

Annual Report

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THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE UK CLINICAL PHARMACY ASSOCIATION: PART II

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Chair's Report

It has been a busy year as the demerger of the Royal Pharmaceutical Society (RPS) and General Pharmaceutical Council (GPhC) bedded in and the NHS reforms have really started to bite. It will not have escaped anyone's attention that the NHS is going through a period of unprecedented change, not only in the nature of the change, but also in the pace of the change, and the political ramifications of the Bill continue to rumble on. There are some interesting developments with regards to pharmacy education too, with the formation of Health Education England and the Modernising Pharmacy Careers (MPC) workstreams. UKCPA has already been heavily involved in MPC and it is important that we continue to engage with these programmes as they move forwards.

The impact of the economic downturn will undoubtedly hit UKCPA members as well and with education and training budgets coming under even more pressure than before, we might expect reduced attendance at UKCPA symposia and Masterclasses. With this in mind, we need to be ready to think about how we might do things differently in order to remain viable and to provide good value to our members at a time when money is tight. Having said that, when we benchmark ourselves against commercial training providers, I have no hesitation in stating that based on feedback from the events that we run, UKCPA can compete with the best of them, and give better value for money. We must maintain these standards.

We have some important decisions to make about the structure and set up of UKCPA as well. During the next 12 months will have robust discussions about the strategic direction of UKCPA, whether we proceed as we are or move to charitable status, and how we deal with the economic downturn. We have already discussed the concept of developing a more commercial arm of UKCPA – 'UKCPA Consulting' - which will improve our interaction with the pharma industry and hopefully offer us a new source of income generation for the Association, and of course its members. In 2012-13, we will formally launch our research bursary scheme which will see UKCPA provide funding for projects that UKCPA members will be able to bid for.

Given the departure of Dorothy from the UKCPA office, we additionally have important decisions to make about the staffing structure of UKCPA and what is required to take the Association forwards. On a personal note, I would like to thank Sarah Carter, UKCPA General Secretary, for her excellent work behind the scenes, and also Marie Matthews, Sharon Cherry, Sally Dewsbury and Alison O'Carroll, without whom the UKCPA simply would not work. The Trustees of the Association, particularly the Chair, Chris Acomb, also deserve a mention of thanks.

Highlights of the last 12 months include awarding the 2011 Clinical Leadership Award to Anna Murphy and the prestigious Lifetime Achievement award to Gillian Hawksworth. Both are deserving winners, great role models, and continuously provide inspiration and example to those following behind.

The UKCPA specialist groups continue to grow and thrive. For example, the Critical Care Group is well down the road of providing a model for professional recognition that could serve as the template for the rest of the specialist groups to follow. Furthermore, the Infection Management Group continues to influence at a national level, and is building on its strategic relationship with the

Federation of Infection Societies. These are just some of the many examples of UKCPA being at the forefront of clinical practice. Across the specialist groups, there is a visible increase in engagement with NICE and other organisations and this has resulted in UKCPA members influencing a number of national guidelines. To find out more, I commend the Group Annual Reports to you (page 16 to 46) and would encourage you to look through them. The range and number of activities and publications listed in the reports is impressive.

We continue to work with our partner groups, most notably on the prospect of professional recognition and professional curricula development. We have also grown our good working relationship with the RPS by collaborating on other projects, including the development of hospital pharmacy standards. This was something that we brought to the attention of the RPS as a key priority when we first met Helen Gordon, the RPS Chief Executive. As the published standards are largely broad in terms of detail, there is an opportunity for the UKCPA and other specialist groups to help provide evidence, examples of best practice and the detail that can support hospitals in attaining these standards.

As my time as UKCPA Chair comes to a close, I would like to thank the many people who have supported me through the past two years, particularly Sarah Carter, my fellow Leadership Development Group members, Chris Acomb, Gillian Hawksworth and the Trustees, the UKCPA General Committee members, and Marie, Sharon and the UKCPA office. I have received a number of kind words of support and encouragement from many of you who will be reading this and I thank you for those too. It's been an honour and a privilege and I will forever treasure my time as Chair of the UKCPA. It is a wonderful association, with great values, and most of all, a fantastic cohort of members. Finally, I wish my successor, every success in their time as UKCPA Chair.

Dr Chris Green
Chair, UKCPA 2010-2012

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Trustees Report

Trustees: Chris Acomb, Nina Barnett, Vincent Cronin, Paul Evans, Gill Hawksworth, Philip Howard

All the Trustees have continued to work closely with the General Committee, providing advice and support where necessary. We have helped the UKCPA Officers in representing UKCPA on a number of working parties and will continue to promote UKCPA. In addition we are reviewing how the Trustees can contribute to the functioning of UKCPA in the future.

This year we have explored the possibility of moving UKCPA to a charitable status or to some form of Social Enterprise Company. We have had a brief consultation with a solicitor who advised us that new legislation was likely to come onto the statute books in the near future that may prove helpful to us. He advised us to obtain Trustees insurance, which we have obtained.

If anyone is interested in joining the Trustees or has any questions relating to UKCPA please feel free to contact us.

Chris Acomb
Chair of Trustees
April 2012

General Secretary's Report

COMMUNICATIONS

1. In Practice

In Practice continues to be a quarterly publication from UKCPA to its members. It is published in January, April, July and October each year, and includes UKCPA Group activity reports as well as national and international professional initiatives that UKCPA as an organisation is involved in. It is a key communication and marketing tool for the Association and also serves as a mechanism for distributing information about forthcoming events and awards.

Over the last 12 months we have been investigating the possibility of paid advertisements in order to supplement the cost of producing and posting *In Practice*. In the April 2012 issue we included a half page advertisement from Baxter. It is our intention that advertisements will be kept to a minimum so that they don't intrude on the content of the publication.

The updated look of *In Practice* has received positive feedback and we will continue to strive to make it an enjoyable and informative member benefit.

2. In Focus

In February 2011 we introduced the e-bulletin In Focus. During the financial year of 2011-12 there have been six issues. These are produced by the General Secretary and uploaded to a members-only area of the website, with members informed of each release via email.

It continues to focus on individual members rather than UKCPA-wide issues, and is more responsive than *In Practice* due to its frequency and shorter lead-in time.

Approximate release dates are as follows:

- Late February
- Early May
- Early June
- August
- Early-mid November
- December

3. Website

The new website went live in September 2011 and is now housed on a server hosted by a website development company.

Despite testing phases, we unfortunately had various unforeseen issues and functionality problems, which we know have affected the user-friendliness of the website, particularly the online discussion areas.

The time taken by UKCPA staff to resolve these issues and respond to member enquiries was more than expected, and our initial web developer was not able to resolve the problems. We

therefore took the decision to contract a website development company who have been working through the issues since December 2011. Phase 1 of the development work was completed in December 2011 and Phase 2 will be completed in April 2012.

Major issues are/were as follows:

- Initial logging in issues
- Members not receiving emails
- Difficulties joining and leaving online discussion groups
- Areas to post messages confusing
- Text in email notifications not useful
- Search facilities not intuitive
- File size restriction on document uploads

We very much appreciate the patience of UKCPA members while we have worked through these issues and hope that the functionality of the website is now much improved.

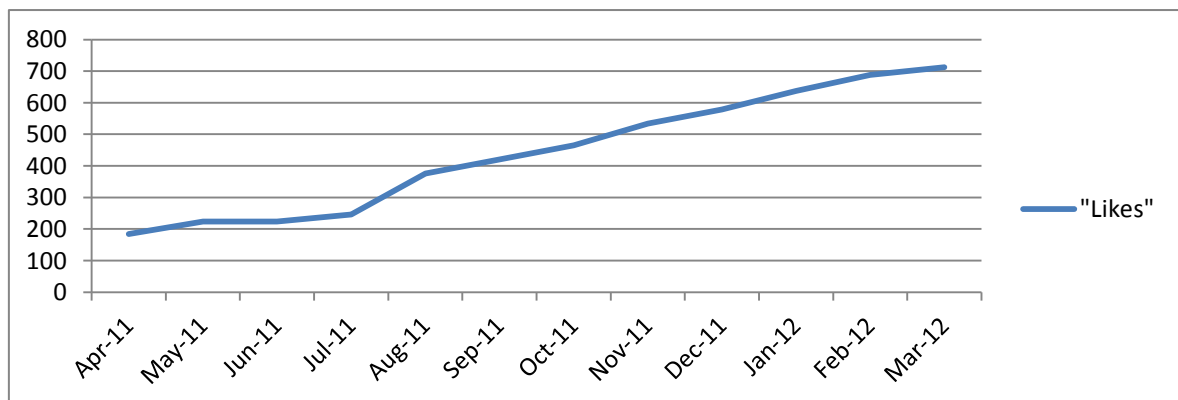
We plan to start Phase 3 developments later in the year, which will involve minor stylistic and formatting issues and allowing easier administrative access and updating.

4. Social media

4.1 Facebook

We continue to use our Facebook page as an additional communication and marketing tool, particularly for non-UKCPA members and international audiences. We primarily post messages about forthcoming events and activities that our members or Groups, or the Association as a whole, is involved in. We additionally use it more informally as a repository for photos from events.

As of 29 March 2012, 715 people have indicated that they 'like' the Facebook page (this creates a link to the page so that they receive updates), a steady increase since we started the page in early 2011 (see Figure below). Monthly active users hover around 400.



The majority of users are in the 18-34 age bracket, with 247 people coming from the UK, and the remainder from other countries. We have a large following from Egypt (117) and the East (55 from Pakistan, 31 from Iraq, 30 from Jordan and 27 from India). There are also users from

14 other countries. There is clearly an international interest in UKCPA and this is something that UKCPA will consider investigating further in the coming year.

3.2 Twitter

As of 28 March 2012 we have 281 followers of our Twitter account. This is a marked increase on the previously reported number of 181 in October 2011. Twitter tends to rely on regular tweeting of snippets of information, either daily activity or links to other sources of information. We are not able to regularly tweet due to both time constraints and lack of relevant daily activity, but this activity does not take up a lot of resources and so it is something that we will continue with for the foreseeable future.

5. Member surveys

Three member surveys have been conducted in the financial year 2011-12. Headline results and action points are listed below:

5.1 Conferences

Feedback: Barriers to conference attendance are cost and time

Action: Continue webinar series with Royal Pharmaceutical Society
Conference keynote talks to be available after conference
Promotion of day delegate rates for conference to enable personal choice of accommodation
Reduced day delegate rates
Seek member views on location of conferences
Promotion of UKCPA events as good value compared with similar events

Feedback: Value research and clinical content

Action: Consider ways to increase attendance at posters
Continue striving for high quality research-related oral presentations

Feedback: Increased appreciation for poster presenters

Action: Chair to formally thank poster presenters at several points during conference
Poster markers to try to give verbal feedback/advice to presenters at conference

5.2 Awards

Feedback: Members are aware of awards and think the rewards are sufficient. However, there are perceptions that awards aren't relevant to particular areas of practice, that they are onerous to apply for, and that members do not think their work is of sufficient quality to win.

Action: An Awards & Abstracts Task & Finish Group met in October 2011. As well as discussing ways to increase awareness of awards, they reviewed the whole abstract submission process. They recommended that the processes for conference abstracts and award abstracts are linked so that there is only one application, and that the abstract guidelines are simplified. We increased the resources and support available to members and have a dedicated section on the UKCPA website, with guidelines,

top tips, and a template for posters. This was put into place in time for the May Joint Conference in 2012 and we saw an increase in award submissions.

5.3 Catering for different levels of practice

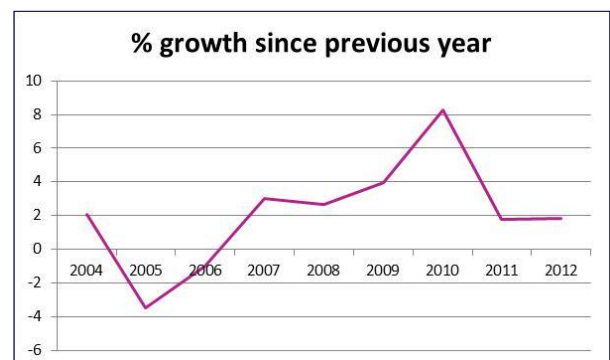
In February 2011 we released a survey to our members asking if our current level of provision and opportunities was adequate for them, in terms of their current level of practice. We also suggested some new training events around personal skills and professional skills and invited potential interest. The results of this survey are yet to be analysed.

MARKETING

6. Membership and event attendance

As of 31 March 2012 UKCPA has 2341 members. This is a 2% increase on the previous year's figures.

We have seen growth in membership since 2005, although the last two years have seen a slowing down in growth. With membership of the professional body now being voluntary, coupled with the recession and accompanying salary freezes, our members are thinking carefully before renewing their membership with us. But the figures suggest that they are still valuing and choosing UKCPA membership.



Since our last annual report we have held two more successful conferences. The GHP/UKCPA Joint National Conference was held in May 2011 in Nottingham. This was attended by 239 delegates. The UKCPA Autumn Residential Symposium in November 2011 was held in Leicestershire and was attended by 192 delegates. These figures are very slightly down on last year (delegate attendance for 2010 was 246 and 200 for May and November conference events respectively), but understandable due to NHS education budget cuts.

In addition to these large meetings, we also held 12 one-day Masterclasses and a Weekend Residential School in the financial year 2011-12. A total of 396 delegates attended these events, an increase of 15% on last year.

7. Conference stands

UKCPA have had conference stands at the BPSA Annual Conference, the College of Mental Health Pharmacy Conference, the Yorkshire Local Practice Forum and the RPS Annual Conference. Interest at all these events were high and it is a great opportunity for us to directly talk to practitioners about the benefits of UKCPA and gather ideas and suggestions for improving services and meeting needs.

8. New media

There has been increased marketing via new mediums such as Facebook, In Focus and the RPS/UKCPA webinar series. However, it is difficult to tell what impact this is having in terms of increased member numbers and event attendance.

9. Early years practitioner special rate

In a meeting with Ryan Hamilton, BPSA President, in August 2011 we raised the possibility of a reduced member rate for early years practitioners who are ex-BPSA members. BPSA were fully supportive of this. Therefore, starting in May 2012, ex-BPSA members who join UKCPA within 3 months of their GPhC registration will get a 50% reduction of their annual membership fee for the first year.

BPSA will actively promote this offer to their members, and Pfizer have offered to promote this to all the pre-registration trainees they see.

10. Member retention strategy

In 2011 we conducted some analysis of member attrition rates, with the limited data available. Around 10% of members leave UKCPA each year, the majority of which are relatively new members (2 or 3 years). This percentage is about average for member associations, but nevertheless there are actions we could take to prevent or reduce this.

Some actions have been proposed to more actively engage new members, which include:

- Upon joining, collect data on specialist areas of interest, member benefits they expect to enjoy, and their expectations on joining UKCPA
- Upon joining, collect data on expected level of involvement/activity in UKCPA (passive, event attendance, interest in committee work): enables targeting of information and builds pool of volunteers.
- Personalised communication at various stages of membership, asking for feedback and level of satisfaction: upon joining, month 1, month 6, month 11.
- Ensure our member benefits are relevant and useful to all levels of practice, particularly early years practitioners.
- Set up new member Group on website to facilitate communication and invite feedback.
- Monitor message boards for topics of interest to early years practitioners.

These actions will be implemented over the coming months, and attrition rates will be monitored.

11. International membership

There is an opportunity to promote UKCPA outside the UK. We have recently had more interest from international colleagues, for example in attending conferences or invitations to speak to pharmacists abroad. We will actively investigate the potential international market over the coming months.

12. New UKCPA logo

After the General Committee agreed to consider an updated logo for UKCPA, we invited logo design ideas from members in August 2011. We had a surprisingly good response, and we subsequently invited our members to vote on their preferred design. Unfortunately, there was no clear winner and the General Committee has agreed to take a pause in the process to consider our next steps.

EDUCATION

13. Webinars

There have now been five webinars delivered by UKCPA and hosted by RPS:

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| July 2011 | Bridging the gap between primary and secondary care By the UKCPA Care of the Elderly Group Live event attended by around 80 participants |
| July 2011 | Cystic Fibrosis By the UKCPA Respiratory Group Live event attended by around 60 participants |
| September 2011 | Portfolio Building By Helen Middleton and Mark Borthwick Live event attended by around 120 participants |
| October 2011 | Delivering the new community pharmacy contract: Essential cross sector communication By Gill Hawksworth and Chris Acomb Live event attended by 46 participants |
| November 2011 | Influenza: What you need to know By UKCPA IMG, UKCPA Critical Care and Gul Root (Department of Health) Recorded event, viewed online 396 times |

These webinars are free to view for UKCPA members, and indeed have been viewed hundreds of times. They are available on the website: www.ukcpa.org/events/webinars

Future webinars on diabetes and asthma are planned for Spring/Summer 2012.

14. Joint events

After a meeting with the Primary Care Pharmacists Association (PCPA) in September 2011, we have developed a joint Primary & Secondary Care Interface Day involving UKCPA, PCPA and the RPS. This will take place in June 2012.

15. International events

In May 2011 we were approached by a healthcare event organisation, the MCC Group in Abu Dhabi, investigating the possibility of UKCPA delivering events to UAE pharmacists. Since then Hasanin Khachi from the UKCPA Respiratory Group delivered a session on COPD in November 2011, and Rani Khatib spoke on adherence issues in February 2012.

PARTNERSHIP WORKING

16. Professional recognition (credentialing)

In June 2011 Duncan McRobbie and Mark Borthwick gave oral evidence to the Modernising Pharmacy Careers panel and reported on UKCPA activity regarding professional recognition processes.

Additionally, a Partners meeting was held in January 2012 to discuss gathering evidence of effective models of professional recognition. A working group is taking this project forward, led by Professor Ian Bates.

17. Professional specialist curricula

The following UKCPA Groups are in the process of, or have completed, a curriculum in their specialist area:

Care of the Elderly
Cardiology
Critical Care
Gastro/Hepatology
Diabetes
Education & Training
HAT
Infection Management
Medicines Safety & Quality
Pain Management
Respiratory

The benefits of developing specialist curricula are:

- To create standards for the profession as a whole
- To outline clear knowledge and skills
- To help advance and develop practice
- To enable recognition of practice
- It will be crucial for recognising advanced practice (professional recognition/credentialing)

- it allows flexible career development for practitioners
- It will link to signposting to formal or informal education, development and training resources

The RPS is working with all specialist groups to support them in developing their curricula. The RPS provides the following resources for all groups:

- Curricula development guide available
- Curriculum template available
- Examples of completed curricula available
- Volunteers (members of expert groups who have already completed their curriculum) available to support and help
- RPS staff available to support (happy to have face to face meeting if needed)
- Virtual network available to share documents and speed the validation process up

The first batch of finalised curricula will be available on the UKCPA website over the coming months, and will also be hosted on the RPS website for availability to a wider audience.

18. Other specialist groups

We have had several collaborations with other specialist partner groups over the last 12 months, including the Renal Pharmacy Group and the Pharmacy Law and Ethics Association holding worksessions at UKCPA conferences. We hope to continue and increase these collaborations in the future.

19. BPSA

UKCPA continues to enjoy a good relationship with BPSA, with the President holding a co-opted place on the UKCPA General Committee. We are exhibiting at the BPSA 70th anniversary Conference in April 2012, and, for the second year running, are supporting the BPSA Research Poster Awards in collaboration with GSK. Later this year we will also be implementing a special membership deal for ex-BPSA members (see Marketing, point 9).

20. NICE Publication Partners

In October 2011 we became aware of an opportunity to become a Publication Partner for NICE Quality Standards; we applied and were accepted. The organisations that are currently Publication Partners varies depending on the area of care, but are typically Royal Colleges and patient groups/charities.

As a Publication Partner we can endorse the content of each Quality Standard as it gets published, but are under no obligation to provide our endorsement. In 'exchange' for endorsing the documents, we have our logo on the relevant area of the NICE website and agree to link to the document from our website.

21. NIHR non-commercial partner status

In January 2012 we applied and were accepted for NIHR non-commercial partner status. The NIHR is the NHS National Institute for Health Research (www.nihr.ac.uk). They commission and fund NHS, social care and public health research that is essential for delivering responsibilities in

public, health and personal social services. Their role is to develop the research evidence to support decision making by professionals, policy makers and patients, make this evidence available, and encourage its uptake and use.

As a NIHR Partner, project teams who are funded by UKCPA are eligible to use NIHR Clinical Research Network support systems and resources.

This includes the ability to use the NIHR Coordinated System (aka NIHR CSP) for gaining NHS Permissions. This is a single system for applying for all the permissions and approvals you need to conduct your research study in the UK. It also performs checks to ensure that you have the right approvals required.

Studies funded by UKCPA will also be considered for inclusion in the NIHR Clinical Research Network Portfolio – a database of high quality clinical research studies. The Portfolio Database captures activity data and provides analysis tools to facilitate active management of current studies run within the Network.

Inclusion in the Portfolio also comes with additional benefits, such as access to experienced research management and governance staff, access to networks of research support staff who can help identify eligible patients, and access to free training opportunities.

GROUP ACTIVITY

22. UKCPA project funding

It was agreed at the General Committee meeting in January 2012 that a research bursary should be available to UKCPA members and Groups to apply for. We had already developed a project funding request and application form earlier in 2011 and had received two applications, which were successful. We have set up a working group to meet in April 2012 to discuss and decide on the peer review process and other finer details of the scheme.

Treasurer's Report

This year has been a success with conferences and Masterclasses generating an excess of income over expenditure. These surplus funds have been used to provide leadership initiatives for the profession and fund two research projects. The first is a project with the UKCPA Critical Care Group looking at the contributions that pharmacists make to avoid errors leading to patient harm. The second is being led by the UKCPA Cardiac Group is looking at the impact of the antiplatelet patient information cards. With your support, we would hope to continue to fund future projects that generate evidence for the value of what we do.

There has been significant work undertaken on improving the website as we were forced to transfer from one platform to another. Hopefully this will be seen in the networking posts, although members may need to adapt to the new format to maximise the benefits.

For many decades the UKCPA has been a leader for education and training and the development of clinical pharmacy practice generally. The specialist interest groups have flourished and have developed and shared practice in a variety of clinical areas. Wider than this we are developing partnerships with other groups to support the pharmacists' role in healthcare. Our longstanding partnership with the GHP continues to make our May joint conference a success both financially and by demonstrating professional leadership. We have weathered the stops of separating regulator from broad professional representation as the new RPS transforms into a body akin to a royal college. We still look to release more value from working with our partners to develop what you want from your profession.

In the current financial climate all resources are in short supply, in terms of both your time to attend training opportunities and those of the volunteer organisers. It is the work of unpaid committee members that provides teaching opportunities to inspire the young and encourage those developing frontline practice to share with a wider professional audience. In light of this we will keep our fees the same as last year and look for ways of making your fees go further with our partners. If you think we should have joint fees with RPS or similar please let us know. In working with partners there is enhanced value to be extracted and/or reducing overheads. How this might be done is clearly challenging, but in times of tight finances we must consider all options, however fanciful they might initially appear to be – let us know your views.

External competition from other conference organisers remains a threat to the organisation in seeking value for money educational experiences and obtaining a share of the diminishing pool of pharmaceutical industry support. We are grateful to our corporate sponsors for their continuing loyalty that enables our costs to remain low; in exchange for their access to key decision makers without a sound financial structure we would be unable to nurture the development of future practitioners and shine a light on future leaders and advanced practitioners.

Our membership fees are vital, generating half our revenue and enabling us to take a risk to provide exciting conferences, Masterclasses and other events. Your continued support is the only way we can do what we do. Your fees, feedback and attendance declare that we still provide good value in our ventures.

Many of our committees have transformed into virtual meetings to reduce costs, but some face to face exchanges are essential to get the brainstorming of ideas and initiatives. Please find out about committee work and participate as part of your leadership development portfolio. This is supported by our able office staff without whom we could not translate dreams and ideas into the real world.

Financial Statements

Unaudited Income and Expenditure Accounts for 2011/12

| Income | 2010/11 | 2011/12 | Expenditure | 2010/11 | 2011/12 |
|---------------------------------|-------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|--------------------|
| Membership | | | Committees | | |
| Ordinary & overseas | £132,525.81 | £140,450.87 | General | £7,490.30 | £6,433.44 |
| Student | £364.00 | £282.00 | EPC | £1,398.82 | £0.00 |
| Corporate | £11,053.00 | £7,190.00 | Public Relations | £73.73 | £303.78 |
| | | | R & D | £138.50 | £0.00 |
| | | | BMG | £2,047.25 | £1,056.44 |
| Courses | | | Groups | | |
| In house | £195,940.65 | £205,978.00 | Education & Training | £161.75 | £81.80 |
| Commissioned | £1,200.00 | £1,200.00 | Quality & Risk Management | £0.00 | £0.00 |
| Bank Interest | £280.51 | £313.33 | Critical Care | £71.65 | £649.13 |
| | | | HAT | £1,259.64 | £1,837.30 |
| Sundry | | | Neurosciences | £54.60 | £0.00 |
| Books/Practice Guides | £6.70 | £0.00 | Care of Elderly | £0.00 | £124.10 |
| Awards inc. admin mailing | £8,105.00 | £16,130.00 | Surgery & Theatres | £0.00 | £0.00 |
| Miscellaneous | £5,832.75 | £450.00 | Infection Management | £294.25 | £680.00 |
| Sponsorship | £46,440.00 | £86,800.00 | Respiratory | £486.80 | £420.40 |
| In Practice- advertising income | £0.00 | £2,650.00 | Cardiology | £0.00 | £544.51 |
| Antiplatelet cards postage | £522.06 | £526.18 | Leadership Management | £0.00 | £0.00 |
| | | | Diabetes | £311.38 | £61.96 |
| | | | Information Technology | £0.00 | £0.00 |
| | | | Emergency Care | £0.00 | £0.00 |
| | | | Trustees | £150.28 | £385.06 |
| | | | Courses | | |
| | | | In house | £194,050.76 | £157,515.93 |
| | | | Commissioned | £1,100.00 | £1,100.00 |
| Total Income | £402,270.48 | £461,970.38 | Running costs | | |
| | | | Rent and services | £8,207.24 | £8,587.55 |
| | | | Staffing/PAYE | £124,834.21 | £109,597.44 |
| Excess over expenditure | -£15,643.82 | £94,297.23 | Accountancy/auditing | £1,742.00 | £1,800.00 |
| | | | Equip. & maintenance | £4,224.69 | £2,171.92 |
| | | | Tel/Fax/Web/Email | £3,574.20 | £4,237.56 |
| | | | Photocopier/copying | £9,253.31 | £14,318.70 |
| | | | Corporation Tax | £926.10 | £58.76 |
| | | | Chair release fee | £8,000.00 | £0.00 |
| | | | Administrative costs | | |
| | | | Bank charges/dir.debits | £946.69 | £842.53 |
| | | | Postage/scales | £2,156.87 | £1,837.13 |
| | | | Stationery | £1,860.23 | £848.77 |
| | | | Printing | £2,819.31 | £1,398.60 |
| | | | Travel Expenses | £1,661.58 | £0.00 |
| | | | In Practice | £11,520.46 | £10,493.35 |
| | | | Books/Booklets/Guides | £0.00 | £0.00 |
| | | | Insurance | £346.24 | £430.59 |
| | | | Antiplatelet Cards | £3,349.06 | £3,668.27 |

| Income | 2010/11 | 2011/12 | Expenditure | 2010/11 | 2011/12 |
|--------|---------|---------|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| | | | Collaborations | £730.88 | £2,263.26 |
| | | | Group Projects | £1,179.20 | £10,625.91 |
| | | | Awards | £8,076.25 | £8,160.20 |
| | | | Miscellaneous | £9,138.95 | £388.86 |
| | | | Abstract Publications | £1,071.00 | £2,913.00 |
| | | | Gifts and Donations | £920.00 | £1,183.00 |
| | | | Supported | | |
| | | | Meetings/Advisory | | |
| | | | Board | £2,286.12 | £10,653.90 |
| | | | Total expenditure | £417,914.30 | £367,673.15 |

Disclaimer: Subject to final confirmation from our Auditors Apr 2011 - Mar 2012

UKCPA Group Reports

Cardiac Group Annual Report

Current Committee

Chair: Sotiris Antoniou (SA)

Committee Members: Helen Williams (HW), Duncan McRobbie (DM), Bob McCartney (BM), Paul Wright (PW), Alison Warren (AW), Bhavisha Pattani (BP), Steve McGlynn (SM), Rani Khatib (RK)

Committee meetings

Committee meeting held on 23rd November 2011.

Activity and Achievements

1. Contribution to consultations – committee members on NICE guidelines
NICE Stable angina, Feb 2011 (HW)
NICE hypertension guidelines, March 2011 (SA)
2. Links with third party organisations/associations
British Cardiovascular Society
British Cardiac Intervention Society
NHS Education Scotland (Pharmacy)
Scottish Government Cross Party Group on Heart Disease and Stroke (SM - RPS representative)
Webinar (Acute Heart failure)
Distance Learning Pack Updates (Chronic Heart failure, Atrial Fibrillation, Coronary Heart Disease)
CPPE Distance Learning Pack Updates (Arrhythmias)
3. Other National committee involvement/collaborations
NICE STEMI guidelines (SA) (in progress),
NICE secondary prevention guidelines (PW) (in progress)
Expert Advisory Group, Dabigatran Consensus Statement, NHS Healthcare Improvement Scotland (SM)
Patient FAQ Subgroup, Dabigatran Consensus Statement, NHS Healthcare Improvement Scotland (SM)

Publications

The committee members have been actively publishing on cardiovascular matters. These include:

1. Pharmacy Magazine:

- **Khatib R** (2011) Viewpoint - Complementary Medicines. The role of Cardiology Pharmacists in Improving Public Health. *Pharmacy Magazine* 17(7):10.

2. Clinical Pharmacist:

- **Antoniou S, Wright P.** Stable Angina: clinical features and diagnosis, *Clinical Pharmacist* 2012: 4;10-13
- **Khatib R, et al.** (2011) High-intensity evidence underpins the use of high-intensity statins in Acute Coronary Syndromes. *Clinical Pharmacist* 3;156-157
- **Khatib R, et al.** (2011) Assessment of Medicines Adherence by Primary and Secondary Care Pharmacists in Yorkshire and Humber – a survey. *Clinical Pharmacist Supplement* 2; S42 – S43.
- **McArtney R, Ashelby S, Chouhan U et al.** An audit of therapeutic doses of low molecular weight heparins. *Clinical Pharmacist* 2011;3;158
- **Williams H** (2011) Updated NICE Guidance What Pharmacists Need to Know. *Clinical Pharmacist* 2011: 3: 254-255
- **Williams H** (2011) New oral anticoagulants present big challenges for NHS Commissioners *Clinical Pharmacist* 2011: 3: 235
- **Williams R, Rose D and McArtney R.** Intervention recording in Wales gives evidence of pharmacy value
Clinical Pharmacist 2011;3;92-94
- **Wright P, Antoniou S** Stable Angina: management *Clinical Pharmacist* 2012: 4;13-16

3. Other publications

- **Antoniou S.** Commentary on Eyes on Evidence –Should blood pressure be lowered in acute stroke? April 2011
- **Antoniou S** Commentary on Eyes on Evidence –Apixaban as an alternative to aspirin in patients with AF. April 2011.
- **Au Yeung V, Patel G, McRobbie D, Weinman J, Davies JG,** Information Patient satisfaction alongside the role perceptions and practices of doctors, nurses and pharmacists. *Patient Educ Couns* (2011), doi:10.1016/j.pec.2011.04.028
- **Au Yeung V, McRobbie D.** How to identify and improve medication non-adherence in the cardiac patient. *Br J Cardiac Nursing*. 2011.(6) 7 , 319-325
- **Khatib R, et. al.** (2011) Rapid response to: Dabigatran etexilate versus warfarin in management of non-valvular atrial fibrillation in UK context: quantitative benefit-harm and economic analyses. *BMJ* 343:d6333
- **Khatib R** (2011) Prescribing Diuretics in the Management of Heart Failure. *Nurse Prescribing* 9(9): 435 – 441.
- **Khatib R, et al.** (2011) The Development of a GTN advice Card in collaboration with Coronary Heart Disease Patients. *International Journal of Pharmacy Practice* 19(Supplement 2): 39.
- **Russell S, McArtney R and Yousef Z.** Acute Heart Failure: Drugs and devices. *Hospital Pharmacy Europe* 2011 Issue 54; 35-37
- **Williams H** Stroke prevention in AF. *Independent Nurse*, 21 Feb 2011
- **Williams H, Curran R** (2011) The potential role of ivabradine in management of chronic heart failure. *British Journal of Cardiac Nursing*, Vol. 6, Iss. 5, 05 May 2011, pp 222 - 225
- **Williams H** (2011) New Oral Anticoagulant For AF Stroke Prevention A Challenge For Commissioners? *Pharmacy Management* 2011 (27) 28-34

4. Books

- **Antoniou S** Arrhythmias in Clinical Pharmacy and Therapeutic (5th ed) Ed; Walker R and Whittlesea C 2011
- **McRobbie D** Coronary heart disease in Clinical Pharmacy and and Therapeutic (5th ed) Ed; Walker R and Whittlesea C 2011
- **Williams H** Dyslipidaemia in Clinical Pharmacy and and Therapeutic (5th ed) Ed; Walker R and Whittlesea C 2011
- **Williams H** Chapter 2: Drugs for the heart in the Oxford Handbook of Cardiology (2nd ed) Ed; Ramraka P and Hill J 2012

Events

- Joint Cardiac/HAT study – Advanced management of AF, 4 March 2011
- Introduction to Cardiology, 18 September 2011, Manchester
- Advanced Cardiology, 29 March 2012. London

Proposed events

Proposed stand-alone ACS Masterclass in Sept/October 2012 – North and South of England.

GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Symposium 2011

- GHP/UKCPA May 2011 Symposium
- UKCPA November symposium 2011 - Introduction to cardiology RK/PW

Contribution/Participation in other (non UKCPA) Conferences/events

- Invited Expert Speaker - Yorkshire Pharmacy Practice Conference, February 2012. Workshop on “Assessing Adherence in Practice”. (RK)
- Invited International Speaker - Patient Adherence Conference, Feb 2012, Yas Rotana, Abu Dhabi, UAE. Talk title “Factors Affecting Patient Adherence – The Patient Perspective, The Medicines-Taking Behaviour of Coronary Heart Disease Patients” (RK)
- Programme Guardian of Vascular Risk Programme publication. Centre for Pharmacy Postgraduate Education (CPPE), UK. (Reviewed in Feb 2012) (RK)
- Programme Guardian of Heart Failure publication. Centre for Pharmacy Postgraduate Education (CPPE), UK. (Reviewed Dec 2011) (RK)
- Invited speaker: PCCS Annual Scientific Meeting Sept 2012 – NICE Guidance and Drug Treatment Recommendations (HW)
- Invited speaker: PCCS Annual Scientific Meeting Sept 2012 – Commissioning Issues and New oral anticoagulants (HW) 37th UKMI Practice Development Seminar Sept 2011. New developments in anticoagulation (HW)
- Co-presenter (2011) Understanding Angioplasty. DVD. Production of the University of Leeds & Leeds Teaching Hospitals Trust.
- Webinar (Acute Heart failure) (SM)
- Webcast – NICE Hypertension Guidance 2011. PCCJ 2011 (HW)
http://www.pccj.eu/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=585&Itemid=315
- Webcast – Challenges Implementing New Oral Anticoagulants 2011. PCCJ 2011 (HW)
http://www.pccj.eu/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=587&Itemid=309

National newspaper quotes

Aspirin in primary prevention. quoted by BBC and telegraph (SA), 9 January 2012

Any other matters to report

The group welcomes two new committee members to the group - Noel Topping (Lead Cardiology pharmacist, Blackpool Victoria Hospital) and Nazish Khan (lead pharmacist at Royal Wolverhampton Hospitals) which offers a good distribution in geography as committee members.

Targets for 2012/13

Use of survey monkey as a way of reviewing prescribing comparisons across the country.
Running a national multidisciplinary meeting with HAT Group on behalf of UKCPA leading the discussion about the position of NOACs in stroke prevention for AF.

Sponsorship secured from the industry for the group

Bayer
sanofi
Astra Zeneca
Menarini
Boehringer Ingelheim
Servier
The Medicines Company

*Sotiris Antoniou on behalf of the Cardiac Group Committee
March 2012*

Care of the Elderly Group Annual Report

Current Committee

Chair: Derek Taylor
Committee Members: Garry Todd, Christina Short, Sarah Crotty, Rhona Petrie,
Balwinder Bolla, Lorraine Lanchbury

Committee meetings

The committee met at the last Masterclass but most communication between committee members was via email and telephone.

Activity and Achievements

- An update to and release of the Care of Older People Professional Curriculum for Advanced and Specialist Pharmacy Practice – this document continues to be endorsed by the British Geriatrics Society.
- Webinars - The Group arranged its first webinar in July 2011, through the RPS, entitled “The primary-secondary care interface: reducing hospital admissions”.

- Response to consultations – the Group has responded to a number of recent consultations from NICE and other organisations concerning the care of older people e.g. the reviews of Falls CG21, Parkinson’s Disease CG35 and the “Silver Book” review
- Representation on the RCP Intercollegiate Stroke Working Party

Publications

- In Practice - the committee has contributed to all recent editions.
- Pharmacy Magazine – December 2011 - “Targeting Medicines Use Reviews in Older People by Sarah Crotty, Lorraine Lanchbury & Derek Taylor

Masterclasses

The Group ran a Masterclass entitled “Management of Parkinson’s Disease and Dealing with Dysphagia” in London on 28th September 2011. This was a well-attended meeting with very encouraging comments from the delegates. Copies of the presentations and workshops are available on the UKCPA website. The meeting was sponsored by GSK.

Proposed Masterclasses

The Group is planning a Masterclass, entitled “Managing Dementia and Delirium in the Older Person”, to be held in Birmingham on 19th September 2012.

GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Symposium 2011/12

- The Group organised a workshop for the November 2011 symposium, entitled “Medication Review to Prevent Falls”. Feedback was very positive from this session and copies of the presentation and case studies are available on the UKCPA website.
- The Group has liaised with the College of Mental Health Pharmacists to help run a workshop, entitled “Antipsychotics for People with Dementia” at the Spring 2012 GHP/UKCPA joint conference. The Group is also working with the Ophthalmic Pharmacy Group to organise a workshop at the November 2012 symposium, relating to eye problems in older people.

Contribution/Participation in other (non UKCPA) Conferences/events

None in 2011/12

Targets for 2012/13

- a) Investigate models of assessment within older people pharmacy services through links with RPS and Scottish colleagues
- b) Running a second Group webinar
- c) Annual update of the Professional Curriculum for Advanced and Specialist Pharmacy Practice
- d) Further development of links with British Geriatric Society
- e) Advertise and further increase membership and usage of the new website

Sponsorship secured from the industry for the group

None

Group projects in progress

Each of the above stated target projects are currently being progressed

Derek Taylor, on behalf of the Care of the Elderly Group Committee

March 2012

UKCPA Community Group Annual Report

Current Committee

Chair: Gill Hawksworth

Committee Members: Jennifer Archer (Educational lead), Carey Halls, Clive Jolliffe, Angela Langley, Valerie Sillito (Scotland) and Diane Harris.

Committee meetings

The annual community group committee meeting was held at the November conference 2011.

Activity and Achievements

1. Contribution to consultations

The community group sent contributions to appropriate government consultations. Members of the committee depending on area of practice gave helpful comment which included both community pharmacy and primary care.

2. Links with third party organisations/associations

The Chair arranged meetings with the UKCPA and Lloyds pharmacy to consider joint working following the previous success of the NPA links. It was agreed that the community group give up one of their sessions at the UKCPA November conference 2012 to the NPA on 'Healthy Living Pharmacies' and give up another slot to Lloyds pharmacy on 'QIPP & Hospital Pharmacy-Creating a patient centred service'.

The Chair represented the UKCPA community group at the partnership meeting with RPS on professional recognition. The ongoing work of the UKCPA community group with RPS was followed up through their commitment for Jennifer Archer to run a training session at the 'Medicines Safety symposium' RPS conference in June 2012 on self assessment against the GLF .

The Chair organised a successful webinar jointly hosted by UKCPA and RPS on 'Essential cross sector communication' to support the roll out of the community pharmacy new medicine service and targeted MURs.

The UKCPA community group has close working with some local practice forums through its membership and will be supporting marketing of UKCPA to the WYLPF at their showcase in February 2012.

3. Department of Health

Through the community pharmacy slot at the November 2011 conference the Chair has worked closely with the DH National Director for hospital pharmacy to contribute to the development of the national documentation for hospital pharmacists to support the community pharmacy new medicine services and targeted MURs following discharge.

4. Other National committee involvement/collaborations

The Chair is lead for the RPS West Yorkshire local practice forum, CPS committee MHRA, and Science advisory committee of RPS. Also linked to HEI,LPC and PCT Public health team locally.

Members of the committee have networks as community pharmacists, PCT pharmacists or working in postgraduate and undergraduate education (HEIs) or industry. Several are CPPE tutors and link to CPPE resources, for example as speakers or core topics for sessions such as Clive Jolliffe's 'Tips for pre-registration tutors' at the November conference 2011.

5. International

Members of the committee are from England with one member of the committee from Scotland. Members of the group also cover Wales and Northern Ireland.

Publications

The committee members have been actively publishing on community pharmacy matters. These include:

- In Practice –articles published in all issues
- Community pharmacy and Public Health, Feb 2011
- The Community group announce exciting joint conference with RPS, April 2011
- Developing help, support and advice about drinking alcohol responsibly in primary care, May 2011.
- NMS/targeted MURs - why hospital pharmacists should be involved, Oct 2011.
- Obesity - A call for action (Healthy living pharmacies initiative), submitted Nov 2011
- Pharmacy magazine: Public Health - the role of pharmacists in improving public health across the UK.

Events

None held in 2011 (cancelled RPS conference)

Proposed events

None planned

GHP/UKCPA Joint Conference

No sessions held in 2011

UKCPA Symposium 2011

The community pharmacy New Medicine Service and targeted MURs: What's it all about?

At the November UKCPA conference Gill Hawksworth ran a community pharmacy session which attracted a good number of hospital pharmacists (20-30 attendees). In the session the hospital pharmacists had chance to look at and comment on draft national and local paperwork in development on essential cross sector communication to support the introduction of these new services specifically on discharge. The feedback was considered to be very useful and would go on to be fed into the national work as Martin Stephens was able to attend. The new national recommended documentation to be used by both hospital and community pharmacists around NMS and TMURs was published in January 2012. It is hoped that work is going on across the country to now address how these resources can be best used locally.

'Top tips for pre-registration tutors'

Committee member Clive Jolliffe gave an excellent and useful presentation jointly with the UKCPA Education and Training group. The session was very well attended and the feedback was very good.

Contribution/Participation in other (non UKCPA) Conferences/events

West Yorkshire LPF 2011 showcase event –UKCPA marketing of membership.

Targets for 2011/12

New wording agreed at group meeting November 2011 to be put on website and documentation:

“This group is for those Pharmacists who practise wholly or occasionally in the community setting, helping to meet the needs of both public and patients.

The nature and scope of Community Pharmacy is rapidly changing with a growing range of professional services being provided. Key community functions include medicine supply, prescribing, public health interventions, supporting and promoting self-care and medicines usage optimisation. As medicines experts we recognise that medicines interventions are at the core of what we do but modern healthcare requires more than this. Effective consultations and interventions will include finding out what outcomes patients and the public really want, what is important to them, fostering treatment adherence, medicines management, providing healthy lifestyle and general healthcare advice, enabling self help and signposting to others where appropriate.

The group intends to:

- Encourage safe and effective practice in community pharmacy maximising patient involvement.
- Encourage active participation in national Public Health agendas, promoting self-care for long-term conditions and improving patient outcomes.
- Work collaboratively on care pathways with others to support the patient's journey across healthcare interfaces.
- Provide a forum to share clinical experience and best practice to maximise opportunities for healthcare provision in a community setting.
- Encourage and support career progression and leadership in community pharmacy.
- Engage with pharmacy and other professional networks to help provide a unified voice on professional issues.

- Raise awareness of the importance of generalist practice and the need to use a recognised competence based framework.
- Contribute to and support community-related Pharmacy education and service development.
- Lead developments in essential cross sector communication to support the advanced community pharmacy service-New medicines service and targeted MURs.”

Sponsorship secured from the industry for the group

Support from Pfizer ongoing for 2011 and 2012.

Group projects in progress

UKCPA website: Online community group to be reviewed for currency by Clive Jolliffe. Signposting through links to NPA,CCA,C&D and pharmacy companies was thought to be helpful /extending topics

Future activities

Topic suggestions for future conference workstreams :

November 2012

- Public health. Joint UKCPA/NPA slot on ‘Healthy living pharmacies’: Jennifer archer /Deborah Evans.
- Outpatient dispensing. Joint UKCPA/Lloyds pharmacy slot on ‘QIPP & Hospital Pharmacy: creating a patient centred service’.
- Transfer of care. Further experiences of best practice and how hospital and community pharmacists can work together to support the role out of NMS and TMURs, and how admissions and re-admissions may be prevented: Gill Hawksworth

This meeting is being held in Chester in November 2012 and we will encourage more community pharmacists to attend and market the event locally to community pharmacists in Manchester and Liverpool and to the local LPCs. Liaison with Ryan Hamilton, the BPSA President, who was a PhD student at Liverpool John Moores University, could encourage new first time attenders and pre-regs. It was suggested by the Chair that there was consideration to offering a taster session (no charge) to one newly qualified pharmacist if they could write a reflection of why they should be chosen to be successful for this free place.

2) May 2012 Joint conference Belfast.

Essential cross sector communication. Experiences so far of how hospital and community pharmacists can work together to support the role out of NMS and TMURs: Gill Hawksworth

3. Succession planning

Membership: Vice Chair, Jennifer Archer, has been nominated.

Two new community pharmacist members were welcomed and co-opted on to the group committee: Katie Allison and Salma Iqbal.

The Chair was greatly encouraged at the success of the community pharmacy conference slots in 2011, compared to 2010, and our two new committee members who could encourage other new members. It is hoped that new partnership working with the NPA and Lloyds pharmacy and with

additional marketing for next year, the community pharmacy group could work towards its aims and objectives more confidently.

Gill Hawksworth, on behalf of the Community Group

March 2012

Critical Care Group Annual Report

Current Committee

Chair: Mark Borthwick (until December 2011)
Greg Barton (from December 2011)

Committee Members: Ruth Forrest, Robert Shulman, Emma Graham-Clarke, Richard Bourne, Meera Thacker, David Sapsford (since December 2011).

Committee meetings

Held in April 2011 and October 2011.

Activity and Achievements

4. Contribution to consultations
None of note

5. Links with third party organisations/associations
 - Emma Graham-Clarke has been involved in various activities relating to prescribing, including SCRIPT, Prescribing Skills
 - Emma Graham-Clarke co-opted pharmacist representative on N/AHP group of the ICS
 - Continue to promote links with Scottish Intensive Care Society. Alan Timmins (on expert group from St Margaret's Hospital, Dunfermline) was elected to Council of SICS as Associate Member.
 - Ruth Forrest and Alan Timmins appointed as e-tutors as part of the specialist facilitator cases for critical care as part of the undergraduate and postgraduate pharmacy courses at Robert Gordons University, Aberdeen.

6. Department of Health
Members of the committee updated the document "Antiviral management of influenza A (H1N1, H3N2) in critical care" and worked with the DoH and the HPA in the development of their influenza related guidance

7. Other National committee involvement/collaborations
Emma Graham-Clarke has been involved in the assessment and the prescribing competencies review by NPC.
Members of the critical care committee were involved in an RPS hosted day on credentialing.

8. International
None of note

Publications

The committee members have been actively publishing on Critical Care matters. These include:

- Contributions to all editions of In-Practice were co-ordinated and written by Ruth Forrest
- Graham-Clarke E M. Reflections of an independent prescriber - I pause, think and stop the drug. Clin Pharm 2010; 2(4):105-144
- Graham Clarke E M. Reflections of an independent prescriber – someone’s looking over your shoulder. Clin Pharm 2011;3(1):1-32
- Graham-Clarke E M. Reflections of an independent prescriber – Teaching: heads you win; tails I lose! Clin Pharm 2011;3(6):168
- Bourne RS, Dorward BJ. Clinical pharmacist interventions on a UK neurosurgical critical care unit: a 2-week service evaluation. International Journal of Clinical Pharmacy 2011; 33: 755-758.
- McKenzie CA, Wan R, Barrett N . Atypical antipsychotics and delirium in critical care. Critical Care 2011, 15:453
- McKenzie CA, Hatton K, Lim J, Barrett N. Improving the Accuracy and Timeliness of Medication Allergy Documentation in the Intensive Care Unit. Pharmaceutical Journal 2011 <http://www.pjonline.com/node/1088530>
- Boyle A, McKenzie CA, McLuckie A, Yassin S, Wyncoll D. Outcomes and adverse events associated with drotrecogin alfa (activated): a single-centre experience of 498 patients. Journal of Critical Care 2011 <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.jcrc.2011.07.004>
- Wan R, Kasiwal M, McKenzie CA, Barrett N. Quetiapine in Refractory Intensive Care Delirium. Critical Care 2011; 15: R159 (corresponding author)
- McKenzie CA. Antibiotic dosing in illnesses. Journal of Antimicrobial Chemotherapy 2011; Supp 2: 25-35.
- McKenzie CA, Borthwick M, Thacker M, Shulman R, Offord R, Tomlin M, Bates, I, McRobbie D. Developing a process of credentialing advanced level practice in the pharmacy profession using a multi-score evaluation tool. Pharmaceutical Journal 2011; 286: 1-5.
- Ne-Hooi Loh W, Barton G, Griffiths RD. Parenteral nutrition in intensive care. European Journal of Hospital Pharmacy Practice ; 2010, 16/3, 54-56
- Mark Borthwick wrote sections of the 2nd edition of the Oxford Handbook of Clinical Pharmacy

Posters

- ESICM 2010
Tight Glycaemic Control – Are We Putting Our Patients At Risk?
Barton G, Davies K, Gibson L, Hughes D
- ESCP 2011
Analysis of anticoagulation therapy for critical care haemofiltration patients
Langley C A, Goray G K, Graham-Clarke E M
- ICS 2011
Implementation of a new anticoagulation protocol for CVVH
E M Graham-Clarke, G K Goray, H Aujla
- ICS 2011
Medicines reconciliation in critical care
E M Graham-Clarke ; J Hussain; C Fisher

- Scottish Intensive Care Society Annual Scientific Meeting, 20-21st January 2011, St Andrews
Benchmarking of Clinical Pharmacy Services provided to Scottish Intensive Care Units,
Keith A Addie and Ruth M Forrest,

Events

1 March 2011, Kensington Close Hotel

A repeat of the “Starting Out in Critical Care” day ran in London. The usual building blocks of critical care practice (Shock, Fluids and Sedation) were covered.

23 September 2010, Kingsway Hall Hotel, London

This Advanced Practitioner Meeting attracted 52 delegates and covered a wide array of topics including a talk on the physiological actions of statins and the potential use of quetiapine in the management of delirium.

Proposed events

- 2nd March 2012, Kingsway Hall Hotel, London – “Starting out in critical care”
- 25th September 2012, Kingsway Hall Hotel, London – Advanced practitioner meeting

GHP/UKCPA Joint Conference and UKCPA Symposium 2011/12

Planned contributions to the GHP/UKCPA 8th Joint Conference, Belfast 2012:

- Fluids in critical care – the crystalloid/colloid debate
Presenters - Mark Tomlin/David Sapsford
- Antibiotic dosing in critical care
Presenter - Will Berry

Any other matters to report

- David Sapsford has recently been awarded an MSc, Greg Barton is now a qualified independent prescriber and Rob Shulman has been appointed Honorary Associate Professor in Clinical Pharmacy Practice at the UCL School of Pharmacy.
- The Critical Care H1N1 Clinical Guideline Development Group won the RPS’s Clinical Pharmacist of the Year Award
- The UKCPA has awarded the group funding to carry out the PROTECTED study and we are hoping to run another credentialing day in June 2012

*Greg Barton, on behalf of the Critical Care Group Committee
March 2012*

Dermatology Group Annual Report

The Dermatology Group has made little progress during 2011. However, during the year a number of queries have been answered through the online message board. The list of advanced training courses for those seeking to gain accreditation as Practitioners with a Special Interest in Dermatology has been supplied to interested parties.

One of our members has plans to establish a dermatology service based at his community pharmacy premises and we look forward to hearing about progress with this project.

Outside the UKCPA there continues to be considerable interest in dermatology amongst community pharmacists and we need to explore more actively how UKCPA might help to support this.

We look forward to continuing to make steady progress during 2012.

Christine Clark, on behalf of the Dermatology Group

March 2012

Diabetes UKCPA Group Final Annual Report 2011-12

Current Committee

Chair: Natasha Jacques

Committee members: Sally James, Catherine Hamilton, Victoria Ruzsala, Patricia Yerbury, Elizabeth Hackett

Committee Meetings

Held on 18 Jan 2011 and 21 Feb 2012.

Activity and Achievements

1. Contribution to consultations
 - Sally James completed the NICE guidance in preventing diabetes
 - Catherine Hamilton involved in NICE type 1 diabetes in adults stakeholder scoping meeting
 - Catherine Hamilton contributed to New Medicines Service consultation group

2. Links with third party organisations/associations
 - Involvement in Pharmacy Management Steering group to develop national strategy planning agenda and integrated care pathways
 - CPPE learning at lunch 'Safe Use of Insulin'
 - Teaching on the Bristol 'Progression of Type 2 Diabetes'
 - Involvement with postgraduate diplomas for Keele, De Montfort University, Liverpool, Bath, Chester, Kings College
 - Facilitation for the Joint Programme Board for diploma
 - Involvement in local practice forums on diabetes
 - Boehringer - Bristol roadshow: Progression of type 2 diabetes: Managing your patients appropriately at different stages.
 - Novo Nordisk - MERIT programme teaching
 - NHS Diabetes: Older people diabetes network. Session on medicines management / insulin
 - Pharmacy Management - Diabetes Steering Group
 - Speaker at D Day event on diabetes in Birmingham

3. Other National committee involvement/ collaborations

- Contribution to JBDS guidelines on enteral feeding
- Contribution to JBDS guidelines on self administration of insulin
- Natasha Jacques appointed to the Healthcare Professional Committee for Diabetes UK
- Elizabeth Hackett is the assessment programme guardian for diabetes CPPE

Publications

| Journal | Publication date | Title | Author |
|---------------------------|--|--|----------------------|
| Clinical Pharmacist | 2012 | Comment on study on the risk of congenital malformations for children born to diabetic mothers | Jacques N |
| | Volume 3, December 2011 | How to identify and manage diabetic ketoacidosis in adults | Jacques N, James S |
| Pharmaceutical Journal | Volume 287, Oct 2011 | Comment on BMJ article on analogue insulins | Jacques N |
| | Volume 287, Sep 2011 | Comment on launch of linagliptin | Hackett E, Jacques N |
| Journal of Renal Care, | 2012;38: 59–66. doi: 10.1111/j.1755-6686.2012.00275.x (Published online by Wiley Online Library 14/2/12) | Pharmacological Management of Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus in Patients with CKD | Hamilton, C. A. |
| Diabetes and Primary Care | 2011;13(2) | Addressing Kidney Damage in Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus | Jacques N |

Masterclasses

The Diabetes Masterclass ‘Diabetes in Pregnancy’ was well attended and positive feedback was received. It was sponsored by Novo, Lilly, Astra Zeneca & sanofi.

Proposed Masterclass

A Diabetes Masterclass on ‘Diabetes and Renal Disease’ has been organised for June 2012. Topics chosen to support knowledge base of complex and changing subject area and will support pharmacists in delivering the NPSA agenda for insulin safety.

GHP/UKCPA Joint Conference and UKCPA Symposium 2011/12

- Diabetes sessions on ‘Insulin made easy’ at UKCPA Autumn Symposium, Nov 2011
- Poster adjudicator at GHP/UKCPA conference and UKCPA Autumn Symposium

- Diabetes Award presented to Narinder Kaur on 'Multidisciplinary audit on the safe discharge of patient on insulin in hospital'

Contribution/Participation in other conferences

- Speaker at Diabetes UK
- Speaker at Inpatient Diabetes Conference

Future Activities

- Development of a diabetes pharmacist framework
- Expand our remit to include Endocrinology

*Natasha Jacques, on behalf of the Diabetes Group Committee
March 2012*

Education & Training Group Annual Report 2011/12

Current Committee

Chair: Maria Christou

Committee Members: Abbas Alidina, Janet Gilbertson, Clive Joliffe, Jill McDonald, Helen Middleton, Lizzie Mills, Aamer Safdar

Committee meetings 2011

Held on 3 March 2011 at Guy's & St Thomas' Education Centre, London.

Activity and Achievements

1. Contribution to consultations:
Individual members contributed to all government consultations on the 'Developing the Healthcare Workforce' consultation
2. Links with third party organisations/associations:
Individual members link with development work/activities of the RPS e.g. 'Professional Curriculum Group' and 'Education Expert Advisory Panel'. Most members also link with a number of Schools of Pharmacy e.g., King's College, London, University of East Anglia, University of Cardiff, University of Reading, The University of Keele
3. Department of Health:
None
4. Other National committee involvement/collaborations:
Ongoing interaction and collaboration with the NHS Pharmacy Education & Development Committee
5. International:
MC presented at the 2011 Pharmacy Life Long Learning Conference held in New Zealand

Publications

The committee members have been actively publishing on E&T matters. These include:

- In Practice: E&T group news articles were submitted for all editions in 2011

- Pharmacy Magazine: Lizzie Mills: 'Learning Tools for Community Pharmacists'
- Helen Middleton. 'Appraisals and development plans – is mentoring the missing link?' Clinical Pharmacist: 2011; 3: 345.
- Helen Middleton: How to build a professional portfolio (and why you should). Clinical Pharmacist 2011; 3:119.

Masterclasses

The annual E&T Group Masterclass was held on 7 June 2011 in London, titled 'Doing more for less! How can we be more resourceful in Pharmacy E&T?'

Delegate attendance: 28

Sponsorship was secured from Abbott, and positive comments were received regarding the variety of topics, knowledge base and enthusiasm of presenters.

Proposed Masterclasses

One Masterclass is planned for 2012. The focus of the 2012 Masterclass will be on skills for pharmacy educators in the context of the national changes affecting Pharmacy Education leading to registration (based on the outcomes of the Modernising Pharmacy Careers workstream 1 proposals).

Date & venue: 10 October 2012, Birmingham.

GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Autumn Symposium 2011

GHP/UKCPA Conference – 20-22 May 2011:

- Aamer Safdar assessed abstracts submitted for the conference.
- Jill McDonald presented a poster titled: 'Portfolio Review and Standardisation for Pre-registration Trainee Pharmacists' - *(co authored with Andrea Hollister)*
- Maria Christou adjudicated posters during the conference.

UKCPA Symposium 18-20 November 2011:

- Aamer Safdar and Clive Joliffe contributed a work session titled: 'Top tips for improving the quality and effectiveness of pre-registration tutoring'.
- Janet Gilbertson presented the 2011 UKCPA E&T Award poster on: 'An evaluation of the Pre-registration Trainee Pharmacist Accuracy Checking Evidence (PACE) training programme'
- Maria Christou contributed to the adjudication of posters for the Hameln Pharmaceuticals award.

Contribution/Participation in other (non UKCPA) Conferences/events

- RPS Conference: Ensuring effective teamworking and collaboration with patients and professionals' 11-12 September 2011: Maria Christou presented a poster titled: 'Development of Professionalism in Pharmacy Education leading to registration – Trainees' self-assessments versus Tutors' perceptions - *(co authored with David Wright)]*
- Life Long Learning in Pharmacy, 9th International Conference, Rotorua, New Zealand (29 June -2 July 2011) Maria Christou gave an oral presentation titled: 'Development of Professionalism during the pre-registration training year - *(co authored with Jill McDonald & David Wright)]*
- RPS webinar on Portfolio Building: presented by Helen Middleton (LPE&T Professional Development Manager) and Mark Borthwick (Consultant Pharmacist in Critical Care) in

September 2011. Can be accessed on:

<https://rpsgb.webex.com/mw0306ld/mywebex/default.do?siteurl=rpsgb>]

Any other matters to report

Targets for 2012/13

- Establish an ongoing work plan for all E&T Group Committee members through 'task & finish' groups on a rolling rota
- Survey the range specialist interests and expertise of members of the UKCPA E&T Group (via Survey Monkey) with a view to maximising engagement with the UKCPA and initiating E&T related projects
- Support the General Secretary of the UKCPA to collate organisational responses to key GPhC consultations relevant to Pharmacy E&T
- Continue active engagement in 'Partnership Working Groups' of the UKCPA e.g. the professional development and professional recognition (credentialing) work streams in association with the Royal Pharmaceutical Society (RPS)
- Review the organisational arrangements for the E&T Group Masterclass in order to attract more delegates and minimise costs
- Organise and deliver E&T work sessions for the GHP/UKCPA 8th Joint National Conference (20-11 May 2012) and the UKCPA Autumn Residential Symposium (16-18 November 2012) Symposia in association with the UKCPA Business Planning Committee.

Group projects in progress

Several committee members are involved in the development of a curriculum for pharmacy educators (as part of the RPS Specialist Curriculum Group)

Maria Christou, on behalf of the E&T Group Committee

March 2012

Gastroenterology/Hepatology Group Annual Report

Current Committee

Chair: Anja St. Clair Jones

Committee Members: Sarah Knighton, Joyeta Das, Sarah Cripps, Dan Greer, Jackie Eastwood, Suman Tin, Jaqueline Swabe

Committee meetings

Conducted virtually.

Activity and Achievements

1. Contribution to consultations

- NICE Upper GI bleeding guidelines
- NICE Crohn's guideline

- NICE organ transplant guidelines
- NICE Testing for Hepatitis B and C
- We contributed comments as stakeholders as to whether the NICE IBS and dyspepsia guidelines needed updating

2. Links with third party organisations/associations :

- BPNG
- UK and Eire Liver Transplant Pharmacist Group

3. Department of Health

None

4. Other National committee involvement/collaborations

- UK IBD standards committee
- UK IBD audit Steering group
- National Liver Disease Strategy

5. International

None

Publications

The committee members have been actively publishing on various matters. These include:

- In Practice: All editions
- Anja St. Clair Jones and Liza Casey. How dietary fibres affect diverticulitis. Pharmaceutical Journal 2011;286:469
- GreerDP. Managing Crohn's disease. Hospital Pharmacy Europe, June 2011
- Contributed comments to the RPS on the PPI and osteoporosis study which was subsequently quoted in the media (BBC news, DailyMail).

Masterclasses

Oh My GORD: Gastroenterology/Hepatology Group Masterclass for beginners, held at Crowne Plaza, Nottingham on 29 June 2011.

Attendance: 36

Proposed Masterclasses

Hep Hep Hurray: Gastro/hepatology advanced practitioners Masterclass

Contribution/Participation in other (non UKCPA) Conferences/events

- Sarah Knighton BASL 2011 Session on Hepatitis C new treatments
- Sarah Knighton – Poster presentation BASL

Any other matters to report

- ACLF handbook complete; to be endorsed by the BSG
- Assessment method to be developed.

Anja St. Clair Jones, on behalf of the Gastro/Hepatology Group Committee

March 2011

HAT Group Annual Report

Current Committee

Chair: Barbara Clark, Principal Pharmacist, Acute Medicine, Guys and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust

Vice Chair: Vacant

Committee Members:

- Sharron Millen - Head of Clinical Pharmacy, Southampton University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (Immediate past chair)
- Jig Patel – Pharmacist, Kings College Hospital NHS Foundation Trust
- Robin Offord - Director of Clinical Pharmacy, University College Hospital NHS Foundation Trust
- Duncan McRobbie - Associate Chief Pharmacist Clinical Services, Guys and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust
- Rosalind Byrne – Senior Pharmacist, Anticoagulation, Kings College Hospital NHS Foundation Trust
- Helen Williams - Consultant Pharmacist for Cardiovascular Disease, Southwark Health and Social Care, South London
- Simon Shepherd – Healthcare Development Consultant, Bayer Healthcare
- Marie Brazil - Consultant Pharmacist Hematology Services, Wirral University Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust
- Frances Akinwunmi – Consultant Pharmacist, Anticoagulation, Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust

HAT Mission Statement:

With our valued partners we will strive to ensure the delivery of the best possible care in the field of Haemostasis, Thrombosis and Anticoagulation (HAT) to patients in the UK. This will be achieved by supporting pharmacists with exemplary training and education to match their needs & access to R&D opportunities to build evidence-based practice. Realisation of this will depend on skill and expertise of the HAT committee and their membership in driving this agenda forward.

Committee Meetings 2011/2012

Committee meetings were held in Jan 2011 (London) & September 2011 (Newbury). Minutes are available on request.

Activity and Achievements:

1. Professional Representation:
 - Royal Pharmaceutical Society (RPS)

Attendance at multiple meetings across the UK to support the multidisciplinary activity of the Royal Pharmaceutical Society and the Exemplar network for VTE prophylaxis with the royal colleges. Sharron Millen is the spokesperson for VTE for the RPS.

- Membership of All Party Thrombosis Group (APPTG)
Attendance at three meetings and two presentations delivered at the House of Commons.
- Membership of the Thrombosis Forum
Attendance and presentations at meetings.
- Member of the National Nursing & Midwifery Network working for the exemplar network in conjunction with the DoH to raise awareness of VTE amongst the public and health professionals
Attendance at meetings by Frances Akinwunmi and, more recently, Rebecca Chanda (HAT group member). The aim is to provide support for audit and research activities. Various work streams in progress including looking at publishing the HAT FAQs on the NNMN website.

2. Other national committee involvement/collaborations

- Developed three key work streams on VTE prophylaxis on behalf of the profession
- Contributed to the NICE appraisal of 'Rivaroxaban for the treatment of deep vein thrombosis and prevention of recurrent deep vein thrombosis and pulmonary embolism'
- Invited to comment on the appraisal and attend the NICE appeal hearing for 'Dabigatran etexilate for the prevention of stroke and systemic embolism atrial fibrillation

3. International

HAT are presented at the European Association of Hospital Pharmacists meeting in Vienna (March 2011) and Milan 2012.

4. Research

The group completed a piece of multi-centred research on patient beliefs on anticoagulants. Publication underway.

Publications

The committee members have been actively publishing on matters linked to HAT topics. These include a contribution to all editions of In Practice. The group have published several papers in 'European Hospital Pharmacy', VTE Prophylaxis in 'The Journal of Men's Health'. Several opinion pieces for the pharmaceutical Journal and a chapter for an anticoagulant book on the new oral anticoagulant agents. The committee will also be contributing an article to the 'Pharmacy' journal in April 2012.

Masterclass 2011

Thrombosis Management – London 1st July 2011.

Proposed Masterclasses 2012

Something Old, Something New – London 26th April 2012

General Level Anticoagulation – London October 2012

GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences & UKCPA Autumn Symposium 2011/12

May 2011

- Commissioning new services
- New Oral Anticoagulants

Nov 2012

- General Level Anticoagulation

Contribution/ Participation in other (non-UKCPA) Conferences/ events

- Planned partnership working with RPS on national VTE targets.
- To present at the RPS 'Medicines Safety Symposium' in June 2012
- Membership of the All Party Parliamentary Thrombosis Group.

Any other matters

No currently planned activity until challenges with business plan are resolved.

Sponsorship secured from industry

Bayer

Boehringer Ingelheim

Leo Pharma

Bristol Myers Squibb/Pfizer (collaboration)

Daiichi-Sankyo

Pfizer

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Barbara Clark, on behalf of the HAT Group Committee

March 2012

Joint GHP/UKCPA IT Group Annual Report

Current Committee

Chair: Ewan Maule (UKCPA representative)

Committee members: Jim Bannerman (Treasurer), Onye Chigbu (Secretary), Garry McCrea (FD BE Award), Graeme Richardson (GHP Council Representative), Stephen Goundrey Smith (Consultations), Judie Finesilver (Articles/ PR), Cheryl Way (Articles/ PR), George Gannon, Neil Kirby, Dan Mandeman, Kym Thompson (Administration)

Committee meetings

- Annual Away Day, 14th April 2011
- Annual Seminar, 11th October 2011
- Various teleconference sessions

Overview

The joint Guild of Healthcare Pharmacists and UKCPA Information and Technology Group, was re-formed in 2006 from the Guild of Healthcare Pharmacists ITIG. The remit of the group differs from the original ITIG and from other UKCPA Groups in that it seeks the participation of practitioners

across all clinical specialities, rather than aiming to enrol pure I&T specialists. In fact, this diversity of membership is essential for the continued functioning and success of the Group and we are continually trying to broaden the diversity as technology and its application advances.

The Joint GHP/UKCPA Information and Technology Group aims to channel expert opinion from clinical practitioners and I&T specialists to best inform and influence policy decisions related to the introduction of new technological advances, and also to increase awareness amongst clinical practitioners of key technological changes on the horizon and their likely impact. The information side of the title relates to the way in which technology may be used to enhance the quality of information available to practitioners in influencing clinical and operational decision making. This may relate to anything from immediate availability of test results to aid clinical evaluations, through to the use of key performance indicator data to better inform decisions on where service priorities lie.

Annual Seminar 2011

The Joint GHP/UKCPA IT Group held the fifth annual seminar on 11th October 2011. It welcomed just over a 70 delegates with a mixed range of backgrounds to the Hilton Metropole Hotel in Birmingham and also had a very well supported exhibition with 9 exhibitors. The focus of the seminar was on making technology work with an emphasis on the efficiency agenda on a number of areas including: How Human Bias Affects Implementation of Technology experience from the USA, the design Principles of e-Prescribing Systems from an Icelandic perspective, E-Discharge with Formulary Control in Wales, electronic controlled drug registers in Gloucester NHS Foundation Trust and the presentation of the joint UKCPA/GHP Information Technology award with a presentation by the winner on Wireless Drug Ordering.

Consultation responses

- NHS dictionary of medicines and devices (dm&d) - The dm&d Content Committee consultation on the proposed change to formally include Global Trade Item Number Codes in dm&d – September 2011.
- NHS dictionary of medicines and devices - The dm&d Content Committee consultation on the virtual medicinal product, ingredient substance and expression of strength in dm&d - November 2011.

Other contributions

The group continues to directly provide, and facilitate input into, a number of national projects including:

- Pan Pharmacy IT Group meeting attendance.
- NHS United Kingdom Terminology Centre Implementation Forum.
- The Pharmacy Business Technology Group a sub-group of the National Pharmaceutical Supplies Group (NPSG).

Planned Activities for 2012

- This year's Joint GHP/UKCPA ITIG Seminar is being planned for Tuesday 16th October 2012 at the Macdonald Burlington Hotel, Birmingham, although the date and venue have yet to be

confirmed. An away day is planned for 28 February 2012 to finalise the date and venue, and plan the content.

- Through the course of 2012, the group will continue to look to respond to IT related consultations with a Pharmacy theme.
- A new ePrescribing specific seminar for early 2013 in conjunction with the Royal Pharmaceutical Society and wider UKCPA groups.

Awards

Mawdsleys, the new sponsors of the joint UKCPA/GHP Information Technology award presented the joint UKCPA/GHP Information Technology award in 2011 to the winners Colin Ward East Midlands Cancer Network Lead Pharmacist & Directorate Pharmacist for Rehabilitation & Cancer from Derby Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust for his work on Wireless Drug Ordering – Pilot Project receiving the £1500 first prize and to Corinne Atkins, Chief Technician from Maidstone Hospitals for their work on Electronic Transcription Request Forms who received the £1000 runner up prize.

The aim of the annual award continues to be to encourage, support and promote information technology initiatives and best practice in the use of IT in Pharmacy. Interested applicants can find details on the GHP website www.ghp.org.uk or the UKCPA www.ukcpa.net.

Entries for the 2012 award will close in June 2012, judging will take place July/August 2012 with the award being presented at the Joint ITIG Seminar on Tuesday 16th October 2012 at the Macdonald Burlington Hotel , Birmingham.

Communications

- ***UKCPA In Practice***

The ITIG has contributed to UKCPA In Practice as well as using it as a method to publicise the seminar.

- ***Twitter***

The ITIG has now established a social media presence on twitter (@ITInterestGroup).

Graeme Richardson (GHP Council representative), on behalf of the Joint GHP/UKCPA IT Group
March 2012

Leadership Development Group Annual Report

Current Committee

Chair: Cathy Mooney

Committee Members: Graeme Hall, Philip Howard, Richard Cattell, Pippa Roberts, Chris Green, Catherine Duggan, John Quinn, Scott Savage, Sarah Carter

The LDG is a joint group between the UKCPA and GHP with the key purpose of facilitating the development of leadership in all areas of practice and at all levels.

Committee meetings

- May 2011 – Leeds
- Nov 2011 – Hinkley

Activity and Achievements

1. Contribution to consultations
None
2. Links with third party organisations/associations
None
3. Department of Health
None
4. Other National committee involvement/collaborations
None
5. International
None

Publications

The committee members have been actively publishing on leadership matters. These include:

- Pharmacy Magazine: Is the New Medicines Service an opportunity for primary and secondary care to work more closely together? Phil Howard, March 2012
- Any other publications: Take notice of the qualities that make you a leader in your field. Chris Green and Richard Cattell, June 2011, PJ Online

Masterclasses

None

Proposed Masterclasses

None

GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Autumn Symposium

- Joint Conference, May 2011, workshops:
Quality Accounts in Pharmacy
The Power of NLP – Understanding the study of excellence
QIPP/QPC – What's it got to do with pharmacy?
- Autumn Symposium, Nov 2011, workshops:
Personal development for directorate pharmacists: Understanding Yourself
Aligning yourself in the organisation
Working with others – managing performance to deliver priorities

Contribution/Participation in other (non UKCPA) Conferences/events

None

Any other matters to report

1. Targets for 2012/13

- Delivery of three workshops on leadership development at both Joint Conference and Autumn Symposium
- Launch the Directorate Pharmacists Pack (anticipated May 2012)
- Gap analysis of leadership support for all levels of hospital pharmacists
- Review of Terms of Reference

2. Sponsorship secured from the industry for the group

Leadership award sponsored by GSK.

3. Group projects in progress

Mentoring database with RPS.

4. Addition of new member

Sarah Carter has been elected onto the LDG to assist in writing articles and improve dissemination.

Scott Savage, on behalf of the Leadership Development Group Committee

March, 2012

Medicines Safety & Quality Group Annual Report

Current Committee

Chair: Amanda McLean

Committee Members: Gillian Cavell, Jane Nicholls, Rachel Leff, Stephen Grogan, Nicola Wake.

Co-opted members: Margaret Stone, David Upton, Alice Osborne.

Committee meetings 2011/12

No committee meetings were held during this time; all communication has been via email.

Activity and Achievements

1. Contribution to consultations:

Commented on "Medicine storage in clinical departments" -to appear in the supplies, storage and distribution section of the Department of Health document 'General design principles'

2. Links with third party organisations/associations

Continues to have strong links with the National Patient Safety Agency.

3. Department of Health

See above re contributions

4. Other National committee involvement/collaborations

Professional Curricula Group

5. International

None

Publications

The committee members aim to actively publishing on medicine safety and quality matters. This includes contributing to In Practice in April 2011; July 2011; January 2012.

Masterclasses

None held

Proposed Masterclasses

None planned for 2012

GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Autumn Symposium 2011/12

- Fringe meeting held in May 2011 at Joint Conference
- Sessions booked for May 2012 on the future of medication incident reporting, plenary and workshop.

Any other matters to report

The group are involved in developing a competency framework for pharmacists working in medicines safety.

Amanda McLean, on behalf of the Medicine Safety and Quality Group
March 2012

Neurosciences Group Annual Report

Current Committee

Chair: Shelley Jones

Committee Members: Annett Blochberger, David deMonteverde-Robb, Ben Dorward, Louise Dunsmore

Committee meetings 2011/12

None

Activity and Achievements

1. Contribution to consultations

NICE guidance Epilepsies – Update Nov 2011

2. Links with third party organisations/associations

Work with LPP on generic anti-epileptics – in progress

3. Department of Health

Ben Dorward, David DeMonteverde-Robb and Shelley Jones attended HNIg database workshop
Dec 11

Publications

The committee members have been actively publishing on several matters. These include:

- In Practice: Group news, Nov 11
- In Practice: Group news, Feb 12
- Annett Blochberger. Preladent in patients with PD and motor fluctuations. Brit Journal of Clinical Pharmacy 2011;3(4),104
- Annett Blochberger. Assessing 3,4-diaminopyridine for Lambert-Eaton Myasthenic Syndrome. Brit Journal of Clinical Pharmacy 2011;3(4);174-176
- David Kearney, Louise Dunsmure. Parkinsons Disease: Management. Clinical Pharmacist 2011;3;368
- Annett Blochberger, Shelley Jones. Parkinsons Disease: Clinical Features and Diagnosis. Clinical Pharmacist 2011;3;361-366
- Annett Blochberger. NICE Epilepsy Summary Update Comment. Clinical Pharmacist 2012;4;53
- Richard Bourne, Ben Dorward; Clinical Pharmacist Interventions on a UK Neurosurgical Critical Care Unit: A 2 week service evaluation. Int J Clin Pharm 2011; 33;755-758
- Hospital Pharmacy Europe Supplement – Multiple Sclerosis 2011
Foreword: Shelley Jones
Aetiology Pathophysiology and Prognosis: Shelley Jones
Louise Dunsmure and David Kearney: Cannabinoids in Multiple Sclerosis Management
David de Monteverde-Robb: The Mechanisms to Move Forward

Masterclasses

None

GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Autumn Symposium

Neuroimmunological Disorders Workshop – Ben Dorward and Louise Dunsmure, UKCPA Autumn Symposium, November 2011

Proposed Masterclasses and events

- RPS Webinar – Multiple Sclerosis
- Proposed joint workshop with Surgery & Theatres Group on post-operative management of patients with neurological disorders.

Contribution/Participation in other (non UKCPA) Conferences/events

None

Any other matters to report

1. Targets for 2011/12
Continue work on competency framework for neurosciences

2. Sponsorship secured from the industry for the group
None
3. Group projects in progress
Work on competency framework for neurosciences

Shelley Jones, on behalf of the Neurosciences Group Committee
March 2012

Pain Management Group Annual Report

Current committee

Chair: Roger Knaggs
Committee Members: Emma Davies, Gideon Kotey, Lee Wilson.

Committee meetings

The committee has not met in 2011 but maintains regular e-mail contact and communication.

Activity and Achievements

1. Contribution to consultations
The group co-ordinated the UKCPA response to consultations on the NICE clinical guidelines on opioid use in cancer pain and the pharmacological management of neuropathic pain.
2. Links with third party organisations/associations
Roger Knaggs is an elected member of the Council of the British Pain Society
Roger Knaggs and Lee Wilson are spokespersons on pain management for the Royal Pharmaceutical Society
3. Other National committee involvement/collaborations
Emma Davies is a member of the Welsh Pain Advisory Board
4. International
Roger Knaggs is a member of International Association for Study of Pain Curricula Taskforce on Pharmacy

Publications

The committee members have been actively publishing on relevant matters. These include:

- In Practice: January 2012, April 2012
- Pharmacy Magazine: The role of pharmacists interested in pain in improving public health. Emma Davies, September 2011.
- Lee Wilson. An update on epidural analgesia. Clinical Pharmacist: September 2011
- Gill J, Taylor D, Knaggs R. Persistent Pain: Improving Health Outcomes. UCL School of Pharmacy and UKCPA.

Masterclasses

5th September 2011 (Leeds). Palliative care in respiratory disease. Joint Masterclass with Respiratory group. 30 attendees, including speakers. Positive evaluation from delegates and learning objectives met.

Speakers:

- Breathlessness in palliative care – Dr Miriam Johnson
- Opioids for pain – Gwen Klepping
- Palliative care for non-cancer lung disease (e.g. end stage COPD & ILD) – Dr Yousef Adcock
- Neuropathic agents and other adjuvants – Dr Laura McTague
- Napp Pain Award and Napp Respiratory Award presentations – Ali Harris & Anna Murphy

Proposed Masterclasses

6 September 2012 (Manchester) - Joint masterclass with Surgery and Theatres Group: Pain management in enhanced recovery following surgery.

GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Autumn Symposium 2011

- GHP/UKCPA Joint conference 2011: Current understanding of pain mechanisms and treatment strategies (Gideon Kotey)
- Satellite symposium at UKCPA Autumn Symposium 2011 (supported by Napp Pharmaceuticals) on value-based pricing (Paul Catchpole, ABPI)

Any other matters to report

1. Targets for 2011/12

Continued collaborative working with other UKCPA groups.

2. Sponsorship secured from the industry for the group

Continued support from Napp Pharmaceuticals for UKCPA Pain Management Award and Masterclass.

3. Group projects in progress

Development of competency framework / curriculum for pain management in collaboration with RPS.

Roger Knaggs, on behalf of the Pain Management Group Committee

March 2012

Respiratory Group Annual Report

Current Committee

Chair: Anna Murphy (AM)

Committee Members: Grainne d'Ancona (Gd'A), Nicola Berns (NB), Toby Capstick (TC), Suman Gupta (SG), Hasanin Khachi (HK), Helen Meynell (HM), Patrick Wilson (PW).

Committee meetings

One formal committee meeting took place on 8 Feb 2012. All other committee correspondence has been via email and telephone communications.

Activity and Achievements

1. Contribution to consultations

- NICE
 - Member of Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis Guideline Development Group (PW)
 - Quality Standards Asthma Topic Expert Group (Gd'A)
 - Pirfenidone for the treatment of idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (All)
 - MTA Asthma for Omalizumab (HK)
 - Smoking cessation in secondary care - draft scopes for consultation (All)
 - Smokeless tobacco: South Asians (All – plus contribution from Neena Lakhani)
 - Guidance on preventing the uptake of smoking by children and young people (All)
 - Smoking harm reduction (All)

2. Links with third party organisations/associations

- The British Thoracic Society (BTS)
 - Professional advice provided on request (All)
 - Committee member of BTS/SIGN pharmacological subgroup guidelines for asthma management (GA/AM)
- Royal Pharmaceutical Society
 - Expert opinion/media activities (All)
 - Cystic Fibrosis Webinar (PW/AM)
 - Comments on RPS Supporting Patients with COPD, and Asthma (New Medicines Service) (AM, HK, TC)
- Health Innovation & Education Cluster and Lung Improvement Programme
 - National Department of Health pilot project looking at reducing COPD readmissions across North East London, North Central London & Essex (HK)

3. Department of Health

New Medicine Service for community pharmacists – Respiratory advisory group (AM)

4. Other National committee involvement/collaborations

- Committee member of the Severe Asthma National Network (AM)
- Member of the UK Coalition to Stop TB (from December 2008)
- Member of the BTS MDRTB Clinical Advice Service (from December 2009) and member of the Implementation Group and Steering Group from December 2010 (TC)
- Product Guardian / Contributor for the Centre of Pharmacy Postgraduate Education (CPPE) (AM, TC, HM)
- National Review of Asthma Deaths enquiry (AM)

Publications

The committee members have been actively publishing on Respiratory matters. These include:

- In Practice: Contributions to all editions:
 - Capstick T. Treatment interruptions and inconsistent supply of anti-tuberculosis drugs in the United Kingdom
 - Khachi H, Gupta S. Roflumilast & indacaterol review. April 2011.
 - Khachi H. An Outcomes Strategy for COPD and Asthma in England. October 2011
 - Khachi H. Fears highlighted with the use of Tiotropium Respimat® October 2011
- Capstick TGD, Laycock D, Lipman MCI on behalf of the UK Coalition to Stop TB. Treatment Interruptions and Inconsistent Supply of Anti-tuberculosis Drugs in the United Kingdom. Int J Tuberc Lung Dis 2011;15:754-60.
- Capstick TGD et Sanderson R. Management of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. Hospital Pharmacy Europe 2011;56:55-8.
- Capstick TGD. Lower Respiratory Tract Infections. The Pharmacist 2011 Autumn Winter 2011/12:119-123.
- Capstick TGD et Clifton IJ. Inhaler technique and training in people with COPD and asthma. Expert reviews of Respiratory Medicine 2012;6(1):91-103.
- Capstick TGD et Vigar A. Roflumilast: drug evaluation. Hospital Pharmacy Europe. 2012 (In press).
- Murphy AC. Clarity on the Differences between Asthma and COPD is vital to good practice. Pharmaceutical Journal, Sept 2011
- Murphy AC. The challenge of asthma management. Hospital Pharmacy Europe. May 2011.
- Murphy AC, Proeschel A, Brightling CE, et al. The relationship between clinical outcomes and medication adherence in difficult-to-control asthma. Thorax 2012 (in press)
- Khachi H. MUR Tips for Asthma. The Pharmacist. June 2011.
- Keal J, Khachi H, Hanzaree E et al. Treatment of multidrug resistant tuberculosis: where are the guidelines for monitoring? Thorax 2012; 67: 273-274.

Poster Presentations

1. Wilson PI, Range SP, Murphy AC. Prescription Issue Data as a Measure of Adherence with Nebulised Therapy in an Adult Cystic Fibrosis Centre. Winter BTS meeting 2011.
2. Keal J, Khachi H, Hanzaree E et al. Treatment of multidrug resistant tuberculosis: where are the guidelines for monitoring? Winter BTS meeting 2011.

Awards

UKCPA/GHP Leadership award presented to Anna Murphy, May 2011

Napp Asthma Award presented to Anna Murphy, Nov 2011

Masterclasses

8 September 2011 – Held in conjunction with the Pain Group, Leeds. Sponsored in part by Napp Pharmaceuticals

Proposed Masterclasses

October 2012 – London – “Breathing your way to Olympic Gold”

GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Autumn Symposium 2011

Respiratory Update – November 2011

Contribution/Participation in other (non UKCPA) conferences/events

- Department of Health, EXPO innovation event, Presentation of the SIMPLE approach to Asthma Management. March 2011 (AM)
- The Pharmacy Show, Birmingham NEC Oct 2011; Current practices in respiratory medicine (TC)
- Local Pharmacy Practice Forums presentations (AM, TC)
- Leeds World Asthma Day (TC)
- Scottish secondary care prescribing conference, May 2011 (AM)
- British Thoracic Society (BTS) Spoken session: Murphy AC, Belingheri S, Brightling CE, et al. Can clinicians accurately predict non-adherence to medication in patients with difficult-to-control asthma?
- Middle East Clinical Pharmacy Congress. Two workshops on COPD management. (HK)

Any other matters to report

1. Targets for 2010/11

- Successful promotion and presentation of the new NAPP asthma award
- Improve networking with members
- Increase membership of the newsgroup and encourage discussion, improve communication, share resources and continually update the membership database
- Encourage membership of pharmacists working in primary care.
- Encourage the membership to develop research projects, with the aim of publishing the results.
- To strengthen links with organisations involved with respiratory and identify areas of practice where we can work together

2. Sponsorship secured from the industry for the group

- NAPP pharmaceuticals – Asthma Award
- GSK – Masterclass

3. Group projects in progress

- Development of a career framework for respiratory pharmacists - The Specialist Curriculum Group (SCG)

*Anna Murphy, on behalf of the Respiratory Group
March 2012*

Surgery and Theatres Group Annual Report

Current committee

Chair: Debra Morris

Committee members: Nicola Ward, Nicola Howarth, Angela Burgin

Meetings held

The committee meet during the UKCPA Autumn symposium and the Masterclass days whenever possible. The majority of the communication is via email and phone calls.

Masterclasses and conference workshops held

- June 2011 – Masterclass on Vascular surgery.
This was a well attended event. We were delighted to have presentations from two leading surgeons who are highly acclaimed in this area.
- November 2011 – three workshop sessions at the UKCPA Autumn symposium
Session 1 – Issues in Gynae surgery. A joint session with Women’s Health Pharmacist group (Tori Young and Debra Morris)
Session 2 – Enhanced Recovery in Surgery (Nicola Howarth and Barbara Wilson)
Session 3 – Bariatric surgery (Angela Burgin and Nicola Ward)

Masterclasses planned for 2012

Enhanced Recovery and anaesthetics. A joint session with the Pain Group. This will be aimed at an advanced level and held in September 2012.

Autumn Symposium 2012

To run a joint workshop session with the Diabetes group on ‘The management of diabetic patients in the peri-operative period’.

Publications

- In Practice: The group has submitted an article for every edition of 2011 of In Practice
- Pharmacy Magazine: Contribution by Debra Morris on ‘Enhanced Recovery Programme’ Aug 2011
- Hospital Pharmacy Europe: An article on ‘Fluid management in the Peri-operative period’ contributed by Debra Morris

Other activities

ACLF – Ongoing work, contributing to the Advanced and Specialist Project Group work.

*Debra Morris, on behalf of the Surgery & Theatres Group
March 2012*

Minutes of UKCPA Annual General Meeting 2011

Minutes of the 31st UKCPA Annual General Meeting, Saturday 21st May 2011.

Room: Highgrove, Crowne Plaza, Nottingham.

The meeting commenced at 5.35pm, chaired by: Sarah Carter, General Secretary.

1. Apologies

Sally Shaw, Linda Stephens, Michael Burden, Sharon Millen, Mark Tomlin.

2. Minutes of the previous meeting held on Saturday 15th May 2010 (available on the UKCPA website)

No corrections. Proposed by Catherine Duggan, seconded by Ian Bates, accepted.

3. Matters Arising

None.

4. Officers Reports:

a) Chairman. Chris Green thanked everyone for their continued support and was proud to have been Chair of UKCPA. Proposed by Helena Hodges, seconded by Gillian Hawksworth, accepted.

b) Professional Secretary

Sarah Carter reported that UKCPA partnerships were going well and we were engaging with the members via surveys with active consultations. It was noted that the only correction in the Professional Secretary report was in point 6, Page 12 - Dr Chris Green should be quoted and not Dr Sarah Carter.

IB commented that as general feedback it was good and gave a vote of thanks to the UKCPA team, being timely with their feedback. Proposed by Helena Hodges, seconded by Catherine Duggan, accepted.

c) Trustees. Chris Acomb reconfirmed the names of the current UKCPA Trustees. Sarah Carter gave thanks to the trustees. Proposed by Ian Bates, seconded by Helena Hodges, accepted.

d) Treasurer. Mark Tomlin was unable to attend. Sarah Carter stated that there were slight operational losses last year and that we didn't expect this to continue. It was due to staffing increases and one off payments. Marie Matthews reported that there was a change in the reporting, with sponsorship not in the same place as before. Proposed by Barbara Adie, seconded by Helena Hodges, accepted.

Ian Bates asked if there was to be any increased educational programme opportunities. Chris Green said that HAT for example, during the meeting yesterday had given a bold proposition which was agreed. They had proposed revised speaker fees and costs incurred in the preparation of a masterclass. £600 had been agreed by the committee in support of the activity. Chris Green added

that this was the way UKCPA needed to go, always moving forward and would look to implement it with all of the Groups.

e) Vice Chairman (no post holder) No report.

5. UKCPA Groups Annual Reports from Chairs of the following:

- a) Education & Training
- b) Gastroenterology/Hepatology
- c) Medicine Safety and Quality
- d) Critical Care
- e) Care of the Elderly
- f) Surgery and Theatres
- g) Respiratory
- h) Dermatology
- i) Emergency Care
- j) Community
- k) Diabetes
- l) Leadership Development
- m) Pain Management
- n) Information Technology
- o) Neurosciences
- p) Haemostasis, Anticoagulation and Thrombosis
- q) Cardiac
- r) Infection Management

Ian Bates said that there was a wide range of activities, showing we were quite impressive. Sarah Carter commented that the women's health group was new and active on the website. Chris Green commended all to look at the reports, they were very encouraging. Philip Howard wished to encourage members to publish more and work was needed here. Sarah Carter said that we could work with RPS to help people to do this, as many people have commented on this in the sessions. Catherine Duggan said that with the gravitas of RPS maybe there could be partnership working? Philip Howard stated that maybe the UKCPA needed a publication strategy. Ian Bates supported the idea. Frances Akinwunmi said that we must be direct and have that strategy. Proposal to introduce the publication strategy proposed by Gillian Hawksworth, seconded by Paul Evans, accepted.

6. Election of Auditors and Agreement of their fee

Bridgeson & Co were confirmed as the UKCPA accountants.

7. Appointment of Trustees

Chris Acomb confirmed that Nina Barnett was taken on as a trustee last year and reiterated all of the trustee names.

8. Future Projects and UKCPA strategic development

8.1 UKCPA proposal to operate as a 'Charitable Trust'

Chris Acomb explained that after a meeting that Gillian Hawksworth, Paul Evans, Philip Howard and himself had had with a solicitor at the conference, they needed to be aware of the trustee's financial liabilities. All 6 trustees needed to have a bond put in their name as old trustee names from 8 years ago were still on the bond. This was proving difficult each time the trustees changed.

The UKCPA are currently an unincorporated association, where all of the trustees are equally financially liable. He was concerned that someone could sue them and that they needed to protect their actions. They had asked the solicitor his advice on the status of the UKCPA and were told that legislation was coming out, with a hybrid of a limited company and a charitable trust. This was still unclear but may benefit due to tax.

Ian Bates asked if there were to be any savings envisaged. Chris Acomb commented that not paying corporation tax, but our accountants would need to clarify this information. Even as a charity there may be liability. They were led to believe that there was no need to be insured in the past, but had been told today there is a trustee insurance. They will take advice on this quickly. Christine Clark offered the status of social enterprise to be considered as this sounded right in her opinion. Chris Acomb said that they would take out the insurance in the first instance and then look into the correct status for the UKCPA. A charitable company may also get more funding, but the image of the UKCPA would need to be taken into account too.

9. General Committee Election Results

Chris Green said that he didn't envisage a third year as chair and would really encourage a vice chair to step forward, soon. This would let them have a better understanding of the role and couldn't encourage it enough. He gave thanks for all of those that had helped and supported and added that he didn't think that the UKCPA would have done so well without them all.

There were four vacancies for the General Committee. Nuttan Tanna, Helena Hodges and Stephen Grogan finished their three year term of office. One vacancy was made due to the resignation of Catherine Duggan. Graeme Hall, Sharron Millen and Ryan Hamilton (BPSA representative) completed their co-opted terms.

Stephen Grogan and Nuttan Tanna were nominated and agreed to stand for a further three year term of office. Sharron Millen was nominated and agreed to be elected to the General Committee for a three year period. As there were three confirmed nominations and four vacancies, no election was required. There is now one elected vacancy and 2 co-opted vacancies. It was proposed to continue having a BPSA representative co-opted to the General Committee, which Ryan Hamilton agreed to.

UKCPA Business Management Group structure for the period 1st April 2011 – 31st March 2012:

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| Chris Green | Chair |
| TBC | Vice Chair |
| Mark Tomlin | Treasurer |
| Marie Matthews | General Manager |
| Sarah Carter | General Secretary |

The vacant key officer post above will be selected from the General Committee members listed below:

UKCPA General Committee structure for the period 1st April 2011 – 31st March 2012:

Duncan McRobbie, Claire Ellwood, Chris Green, Stephen Grogan, Nuttan Tanna, Ian Bates, Aamer Safdar, Gillian Cavell, Mark Tomlin, Mohamed Rahman, Sharron Millen.

Co-optees (maximum 3, as per UKCPA constitution) – BPSA officer-Ryan Hamilton plus 2 vacancies-TBC.

UKCPA Trustees

Chris Acomb, Paul Evans, Philip Howard, Gillian Hawksworth, Vincent Cronin, Nina Barnett.

The UKCPA Groups will be made up of the following representatives for the 2011-2012 period:

Cardiac Group

Sotiris Antoniou (Chair), Alison Warren, Steve McGlynn, Robert McArtney, Elizabeth Greenwood, Bhavisha Pattani, Helen Williams, Duncan McRobbie, Paul Wright, Rani Khatib.

Care of the Elderly Group

Derek Taylor (Chair), Garry Todd, Christina Short, Balwinder Bolla, Rhona Petrie, Lorraine Lanchbury, Sarah Crotty.

Community Group

Gill Hawksworth (Chair), Angela Langley, Carey Halls, Jennifer Archer, Diane Harris, Valerie Sillito, Clive Jolliffe.

Critical Care Group

Mark Borthwick (Chair) Ruth Forrest, Meera Thacker, Rob Shulman, Emma Graham-Clarke, Richard Bourne.

Dermatology Group

Christine Clark (Chair), Sue Kilby, Gillian Hawksworth.

Diabetes Group

Natasha Jacques (Chair) Elizabeth Hackett, Sally James, Catherine Hamilton, Victoria Ruszala, Patricia Yerbury.

Education & Training Group

Maria Christou (Chair), Sally Lau, Ros Meju, Helen Middleton, Jeremy Liew, Aamer Safdar, Janet Gilbertson, Jill McDonald, Lizzie Mills.

Emergency Care Group

Ann Page (acting Chair), Ed England, Gail Foreshew, Alastair Graham, Kirsty Elliott.

Gastroenterology/Hepatology Steering Group

Anja St Clair-Jones (Chair), Sarah Knighton, Joyeta Das, Jackie Eastwood, Kathryn King, Sarah Cripps, Dan Greer, Siuman Tin.

Haemostasis, Anticoagulation and Thrombosis Group

Sharron Millen (Chair), Duncan McRobbie, Robin Offord, Barbara Clark, Marie Brazil, Simon Shepherd, Rosalind Byrne, Helen Williams, Jignesh Patel.

Infection Management Group

Paul Wade (Chair), Kieran Hand, Wendy Lawson, Ysobel Gourlay, Philip Howard.

Information Technology Group – Joint group with the GHP

Ewan Maule (Chair), Neil Kirby, Graeme Richardson, Jim Bannerman, Garry McCrea, Onye Chigbu, Judie Finesilver, Cheryl Way, George Gannon, Stephen Goundrey Smith, Kym Thompson.

Leadership Development Group – Joint group with the GHP

Cathy Mooney (Chair), Richard Cattell, Graeme Hall, Philip Howard, Chris Green, Catherine Duggan, Pippa Roberts, John Quinn, Scott Savage.

Medicine Safety and Quality Group

Amanda McLean (Chair), Stephen Grogan, Jane Nicholls, Margaret Stone, Rachel Leff, Gillian Cavell, David Upton, Alice Osborne, Nicola Wake.

Neurosciences Group

Shelley Jones (Chair), Ben Dorward, David de Monteverde-Robb, Louise Dunsmore, Annette Blochberger.

Pain Management Group

Roger Knaggs (Chair), Gideon Kotey, Emma Davies, Lee Wilson.

Respiratory Group

Anna Murphy (Chair), Suman Gupta, Toby Capstick, Helen Meynell, Patrick Wilson, Nicola Berns, Grainne D'Ancona, **Hasanin Khachi**.

Surgery & Theatres Group

Debra Morris (Chair), Nicola Ward, Barbara Wilson, Nicola Howarth, Angela Burgin.

10. Annual Subscription

Due to increased costs, it was deemed necessary, for the first time in three years, to increase the membership subscription fees.

The new membership fees will be as follows for the period July 2011 – June 2012:

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| Ordinary member | £71 | (from £68) |
| Direct Debit member | £66 | (from £63) |
| Overseas member | £66 plus £10 postage costs | (from £63 plus £10 postage) |
| Student member | £26 | (from £25) |
| Corporate member | £420 | (from £400) |
| BPSA member (electronic only *) | Free | |
| New overseas member(electronic only *) | £66.00 | |

*electronic membership comprises – These members are exempt from receiving any communication in hard copy and should, instead, refer to the UKCPA website to gain copies of mailings-ie, In Practice, award flyers, event notices. This does not affect membership rates to any UKCPA Masterclass or Symposia.

Proposed by Catherine Duggan, seconded by Paul Evans, accepted.

Frances Akinwunmi asked if the UKCPA planned to be electronic entirely like so many others. Sarah Carter responded that via the aid of surveys and feedback, we did not believe that the members wanted this and enjoyed 'paper' too. This was member benefit but would be under constant review due to costs too.

11. Any Other Business

None. Meeting closed at 6.13pm.

Consultation responses

UKCPA has responded to the following consultations between 1 April 2011 and 31 March 2012.

- BGS** Silverbook feedback: quality standards for the care of the elderly
- BSAC** Antibiotic treatment of endocarditis in adults
- DoH** The seasonal influenza immunization programme: a review of the procurement of seasonal vaccine
- HSCC** Inquiry into the Community pharmacy to health services in Wales
- MHRA** Arm 77, POM to P, Pariet Pharmacy 10mg Gastro-resistant tablet
- MHRA** ARM 79, P to GSL, reclassify Grisol 1% spray solution
- NICE** Anaphylaxis - draft guideline consultation
- NICE** Antibiotics for neonatal infection - draft guideline consultation
- NICE** TA133, Asthma-omalizumab (severe, persistent, patients 6+, adults)
- NICE** CG21 The assessment and prevention of falls in older people
- NICE** CG29 Pressure ulcer management
- NICE** CG35 Parkinson's disease
- NICE** CG42 Dementia - guideline review
- NICE** CG61 Irritable bowel syndrome in adults: diagnosis and management of IBS in primary care
- NICE** CG65 The management of inadvertent perioperative hypothermia in adults
- NICE** CG66 & CG87 Type 2 diabetes - newer agents
- NICE** CG67 Review of lipid modification
- NICE** CG7 Pressure relieving devices - review proposal consultation
- NICE** CG74 Surgical site infection
- NICE** Draft stable angina - quality standards
- NICE** Dyspepsia - scope consultation and GDG recruitment
- NICE** Dyspepsia - clinical guideline review consultation
- NICE** Epilepsy (update) - guideline consultation
- NICE** Falls update - scope consultation and GDG recruitment
- NICE** Familial hypercholesterolaemia - review consultation
- NICE** GC8 Multiple sclerosis
- NICE** Hepatitis B - scope consultation
- NICE** Hyperglycaemia - draft guideline consultation
- NICE** Hyperglycaemia in patients with acute coronary syndrome, wave 23 (pre pub check)
- NICE** Infection Control - draft guideline, wave 85
- NICE** Infection control - pre-publication check
- NICE** Intravenous fluid therapy - scope consultation
- NICE** Meningitis - quality standard consultation
- NICE** Myocardial infarction - draft scope consultation
- NICE** Neuropathic pain - draft guideline consultation
- NICE** Neutropenic sepsis - draft guideline consultation
- NICE** Opioids in palliative care - draft guideline consultation, wave 24
- NICE** Opioids in palliative care-scope consultation
- NICE** Organ donation for transplantation: improving donor identification and consent rates for deceased organ donation
- NICE** Osteoarthritis - clinical guideline and quality standard draft scope consultation
- NICE** Osteoporosis fragility fracture clinic - scope consultation
- NICE** Osteoporosis - guideline consultation
- NICE** preventing type 2 diabetes: risk identification and interventions for individuals at high risk - consultation on draft guidance

- NICE** Single technology appraisal (STA) rivaroxaban for the treatment of DVT and prevention of recurrent DVT and pulmonary embolism
- NICE** Smoking cessation in secondary care (acute & obstetric services and smoking cessation-mental health services)
- NICE** Smoking cessation services - consultation on the review proposal
- NICE** Smoking harm reduction - consultation on the draft scope & recruitment for GDG
- NICE** Surgical management of OME guideline CG60 review consultation
- NICE** Type 1 diabetes CG15 in children, young people and adults
- NICE** Type 2 diabetes footcare - review consultation
- NICE** Ulcerative colitis guideline - scope consultation
- NICE** Upper GI bleeding - guideline consultation
- NICE** Venous thromboembolic diseases - guideline consultation
- NICE** Workplace interventions to promote smoking cessation
- RPS** Medicine storage in clinical departments

If you would like a copy of the UKCPA response please contact the General Secretary on general.secretary@ukcpa.com

Appreciations

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the numerous people who contribute to the Association, many of whom give their time voluntarily and for the greater good of their fellow UKCPA and pharmacy colleagues.

Volunteers

Many of our members contribute to UKCPA by involving themselves in projects and tasks throughout the year. This includes marking abstracts for awards or conferences, judging poster and oral communications at conferences, or being involved in Task and Finish Groups. This work is vital to the organisation and could not be done without the dedication and hard work of those involved.

Committee members

Our General Committee members devote several hours and days to the major decisions behind the strategic direction of UKCPA. Our all-day meetings, held three times per year, are not for the faint-hearted and the expertise on the Committee is essential for ensuring the relevance and value of UKCPA for its members.

Members

Our members are, of course, our *raison d'être*. Their contributions to the online discussion boards allows best practice and expertise to be shared throughout the UKCPA membership, culminating in increased knowledge and expertise, and ultimately, better and safer patient care.

UKCPA Groups

Our specialist groups are the brains behind our events. Group committee members devote time and energy to developing excellent Masterclass, webinar and conference worksession programmes, which benefit practitioners all over the UK and beyond. In addition, they also speak at these events and as such are central in sharing knowledge and best practice to our delegates.

On a professional level, they contribute to national consultations and guideline developments and provide expertise to the media, government and to other health professionals, representing UKCPA and the pharmacy profession. By developing specialist curricula and models of professional recognition they are contributing to the profession for many years to come.

UKCPA employees

The staff in the UKCPA office – namely Marie Matthews (General Manager), Sharon Cherry (Administration Clerk), Sally Dewsbury (Membership Administrator) and Alison O'Carroll (Finance Clerk) – and Sarah Carter (General Secretary), are devoted to the Association and its members. Between them they organise around 15 UKCPA events each year and provide support and administration to the 1500+ delegates attending those events. They provide daily support to our 2300+ members, as well as coordinate the finances of the organisation, organise 11 awards, and manage several requests for consultations responses per week. Not only that, they produce all the UKCPA communications, publications and marketing material, arrange partnership events, motivate and encourage our volunteers, and keep our essential workstreams moving.

Corporate members

Our 23 corporate members are continuously generous in their support of UKCPA. They sponsor our Masterclasses and exhibit at our conferences. They also sponsor some of our awards, and recently one sponsor hosted the UKCPA General Committee at their office headquarters. Without the industry, pharmacy would not exist, and it's vital to keep the communication channels open between industry and practitioners to ensure the best care for patients.