

**Hospital Expert Advisory Group Agenda with outcomes**

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2023 14:00-15:30 to be held virtually via MS TEAMS**

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Roger Fernandes (Chair), Ahmed Alnagar, Susan Gibert, Tracy Rogers, Ravijyot Saggu, Rahul Singal, See Mun Wong, Nicola Greenhalgh, Stuart John Evans, Holly Stokes, Eilis Rahill, Matthew Prior (Deputy Chair), Melinda Cuthbert, Graeme Richardson, Oweikumo Eradiri, Richard Bateman

Aisling Considine, Xavier Holland, Aimee Tandoi

Brendan Jiang, Thorrun Govind

Marcia Reid, Minna Eii, Wing Tang, Melissa Dear, Rebecca Braybrooks

**1: Welcome, apologies and matters arising Led by Chair (5mins)**

Progress review	
<b>Description</b>	<p>Recommendations agreed at last meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Invite Sue Ladds (SL) to present on aseptic services and commission – next meeting 2024</li> <li>• Define priority metrics for national use – keep same methodology – RS/SL bring back to next meeting (2024)</li> </ul>

**APOLOGIES**

Melanie Bryan, Benjamin Hannah, Raliat Onatade

Claire Anderson, Rhian Lloyd-Evans, Josh Miller, Jill Swan

**2: Emergency Planning (EP) Team in Hospital Pharmacy Teams Led by Aisling Considine (20mins)**

<b>Purpose</b>	To hear about the role of Emergency planning and what learning can be adopted in hospitals.
	<p>HEAG were given an update covering the role of emergency planning and how it fits within hospital and covers things like strike action, natural disasters, ambient temperatures etc. At King’s have introduced multimodal education: continuity plan training given via different mediums such as paper, video, simulation, via e-mediums and face to face.</p> <p>Questions that were discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Pharmacy needs to be involved in discussions from the start. Investment is required for training. Sustainability - temperatures excursions with climate change and how can we take this forward – one set of advice/ key recommendations rather than everyone continually looking things up.</li> <li>- Emergency planning teams- how is staff response measured? Those that go the extra mile, the additional response people give. How or is this considered going forward can it be considered?</li> </ul> <p>The Chair thanked Aisling for coming to present to HEAG on a very interesting topic.</p>

**3: COVID Vaccination update Led by Xavier Holland (20mins)**

<b>Purpose</b>	To hear an update on the current COVID vaccination programme.
	<p>HEAG were presented with an update on the current COVID vaccination programme. Highlights from the system, it's the busiest start to a campaign, tripled the estate in SE London with 600+ vaccination sites.</p> <p>Questions discussed –          Why was COVID vaccination started before new variant vaccine was released? Most vulnerable should still be covered by all vaccines.          Software is bespoke but commercially available – Palantir Foundry.</p> <p>The Chair thanked Xavier and Aimee for a thought-provoking presentation and discussion.</p>

**4: Media enquiry: Sky News on Blackpool Victoria Hospital Stroke Unit trial Led by Chair and Melissa Dear (15mins)**

<b>Purpose</b>	To discuss a response to the Sky News request. See attachment 2.1 for information.
	The group discussed this in detail and came up with an appropriate response to this request and will submit as and when required.

**5: RPS updates (20mins)**

<b>Purpose</b>	<p>Updates from RPS teams on the following subjects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Standards – Greener pharmacy standards (<b>Led by Minna Eii</b>)</li> <li>• Prescribing – (<b>Led by Marcia Reid</b>)</li> <li>• Virtual Wards, Error reporting, Homecare (<b>Led by Wing Tang</b>)</li> </ul>
	<p>HEAG heard a brief update on the work that has been completed on Greener Pharmacy Standards that started in March 2023. This is being completed on behalf of NHS-E by RPS to develop a guide and toolkit for sustainability. The guide has been divided into hospital and community sections. The open consultation will be starting in October – will ask all to share widely.</p> <p>HEAG were given an update on the prescribing project. This was presented by Marcia Reid. Looking at member proposition, reviewing what prescribing pharmacists want and progress so far.</p> <p>HEAG heard an update on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Homecare standards, these have been refreshed as were a decade old and very timely. These are now out for public consultation. Please do complete and share if you can. Thank you to those that have contributed.</li> <li>- Interim virtual wards standards, work on these started in April of this year and these have now been drafted. They will be launched in October, without going to open consultation. Thank you again to those that have been a part of these.</li> <li>- Error reporting standards have been drafted, gone out to consultation and now reviewed following this. The draft has been revised and will be put to the task and finish group, it maybe put out to consultation again if needed.</li> </ul>

**6: Summarising Key Actions Led by Chair (10mins)**

<b>Purpose</b>	To summarise key action points and ask for any agenda items for next meeting.  <i>Date of next meeting: 2024 dates to be agreed</i>
	The Chair thanked everyone for their time and thought-provoking discussions.  2024 dates will be scheduled and if there are any agenda items people would like to add please do send them in.

**7: The following information has been shared with HEAG Chair or members in 2023**

<b>What</b>	<b>When</b>
RPS HEAG Thursday 21st September 2pm - call for agenda items	07.09.23
FW: Reminder: HPS Basel Statement Update in Brisbane – Invitation to Participate	31.07.23
FW: 02755-2022 - Colin Vincent GREENWAY - Regulation 28 Report FYI HEAG and AmEAG	25.07.23
RPS Greener Pharmacy Standards - request for HEAG to review	25.07.23
RE: You are invited to a Digital Experiences workshop	22.06.23
RE: NCRS user research interviews	19.06.23
You are invited to a Digital Experiences workshop	12.06.23
HEAG meeting agenda with outcomes and presentations 18.05.23	05.06.23
FW: Radiology Enquiry - email for HEAG	15.05.23
RPS HEAG meeting 18.05.2023 agenda plus ROS conference info	10.05.23
European Association of Hospital Pharmacists (EAHP) 2023 Shortage Survey	03.05.23
Your Feedback on Health Committee inquiry topics – Team England	27.04.23
Reminder - Outpatients Recovery and Transformation Programme - Summit and Clinical forum details	26.04.23
Health and Social Care Committee roundtables on pharmacy, 4 and 15 May	25.04.23
Request - Outpatients Recovery and Transformation Programme - Summit and Clinical forum details	06.04.23
Published - Assurance of aseptic preparation of medicines	23.03.23
RPS Professional standards for the reporting, learning, sharing, taking action and review of incidents - steering group invitation	01.03.23
HEAG Agenda with outcomes and presentations and Future of Virtual Wards Survey	27.02.23
For Action: Review of Antibiotic Guardian Pledges	27.02.23
Comments on sector interest in the HSJ (Health Service Journal)	01.02.23
HSIB report and summary on Detection of jaundice in newborn babies	26.01.23

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