and spread
The programme has a strong reputation which UCLPartners are building. New cohorts will continue to be recruited on an annual basis. The next stage is to work with the alumni of the first two completed cohorts to ensure the momentum is not lost.

Find out more
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