

Antimicrobial Expert Advisory Group (AmEAG) Agenda with outcomes

Thursday 25 May 2023: 2pm – 4pm held virtually via MS Teams

1: Recognition

Item 1.1	Progress review Led by Chair	Time of item 10 minutes
Description	Recommendations agreed at last meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Antimicrobial Resistance Alliance - ACTION: RPS team to arrange a call between MG and PH with PB to discuss – <i>still to be completed</i>• https://bsac-kaw.co.uk/ ACTION – <i>To update going forward</i>• ACTION – <i>Gather further ideas for website and meet with RPS Communications to review (WAAW discussion) UPDATE: to discuss further with RPS Comms, MG to take away</i>• ACTION – <i>PD to take forward to National Boards how to improve this and get more impact (WAAW discussion) TO UPDATE</i>• ACTION: <i>MG to discuss with PD around RPS interaction with AMEAG and reflective discussions (Role of RPS discussion) To UPDATE</i>	

APOLOGIES

Frances Garraghan, Pretty Ramdut, Rakhi Aggarwal, Stephen Hughes

Jacqui Sneddon

Parastou Donyai

IN ATTENDANCE

Mark Gilchrist (Chair), Diane Ashiru-Oredope, Ceri Phillips, Louise Dunsmure, Phil Howard, Kieran Hand, Conor Jamieson, Aaron Brady, Avril Tucker, Kirsteen Hill, Nicholas Reid

Alisdair Jones, Rafi Jamil

Lauren Ross, Rebecca Braybrooks (notes)

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2: Relevance

Consider tabled items, consider future areas of interest for the next six months and consider longer-term horizon scanning.

Item 2.1	Welcome and introductions Led by Chair	10 minutes
Purpose	To introduce new members and existing members.	
	Introductions were heard from the group to the new Board member representatives, who also gave brief introductions. Notes from the last meeting were approved.	

Item 2.2	PoC Testing in Wales Led by Avril Tucker	20 minutes
Purpose	To update on the PoC testing work happening in Wales.	
	The group were shown slides and given a round up of the current pilot project happening in Wales – Slides to be shared. Discussions and questions from the group were heard including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Across Europe there's a lack of consistency for criteria how is this being considered/ what is the base line? 	

Item 2.4	AmEAG discussion Led by Chair / Kieran Hand	20 minutes
Purpose	NHS England is promoting the concept of the “shortest effective course” and promoting shorter courses of antibiotics, especially in primary care. Can RPS help in promotion?	
	<p>This item was heard before Item 2.3.</p> <p>The group were shown some Prescquipp slides, they showed an encouraging trend towards shorter courses.</p> <p>Discussions around the group included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Messaging a hard sell when health professions not doing the right thing, it was attempted previously. How easy is the message to get across? - Needs to be linked in with Antibiotic Amnesty - Look at already prepared information and try to re-use this where possible eg. Keep antibiotics working campaign - Educate patients on expected outcomes, manage expectations – validity comes from having the prescription not the length of course - Educate patient to question doctors on course lengths <p>ACTIONS/ IDEAS for KH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Attend RPS EAGs for community pharmacy and primary care pharmacy o Create a short video of key messages o Develop a one-page (infographic?) o Communicate duration of symptoms, as well as duration of treatment o NHSE collating the evidence to demonstrate safety of shorter durations 	

Item 2.3	Penicillin De labelling Led by Phil Howard	20 minutes
Purpose	To update on and ask what can be done on this to raise awareness.	
	<p>The group received PH slides discussing this work. Asked to review the questions on slide 21 and feedback any ideas. The group isn't being asked to fix situation only to raise awareness of it. 28th September 2023 is Penicillin Allergy Day – how can AmEAG/RPS help to raise awareness of this going forward,</p>	

Item 2.5	Highlighting areas of interest and sharing good practice Led by Chair	15 minutes
Purpose	To share areas of interest between AmEAG and RPS	
	RPS completed FIP AMR education case study on behalf of AmEAG (this was shared before the meeting was held and will be published later in the year)	

Item 2.6	Summarising key actions Led by Chair	10 minutes
Purpose	To summarise key action points and ask for any agenda items for next meeting. <i>Date of next meeting: Thursday 28th September</i>	

3. Additional Information

The following information has been shared with advisory group members:

What	When
Invitation to share a case study on antimicrobial resistance and stewardship education	05/05/2023
EAGs - National Board member representation	30/03/2023
Invitation to contribute and cascade: Updating the Antimicrobial Prescribing and Stewardship (APS) Competency Framework	27/03/2023
RPS rejoins FIP	13/03/2023
For Action: Review of Antibiotic Guardian Pledges	27/02/2023
AmEAG meeting – agenda items request	19/01/2023

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