Combating Swine flu with Information: a case study of managing virtual knowledge-base during H1N1 pandemic in England



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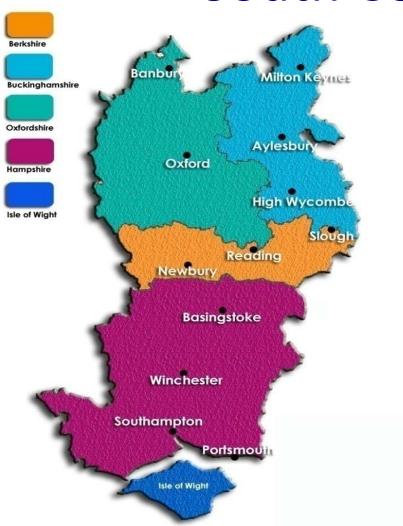
- Project Background
- Role of 'Content Manager'
- Challenges
- Counter attack (strategies)
- Survival of the fittest
- Tricks & tips



#### SHA South Central

- 10 Strategic Health Authorities in England
- South Central SHA for 5 counties
- 8 Primary Care Trusts, 11 hospitals
- One ambulance trust, 3 Mental Health Organizations, 1 Orthopaedic Hospital
- 95,000 staff including clinical, non-clinical

# South Central SHA



#### **Key Facts**

- Four million population
- Around £6 billion is spend collectively in 24 organization in the region
- 400,000 planned hospital admission per year

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#### H1N1 Pandemic

- Global Pandemic by WHO until Aug, 2010
- Estimation of 65,000 deaths in UK
- 6,000 patients & 279 deaths until Jan, 2010
- Media campaign
- Public Fear



# **Counter Strategies**

- South Central SHA Response
  - a. Flu Control Room
  - b. Regular Monitoring
- Flu Response platform
  - a. for accessing information
  - b. communication across wide geographical area



# **Content Manager**

- Unique job description
- Training
- Global & local updates
- Interface design
- Content structure
- How can I help?

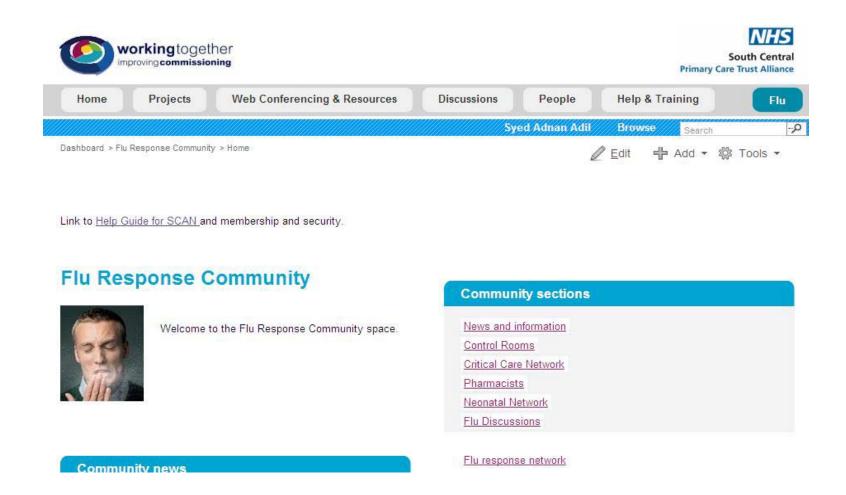


#### How to score a Goal

- Using technology
- Evidence based practice ?
- Professional forums
- Communication skills
- Jumping into the sea



# Virtual Knowledge-base



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A (H1N1) swine flu influenza: phase two of the vaccination programme; children over 6 months and under 5 years

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Swine flu: updated quidance for mental health services Publication Date: 26 November, 2009

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# Tricks of the trade

- Understanding information needs
- Content organization skills
- Resources evaluation
- Can do approach
- Learn as you go



#### Conclusion

For us, there is only the trying.

The rest is not our business.

(T.S. Eliot)





# **THANK YOU**

# Please don't ask difficult questions

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