# Implementation of Safewards: A qualitative systematic review guided by i-PARIHS





# Background

Safewards is an increasingly spreading evidence based model that by use of ten separate interventions aims at establishing a violence preventive ward culture, co-created by both patients and staff. Results reported on the reduction of conflict and containment when implementing Safewards in psychiatric inpatient settings vary from no reduction to up to 69 %. Due to the complexity of the model, challenges with regards to the implementation process is often described.



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### Aim

The aim of this study is to review the literature on Safewards implementation strategies used in clinical practice and clarify key facilitation factors by use of implementation science theory.

## Methods

A systematic literature review will be conducted including original qualitative papers describing and evaluating the implementation of Safewards. Data will be deductively coded using the i-PARIHS (integrated-Promoting Action on Research Implementation in Health Services) implementation framework and based on the framework's theoretical constructs of innovation, recipients and context. As a final step a qualitative content analysis will be conducted to identify recurrent patterns in the data.



## **Expected outcomes**

This study will contribute to a theoretically founded understanding of barriers and facilitators when implementing Safewards. For both clinicians and researchers, this may be helpful when planning for and evaluating the effects of the model in clinical practice.







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