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THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE UK CLINICAL PHARMACY ASSOCIATION

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“The UKCPA promotes expert practice in medicines management for the benefit of patients, the public and members by establishing standards, workforce development and advancing innovation in all health care settings. The UKCPA encourages **Excellence, Leadership and Partnership**”

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Chair's Report

There is an ancient saying that is intended as a curse on the recipient: 'May you live in interesting times'. It is an undoubted truth that in terms of healthcare, we are definitely living in interesting times. The health reforms are gathering pace, PCT's are set to dissolve and in their place, new clinical commissioning groups are to spring up and shape the health service with less cash, despite the political rhetoric. The Francis report also has had an impact, speaking clearly to all healthcare professionals, politicians and the public. It has laid bare the problems that occur when money is put at the centre of decision making and exposed the inadequacies of a multitude of monitoring systems that were intended to guard against declining healthcare standards whilst in the pursuit of fiscal efficiency.

As well as these developments, there is a mass of activity in relation to the education of healthcare professionals. Wrapped up within all these changes, is the very future development of pharmacy within the United Kingdom, from undergraduate level right through to the highest levels of practice.

The UKCPA exists to promote excellence, leadership and build partnerships. Our members have stepped up to the challenges of this year, we have recognised numerous individuals and groups through our awards. We have encouraged large numbers of practitioners to share their expertise, as demonstrated through the activities of the message boards on a day to day basis and the production of the copious and excellent posters on display at our conferences.

We have invested in the research agenda, members can apply for substantial grants, and as a direct result new projects are springing up. Last year's grant has been used for a project that will in all likelihood leave an enduring legacy for clinical pharmacy in the UK and has provided a wealth of data on interventions in critical care which is currently being analysed.

We have stayed true to our commitment of partnership. We have worked with other pharmacy groups to produce a comprehensive report to describe the future of professional recognition for pharmacy. We are working through the implications heralded by the RPS Faculty, and have signed a partnership agreement with the RPS that allows us to engage fully with the initiative.

We do indeed live in interesting times, and with the current tumultuous environment comes much more opportunity than curse; it is for individuals as much as it is for the UKCPA to grasp these opportunities, to shape the profession and steer it, building a profession to have the greatest possible impact on patients, to improving their health and quality of life. As I reflect on the year, I can honestly say that the UKCPA has been active, influential and pragmatic. I fully expect this to continue.

And now I'd very much like to take this opportunity to publicly thank a few people. In the past few months I have marvelled at how Chris Green was able to be the Association's Chair whilst the positions of immediate past chair and vice chair effectively lay vacant. He has made the Association ready for the challenges ahead and I continue to rely on his counsel. Thank you Chris, both for your hard work as a seasoned Chair and for your continued support to me as a somewhat green one. Our new Vice Chair, Ann Page, brings a fresh set of eyes on the activities of the UKCPA, combined with an education and training perspective that is invaluable. Anne has wisdom, combined with a wry sense of humour that I am particularly thankful for. The General Committee is stuffed full of bright, energetic professionals; thank you all for your work this past year and I look forward to a really productive year in 2013.

The UKCPA office is the heart of the UKCPA. Thank you Marie, Sharon, Alison and Sally, without you our events would not be organised and the Association would surely founder. Sarah Carter returns from maternity leave in April and I look forward to working with her again. To all members, thank you for participating; your energy, drive, professionalism and cheery engagement makes the association what it is, an active organisation that exists to improve the standard of pharmacy practice in the UK, to the benefit of patients. Keep it up!

Mark Borthwick
Chair, UKCPA
November 2012 –present

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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 officers in representing UKCPA on a number of working parties and will continue to promote UKCPA.

The Trustees have played a key role in discussions with other bodies on collaborative ventures and areas of mutual concern. We will continue to support the General Committee with this work.

We are in discussion about the future status of UKCPA - whether to move to a charity or a Social Enterprise Company. The trustees are keen to preserve the assets of the Association in this climate of change. If anyone is interested in joining the Trustees or have any questions relating to UKCPA please feel free to contact us.

Chris Acomb
Chair of Trustees
April 2013

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 included corporate advertisements which have brought in additional income. This was with the intention of potentially outsourcing the editing of the newsletter, and this possibility will be reviewed and discussed in the coming year. To my knowledge we have not received any negative comments from members regarding the inclusion of corporate advertising.

With so much information now accessed online, it will be worth periodically reviewing the benefits of a hard copy newsletter to ensure that this is what members continue to want.

2. In Focus

In February 2011 we introduced the e-bulletin *In Focus*. During the financial year of 2011-12 there were 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.

In November 2012 the General Committee agreed that the number of issues per year be reduced to four, and for these to be published in between the publications of *In Practice* (namely, February, May, August and November). No issues of *In Focus* were published between August 2012 and April 2013 due to the General Secretary being on maternity leave. However, the next issue will be released in May 2013.

This e-bulletin 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 for 2013 are as follows:

- 31 May
- 30 August
- 29 November

3. Website

No recent developments have been made on the website since mid 2012 due to lack of communication from the current website development/hosting company. The General Committee agreed at the November 2012 meeting that a bespoke website was required in order to better meet the needs of the membership. The General Manager has been investigating web development companies and has received some tender documents which will be reviewed by the General Manager and the General Secretary before reporting back to General Committee.

As of 19 April 2013 there were 1,953 active users of the website.

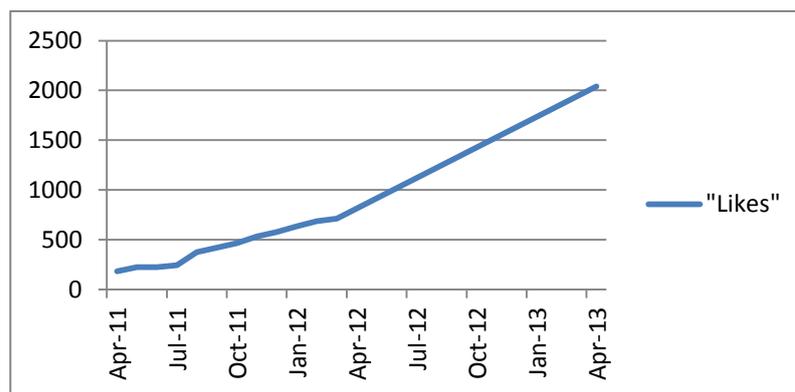
4. Social media

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 also use it to signpost to other important or interesting sources of information such as the RPS. We additionally use it more informally as a repository for photos from events.

As of 19 April 2013, 2040 people have indicated that they 'like' the Facebook page (this creates a link to the page so that they receive updates via their own Facebook newsfeed), a significant increase since this time last year (see Figure 1 below).

Figure 1: Facebook 'likes' from May 2011 to April 2013



The majority of users are in the 18-34 age bracket, with 426 people coming from the UK, and the remainder from other countries. We continue to have a large following from Egypt (517) and the East (countries such as Pakistan, India, Saudi Arabia and Iraq).

4.2 Twitter

As of 19 April 2013 we have 657 followers of our @UKCPA Twitter account. This is a marked increase on this time last year (less than 300) and the previously reported number of 181 in October 2011. Mark Borthwick has taken over the @UKCPAChair twitter account which now has 359 followers.

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.

MARKETING

5. Membership

As of 22 April 2013 UKCPA has 2395 members. This is a 2.3% increase on the previous year's figures, similar to the increase from 2011 to 2012 (see Figures 2 and 3 below).

Figure 2: Membership numbers, 2003-2013

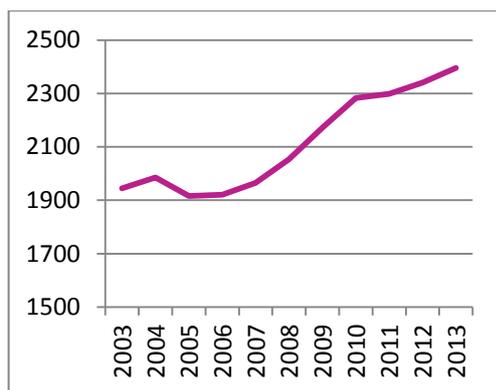


Figure 3: Percentage growth in membership



Although the rate of growth is positive it is disappointing given all the additional marketing, communications and collaborations we have developed in recent years. It is hoped that with the closer partnership with the Royal Pharmaceutical Society via the Faculty we may see our membership increase.

6. Early years practitioner special rate

In May 2012 we introduced a special offer in partnership with the BPSA, whereby 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. As of 19 April 2013, only three newly qualified ex-BPSA members have so far taken up this offer.

We will continue to promote this offer at opportune times and through appropriate channels, and monitor its uptake and whether these particular members renew their membership.

7. 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.

Based on this information, the General Committee agreed the Member Retention strategy drafted by the General Secretary. This included more active engagement with new members. Although additional emails are being sent to new members during their first year, the office does not currently have the resources or technology to personalise the communications, as hoped. It is hoped that the CRM system will take much of this burden when it is implemented.

8. International membership

There continues to be interest in UKCPA from outside the UK, which is evidenced by our members being invited to speak abroad, and our Facebook statistics. The challenge for UKCPA is to decide whether we want to actively pursue this interest and translate it into membership and event attendance and if so, how to go about it. An 'international' strategy is something I will be working on over the next 12 months.

9. 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 agreed to take a pause in the process to consider our next steps. I intend to re-introduce the possibility of a refreshed logo in the coming months.

EDUCATION

10. Webinars

During 2011/12 the UKCPA delivered five webinars in partnership with the Royal Pharmaceutical Society. Two additional webinars were delivered in Spring 2012 on diabetes and asthma.

We will continue to collaborate with the RPS on the production of free webinars, if appropriate.

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

PARTNERSHIP WORKING

11. RPS Faculty

In early 2013 the Royal Pharmaceutical Society announced it was to launch the RPS Faculty, a professional recognition programme which will provide practitioners (RPS members) with a way of identifying what they need to know at different levels of practice, across all sectors of practice, allowing them to advance their own professional practice. It will also have the function of recognising this development which will allow practitioners to demonstrate their level of attainment to others.

The UKCPA worked closely with the RPS on behalf of its Groups and in partnership with other pharmacy bodies to shape the direction, form and structures necessary and appropriate for the establishment of the Faculty.

In February 2013 the UKCPA General Committee formally agreed and signed a commitment to continue to work in partnership with the RPS Faculty.

The professional recognition work pioneered by the UKCPA Critical Care Group and recently developed by the JPCT (see below), in addition to the professional curricula developed by many UKCPA Groups, will be central to the functioning of the Faculty.

I will continue to work with colleagues at the RPS to ensure that UKCPA informs, is informed by, and is closely involved in, the new Faculty.

12. Professional recognition (credentialing)

Following a Partners meeting held at the Royal Pharmaceutical Society in January 2012, key stakeholders, including UKCPA leaders, were identified to be part of the Joint Partners Credentialing Task Group (JPCT), in order to examine the current status of formal and informal professional recognition activities in the UK.

The aims of the Joint Partners Credentialing Taskgroup (JPCT) project were to:

1. Provide expert opinion and evidence for professional recognition across all areas of practice;
2. Develop a set of principles for professional recognition for advanced levels of practice;

3. Identify a set of appropriate tools and modalities for professional recognition processes;
4. Provide a set of evidence based recommendations for professional credentialing of practitioners to inform the development of the RPS Faculty.

The resulting report *“Professional recognition and professional advancement: For our practitioners, for our profession and for our patients”* sets out the evidence gathered from 25 advanced specialist and generalist expert pharmacy groups in UK (all Partner organisations of the RPS) together with structured expert opinion and consensus formation. A literature review of professional recognition and credentialing practice from other professions and other countries is also part of the report.

The document sets out seven high level recommendations for the RPS during the Faculty development process but which also looks beyond this initial formation towards embedding full Royal College status and function. The recommendations are fully endorsed by the RPS Partners and carry an expert practice weighting which it is hoped will provide an imperative and clarity as the RPS continues with the development of the Faculty.

The full report is available on the UKCPA website: <http://www.ukcpa.net/leadership/professional-recognition>

I will continue to work with the new RPS Faculty and UKCPA leaders to build on this founding work of the JPCT.

13. 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

I will continue to work with the RPS and the UKCPA Groups to support them in developing their curricula, which will be an essential element of the professional recognition process described above.

14. Other specialist groups

UKCPA continues to enjoy a good relationship with other specialist and clinical groups, and the student association BPSA.

I will be continuing to work with these organisations over the next 12 months.

GROUP ACTIVITY

15. 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. In November 2012 our first call for applications was announced. We received 11 high quality entries from which one application was successful.

I will be working with the research project team to ensure that UKCPA members and General Committee are kept fully informed of progress throughout the duration of the project.

I am also working closely with the expert peer review panel to improve our application and peer review process for our next call in 2014.

Dr Sarah Carter
General Secretary
April 2013

Treasurer's Report

This year we have continued to develop as an organisation providing education and training, leadership and research. Our turnover in 2012/13 will be over £350k and we anticipate a profit of about £20k. Combined with last year this has restored our financial position such that we have been able to establish the UKCPA as a research grant awarding body for pharmacists.

Membership fees have remained modest but due to an expansion in numbers now bring in over £100k. Along with our sponsorship this represents 42% of our income. This allows us to run the central office and re-reimburse all the groups expenses.

Our two annual conferences turn over £150k and our Masterclasses nearly £70k. These both generate excess income that allows us the ability to underwrite further educational events and expand into research.

We have also resourced a number of projects such as the development of competency frameworks, portfolio development and practitioner assessments. These projects are aimed at developing clinical pharmacy practice as well as generating advanced practitioners.

Our Masterclasses are proving to be very popular with both participants and sponsors. This is a key way in which we develop the practitioners who attend. It also allows the development and confidence of speakers to present at conferences and share experience at big pharmacy events.

The GHP/UKCPA Joint Conference continues to be very important for this organisation and our partners in GHP. This partnership event allows us to invite key political and pharmacy leaders to come together and share their perceptions on how the NHS landscape will develop. It also allows members to present their posters, receive awards and share their experiences of pharmacy practice and innovations as they develop.

Demand to participate, network and keep up-to-date remains strong despite competition from alternative platforms. We are very grateful that our sponsors have remained loyal to us and the pool of pharmaceutical industry support has not been divided. It is this industry support, in exchange for access to pharmacy leaders that enables our costs to remain low. This collaboration is fundamental to our continued financial success.

Our Autumn Symposium event allows clinical pharmacy practitioners at all levels of practice to share their experiences in lectures and workshops. This allows those new to the profession to access mentors and clinical experts in person so that wisdom can be passed on to future generations.

We continue to develop partnerships with other specialist pharmacy groups including exploring prospects for joint conferencing and work with the Royal Pharmaceutical Society Faculty. The RPS Faculty project springs from our work on assessing competency and developing competency frameworks. Significantly, this now encompasses all the major specialist pharmacy groups with UKCPA as a key player. We hope to develop this collaboration further in the future.

In the current financial climate all resources are in short supply, both your time to attend training opportunities and those of the volunteer organisers. It is the work of unpaid committee members that provides our teaching opportunities. The resulting Masterclasses aim to inspire the young and encourage those developing frontline practice. Whilst we hope to expand this activity the free time of the organisers is

the limiting factor. If more members could assist in organising events then we could expand and ensure that what is provided matches the needs of our whole membership.

To you, the members, it is your membership fees and attendance at conferences and Masterclasses that provides our sound financial structure. This enables the UKCPA to nurture the development of future practitioners and shine a light on future professional leaders and advanced practitioners. Our financial strength enables the UKCPA to take a risk on provide exciting conferences and Masterclasses. 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. Your voice and opinion is vital to the design of future educational events. 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 2012/13

Income	2011/12	2012/13	Expenditure	2011/12	2012/13
Membership			Committees		
Ordinary & overseas	£140,450.87	£143,973.00	General	£6,433.44	£5,631.56
Student	£282.00	£78.00	EPC	£0.00	
Corporate	£7,190.00	£10,716.00	Public Relations	£0.00	
Courses			R & D	£0.00	
In house	£205,978.00	£194,789.74	BMG	£1,056.44	£1,138.71
Commissioned	£1,200.00	£1,750.00	Groups		
Sundry			Education & Training	£81.80	£94.50
Books/Practice Guides	£0.00	£0.00	Medicine Safety & Quality	£0.00	£339.92
Awards inc. admin mailing	£16,130.00	£8,715.00	Critical Care	£649.13	£1,338.79
Miscellaneous	£450.00	£0.00	HAT	£1,837.30	£58.30
Sponsorship	£86,800.00	£71,330.60	Neurosciences	£0.00	£0.00
Antiplatelet cards postage	£526.18	£845.96	Care of Elderly	£124.10	£0.00
In Practice- advertising income	£2,650.00	£2,160.00	Surgery & Theatres	£0.00	£0.00
Bank Interest	£313.33	£307.97	Infection Management	£680.00	£53.75
Sundry			Respiratory	£420.40	£188.60
Books/Practice Guides	£0.00	£0.00	Cardiology	£544.51	£285.94
			Leadership & Development	£0.00	£458.08
			Diabetes	£61.96	£795.23
			Information Technology	£0.00	£0.00
			Emergency Care	£0.00	£0.00
			Trustees	£385.06	£988.74
Total Income	£461,970.38	£434,666.27	Courses		
			In house	£157,515.93	£191,721.52
Excess over expenditure	£94,322.23	-£10,116.77	Commissioned	£1,100.00	£1,700.00
			Running costs		
			Rent and services	£8,587.55	£8,694.38
			Staffing/PAYE	£109,597.44	£105,211.48
			Accountancy/auditing	£1,800.00	£3,074.00
			Equip. & maintenance	£2,171.92	£1,424.50
			Tel/Fax/Web/Email	£4,237.56	£9,215.44
			Photocopier/copying	£14,318.70	£13,623.57
			Corporation Tax	£58.76	£62.60
			Chair release fee	£0.00	£14,566.00
			Administrative costs		
			Bank charges/dir.debits	£842.53	£903.43
			Postage/scales	£1,837.13	£2,587.29
			Stationery	£848.77	£1,061.08
			Printing	£1,398.60	£1,562.00
			Travel Expenses	£0.00	£0.00
			In Practice	£10,493.35	£9,799.99
			Staff training	£0.00	£1,685.92
			Public Relations	£303.78	£3,291.44
			Insurance	£430.59	£592.81
			Antiplatelet Cards	£3,668.27	£4,798.80
			Collaborations	£2,263.26	£15,014.18
			Group Projects	£10,625.91	£17,465.88
			Awards	£8,160.20	£7,941.60
			Miscellaneous	£363.86	£0.00
			Abstract Publications	£2,913.00	£10,584.00
			Gifts and Donations	£1,183.00	£1,091.48
			Supported		
			Meetings/Advisory Board	£10,653.90	£5,737.53
			Total expenditure	£367,648.15	£444,783.04

Disclaimer: Subject to final confirmation from our Auditors Apr 2012 - Mar 2013

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), Nazish Khan (NZ)

Committee meetings

Committee meeting planned for 21st February 2013.

Activity and Achievements

1. Contribution to consultations – committee members on NICE guidelines
NICE STEMI guidelines (SA) (in progress),
NICE secondary prevention guidelines (PW) (in progress)
NICE Acute heart failure (AW) (in progress)
2. Links with third party organisations/associations
The group has established links with the following organisations:
British Cardiovascular Society and British Cardiac Intervention Society.
NHS Education Scotland (Pharmacy).
Webinar (Acute Heart failure),
Distance Learning Pack Updates (Chronic Heart failure, Atrial Fibrillation, Coronary Heart Disease)
CPPE Distance Learning Pack Updates (Arrhythmias, Vascular Risk (RK), Heart Failure (RK))
3. Other National committee involvement/collaborations
4. Scottish Government Cross Party Group on Heart Disease and Stroke (SM - RPS representative)

Publications

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

1. Clinical Pharmacist:

- Antoniou S, Wright P. Stable angina Management. *Clin Pharm* 2012; **4(1)**: 13-17
- Wright P, Antoniou S. Stable angina: clinical features and diagnosis. *Clin Pharm* 2012 **4(1)**: 10-12

2. Other publications

- Jones DA, Rathod KS, Howard JP, Gallagher S, Antoniou S et al. Safety and feasibility of hospital discharge 2 days following primary percutaneous intervention for ST-segment elevation myocardial infarction. *Heart*, 2012; **98(23)**: 1722-1727.
- Camm AJ, Arden C, Choy AM, Williams H et al. A consensus position statement. 2012 [Translating regulatory advice into practice: use of dronedarone and older anti-arrhythmics in AF management](#). *Br J Cardiol* 2012;**19**:122–3

- Alan Begg, Susan Connolly, Julian Halcox, Agnes Kaba, Linda Main, Kausik Ray, Henry Purcell, Helen Williams, Derek Yellon. 2012 [Omega-3 fatty acids in cardiovascular disease: re-assessing the evidence](#) *Br J Cardiol* 2012;19:79–84
- Atack K & **Khatib R**. 2012. An Audit on Stroke Prevention in Atrial Fibrillation. Poster presentation at the UKCPA Progress in Practice Autumn Residential Symposium. Chester, Nov 2012. (RK)
- **Khatib R**, et al. 2012. Adherent and Non-adherent Coronary Heart Disease Patients' Perceptions about Medicines and Healthcare Services. *European Journal of Cardiovascular Prevention and Rehabilitation* 19(Suppl1); S59. (RK)
- **Khatib R**, et al. 2012. Adherence to Secondary Prevention Medicines by Coronary Artery Disease Patients - Exploring Barriers to Inform Interventions. *Journal of American College of Cardiology* 59(13); A358. (RK)
- **Khatib R**, et al. 2012. Documenting medication changes: looking at the current trends on cardiology wards. *International Journal of Pharmacy Practice* 2012, 20(Suppl 1); 53. (RK)
- **Khatib R**. 2012. Update on Vascular Risk - a focal point learning programme for pharmacists. March 2012. Published by CPPE.
- Hastrup M and **Williams H**: 2012. Rivaroxaban and Novel Oral Anticoagulant. *B J of Cardiac Nursing* In press
- **Williams H**. 2012. Hypertension: an Update for Prescribers Nurse Prescribing. In Press

3. Books

- **Antoniou S** and **Wright P**. Interventional pharmacology (Annexe 1). PCR-EAPCI Textbook of Percutaneous Interventional Cardiovascular Medicine. 2012 EuroPCR.
- **Antoniou S** and Sporton S,. Clinical Pharmacy and therapeutics. Chapter 22. Arrhythmias. Elsevier, 5th Edition. 2012
- **Williams H**. 2012 Chapter 2: Drugs for the Heart: Oxford Handbook of Cardiology. Edit: Hill J and Ramrahka P.

Events

- Advanced Cardiology, 29th March 2012. London (SA/PW)
- Introduction to Cardiology, 6th September 2012, Manchester (RK/HW)

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

Moderated Poster Presentation. Adherence to Secondary Prevention Medicines by Coronary Artery Disease Patients. The American College of Cardiology Conference 2012, Chicago. USA. **(RK)**

Moderated poster presentation. Perception of Adherent and Non-adherent Coronary Heart Disease Patients about Secondary Prevention Medicines. The European Society of Cardiology EuroPREvent 2012 conference, Dublin. **(RK)**

Invited International Speaker. 2nd Clinical Pharmacy Conference. *Medicines Optimisation and Stroke Prevention in AF - Pharmacists Role*. Abu Dhabi, UAE. Oct 2012. **(RK)**

Invited speaker. Nursing and Midwifery Conference. *Patients Use of GTN in CHD*. Leeds. May 2012. **(RK)**

Invited Speaker - Society of Cardiothoracic Surgeons of GB and Ireland Annual Conference March 17th-19th 2013 Presentation: Advances in Antiplatelet Therapy **(NK)**

Invited Speaker - Society of Cardiothoracic Surgeons of GB and Ireland Advanced Cardiothoracic Study Day - November 23rd 2012 Presentations: Antibiotic Management of Infective Endocarditis
Antibiotic Management of Post-Operative Complications **(NK)**

Programme Guardian of Vascular Risk Programme publication. Centre for Pharmacy Postgraduate Education (CPPE), UK. (Reviewed in Dec 2012) **(RK)**

Programme Guardian of arrhythmias. Centre for Pharmacy Postgraduate Education (CPPE), UK. (Reviewed March 2012) **(NK)**

Co-ordinator. Clinical Pharmacy and Research Experience (Cardiology) at the Leeds Teaching Hospitals. In collaboration with the University of Huddersfield, International pharmacy experience exchange programme with Wilkes University Nesbitt College of Pharmacy, Pennsylvania, USA. **(RK)**
Keele University - Post-graduate Clinical Diploma - Cardiovascular 2 Module Review and Update (Reviewed March 2012) **(NK)**

Keele University - Preparatory Course for Pharmacist Independent Prescribers - Heart Failure Module - Review and Update (Reviewed October 2012) **(NK)**

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Antibiotic Management of Post-Operative Complications **(NK)**

Any other matters to report

Targets and group projects for 2013/14

Will be discussed and agreed at the next committee meeting to be held in 21st Feb 2013.

Sponsorship secured from the industry for the group

Pfizer sponsorship for paper on AF and QIPP in collaboration with HAT

Sotiris Antoniou on behalf of the Cardiac Group Committee
2013

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

Group members

There are 308 members registered for the Care of the Elderly website Group and 943 members on the Stroke website Group.

Committee meetings

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

Activity and Achievements

- The final release of the approved & formatted version of the Professional Curriculum for Advanced Practice in Care of Older People – this document continues to be endorsed by the British Geriatrics Society.
- Representation on the RCP Intercollegiate Stroke Working Party

Publications

- In Practice - the committee has contributed to all recent editions.

Masterclasses (held since last annual report)

The Group ran a Masterclass entitled “Managing Dementia and Delirium in the Older Person” in Birmingham on 19th September 2012. Whilst the number of delegates was lower than in previous years, the feedback was very positive from those who attended. Copies of the presentations and workshops are available on the UKCPA website.

Proposed Masterclasses

The Group is planning a joint Masterclass with the Pain Management Group, entitled “Pain in Older People – The Silent Epidemic”, to be held in London on 11th September 2013.

GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Symposium 2012/13

- The Group liaised with the College of Mental Health Pharmacists to help run a workshop for the May 2012 symposium, entitled “Treatment of Behaviour in Dementia that Challenges”.
- The Group liaised with the UK Ophthalmic Pharmacy Group to help run a workshop for the November 2012 symposium, entitled “Eye Disease in the Older Population”.

Feedback was very positive from both sessions and copies of the presentations and case studies are available on the UKCPA website.

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

None in 2012/13

Any other matters to report

1. Targets for 2013/14

- 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 Practice in Care of Older People
- d) Further development of links with British Geriatric Society
- e) Advertise and further increase membership and usage of the new website

2. Sponsorship secured from the industry for the group – none

3. 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

January 2013

UKCPA Community Group Annual Report

Current Committee

Chair: Gill Hawksworth

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

Group members

There are 136 members registered for the e-mail network. New committee members in attendance in 2012 were Sanjeev Kaushal (Lloyds), Alison Wheeler (Pfizer) and pre-reg Ruth Odumeso. Virtual new committee members are Cath O'Brien (Wales) and Ash Soni (RPS board member-associate member).

Committee meetings 2012

The annual Community Group committee meeting was held at the November conference 2012.

Activity and Achievements

1. Contribution to consultations

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

2. Links with third party organisations/associations

The Chair has progressed joint working with Lloyds pharmacy and NPA. 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'. Another successful fringe session with Lloyds was held in November about how community pharmacy can work with hospital pharmacy to reduce hospital admissions.

The Chair has represented the UKCPA community group at the partnership meeting with RPS on professional recognition and has been working throughout the year via teleconferences and meetings on the development of the new Faculty.

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

The UKCPA Community Group has been working closely with some Local Practice Forums through its membership and supported marketing of UKCPA to the WYLPF at their showcase in February 2012.

3. Department of Health

Using CPPE L@Lunch materials supported by DH, through the community pharmacy slot at the May and November 2012 conferences the group chair has worked closely with Local Pharmaceutical committees and NHS trusts to encourage hospital pharmacists throughout the country to support the community pharmacy new medicine services and targeted MURs following discharge through essential cross sector communication.

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 e.g. as speakers or core topics for sessions.

New formal links with WCPPE and RPS through new virtual members.

5. International

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

Publications

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

In Practice articles from the Chair:

- i) Obesity-a call for action (Healthy living pharmacies initiative) January 2012
- ii) Essential cross sector communication to support the role out of the new community pharmacy advanced services April 2012
- iii) The impact of the Health and Social care Bill (LPNs) July 2012
- iv) Changes to the MUR requirements October 2012
- v) CPD pharmacy technicians submitted November 2012

Other activity

- Publications by Chair with contributions from Valerie Sillito.
- Pharmacy magazine
- Community pharmacy-Public health in the UK (England, Scotland and Wales).
- Education and training article.

Masterclasses

None held in 2012

Proposed Masterclasses

Possible sponsored full day event on Health improvement behaviour change.

GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences

Joint conference in Belfast May 2012: Hospital pharmacists role in the NMS and targeted MURs, delivered by Gill Hawksorth. An example of how community pharmacy could help support hospital pharmacists with regard to preventing 28 day re-admission i.e. showcasing the importance and value of medicines

adherence in community pharmacy and supporting best practice -transfer of care/essential cross sector communication (hospital pharmacists referral to the new community pharmacy service/CPPE L@L).

Webinar 2012 (UKCPA/RPS) on essential cross sector communication to support the new medicine service and targeted MURs in England January 26th 2012 was successful. Future one to be arranged on Public health (HLPs, long term conditions and community pharmacy Jan 2013).

UKCPA Symposium 2012

All sessions well attended apart from the Sunday morning session.*

- i) November 2012 conference workshops:
‘Essential cross sector communication’*: learning from early experience in transfer of care –Gill Hawksworth
‘HLPs’: Deborah Evans (NPA)/Jennifer Archer.
‘Hospital pharmacy and QIPP’: creating a patient centred service (Lloyd’s pharmacy).
- ii) November 2012 conference Fringe meeting: with Sanjeev Kaushal –Lloyds and Gill Hawksworth: ‘How can hospital and community pharmacy work together to reduce hospital re-admissions?’
- iii) November 2012 conference- ‘Top tips for pre-registration tutors’
Committee member Clive Jolliffe once again gave an excellent and useful presentation jointly with education and training group (Aamer Safdar). The session was very well attended and the feedback was very good.

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

West Yorkshire LPF 2012 showcase event –UKCPA marketing of membership.

Any other matters to report

1. Targets for 2012/13

New wording re-confirmed at group meeting November 2012 on website.

UKCPA Community Group

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

Thank you for the support from Pfizer ongoing for 2012 and 2013. Angela Langley is joined from Pfizer by Alison Wheeler who is now to be working closely with the community group going forward.

Group projects in progress

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

Following up future possible work with Numark (Mimi Lau) and ongoing work with Lloyds.

Future activities

- **Webinar**-A future joint RPS/UKCPA webinar on Healthy living pharmacies and hospital pharmacists with Gill Hawksworth, Chris Acomb and Nigel Hughes (HLP at CPWY) on January 17th 2013.

Topic suggestions for future conference work streams:-

May 2013 Joint conference

Crossing the Interface – revolutionising transfer of care -Alistair Gray

The topics covered will be:

- Spreadable methods to improve transfer of care into and out of secondary care, including Care Home 'Golden Rules' and transfer of care. Ward round and ward visit checklists to improve transfer of care
- e-referral to community pharmacies for NMS, post-discharge MURs and sharing of discharge information.

November 2013

- Educational topics –topics suggested to joint conference on commissioning submitted.
- Next year-fringe session –Sanjeev Kaushal and James Murray clinical developments.
- Topic suggestions for future community pharmacy group work streams Nov 2013:- Sanjeev Kaushal Lloyds possibly to work with Stan Dobranski from Bradford hospital-Good practice discharges .Also information governance (IOC) topic.
- Full day session possible sponsored - Health improvement behaviour change.

Succession planning-

- Membership - Vice chair Jennifer Archer. New committee members are now able to spread the workload.

The Chair of the group was greatly encouraged at the success of the community pharmacy conference slots in 2012 compared to 2011, and our new partnership working with the NPA and Lloyd's 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 2013

Critical Care Group Annual Report

Current Committee

Chair: Greg Barton

Committee Members: Mark Borthwick, Ruth Forrest, Robert Shulman, Emma Graham-Clarke, Richard Bourne, Meera Thacker, David Sapsford

Group members

There are 579 members registered for the e-mail network, a 27% increase on last year.

Committee meetings 2012

April 2012

Activity and Achievements

Contribution to consultations

Greg Barton sat on the Paracetamol Expert Advisory Group representing the UKCPA for the MHRA/CHM lead Implementation of changes to the management of paracetamol overdose

Links with third party organisations/associations

Emma Graham-Clarke elected to Nurse and AHP committee, Intensive Care Society

Continue to promote links with Scottish Intensive Care Society. Links made with the newly formed Faculty of Intensive Care Medicine (FICM)

Department of Health

Nothing of note

Other National committee involvement/collaborations

Mark Borthwick and Rob Shulman were members of the Joint Partners Credentialing Task group (JPCT).

International

Ruth Forrest ran a workshop at a pharmacy conference in Oman.

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**
- **Barton G J**
Viewpoint from UKCPA, Working in critical care
Pharmacy Magazine; October 2012: 12
- **Robert Shulman and Mark Borthwick** contributed to *Professional recognition and professional advancement: Joint Partners Credentialing Task group (JPCT), a report for the Royal Pharmaceutical Society and wider profession*. Evidence based recommendations: credentialing of practitioners

- Francis JJ, Duncan EM, Prior ME, MacLennan GS, Dombrowski SU, Bellingan G, Campbell MK, Eccles MP, Rose L, Rowan KM, **Shulman R**, Wilson APR et al. Selective decontamination of the digestive tract in critically ill patients treated in Intensive Care Units: a mixed-methods feasibility study (the SuDDICU study). Health Technology Assessment (in press) 2013.

Masterclasses (held since last annual report)

- 2nd March 2012, Kingsway Hall Hotel, London

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.

- 25th September 2012, Kingsway Hall Hotel, London

This Advanced Practitioner Meeting was, as usual, oversubscribed and covered a wide array of topics including talks on the management of heart failure on the intensive care and specifically the role of Levosimendan, prescribing renal replacement therapy and anticoagulants. The highlight though was arguably David Aaronovitch’s portrayal of his delirious time on a Critical Care unit.

Proposed Masterclasses

- 8th March 2013, Kingsway Hall Hotel, London – “Starting out in critical care”
- 27th September 2013, Kingsway Hall Hotel, London – Advanced practitioner meeting

GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Symposium 2012/13

Planned contributions to the GHP/UKCPA 9th Joint Conference, 2013.

Any other matters to report

- PROTECTED study is completed and will be published this coming year
- The committee is hoping to run a 5th Credentialing day in October 2013
- Greg Barton is chairing a working group to develop guidelines for the management of gut immobility

Greg Barton, on behalf of the Critical Care Group Committee

March 2013

Diabetes UKCPA Group Final Annual Report 2011-12

Current Committee

Chair: Catherine Hamilton (CH)

Committee Members: Natasha Jacques (NJ), Sally James (SJ), Elizabeth Hackett (EH), Victoria Ruzala (VR), Philip Newland-Jones (PNJ), Patricia Yerbury (PY)

Group members

There are 289 members registered to the message board.

Committee meetings 2012

21st February 2012

18th November 2012 (at autumn symposium)

Activity and Achievements

Contribution to consultations

- London Procurement Programme Diabetes Workstream (CH)
- RPS Professional Curricula Development Group (CH)
- Joint British Diabetes Societies for Inpatient Care Group – clinical guideline writing groups (NJ / SJ)

Links with third party organisations/associations

- Renal Pharmacists Group (invited to attend and speak at our masterclass; CH/SJ attended and ran a workshop at their annual conference)
- Diabetes UK: NJ has been appointed the pharmacist representative on the D-UK national committee
- Joint British Diabetes Societies for Inpatient Care Group

Other National committee involvement/collaborations

- NICE Type 1 Diabetes in Adults guideline development group: VR
- NICE Type 2 Diabetes in Adults; guideline development group: NJ
- Parliamentary National Diabetes Think Tank: PNJ

Publications

The committee members have been actively publishing on Diabetes and Endocrinology matters. These include:

- In Practice: NJ: April 2012, VR: July 2012, PY: Oct 2012, EH: Jan 2013
- Pharmacy Magazine: CH “Adherence to Diabetes Medication” Sept 12
- Other publications:
 - **Hamilton C.A.** (2012). Pharmacological management of type 2 diabetes mellitus in patients with CKD. *Journal of Renal Care* **38**(Suppl. 1), 59-66
 - **James S** “Supporting Patients with medication adherence” *Diabetes & Primary Care* Vol 14, No 4; 2012
 - Joint British Diabetes Societies for Inpatient Care Group “Self Management of diabetes in hospital” March 2012. Guideline writing group: **Sally James & Natasha Jacques**
 - Joint British Diabetes Societies for Inpatient Care Group “Glycaemic management during the inpatient enteral feeding of stroke patients with diabetes” June 2012. Guideline writing group: **Natasha Jacques**
 - Allen J, **Newland-Jones P** “How to manage adults with hyponatraemia” *Clinical Pharmacist*. 2012; 4:262-264

Masterclass

Title: Making sense of diabetes and kidney disease

Venue: Novotel, Bristol 19/6/12

Sponsors: Boehringer Ingelheim / Lilly (alliance); Lilly UK; Novo Nordisk; sanofi

Comments: Due to generalist diabetes sessions at November symposia, we opted for an advanced, specialist topic for this year’s Masterclass. Feedback from previous sessions indicated a preference from delegates that we offer a session in the South West. Attendance numbers were lower than we usually see, perhaps due to difficulty travelling to Bristol or to specialist topic. Despite inviting Renal Pharmacists Group members at UKCPA member delegate rates, we had just 1 attendee from the RPG. We propose returning to more central location and generalist topic next year.

Proposed Masterclass

11th June, 2013, London: "Insulin made really easy" (Venue and PM sessions shared with safety group)

GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Symposium 2012

Autumn symposium workshops:

- "Peri op diabetes management" VR (with UKCPA Surgery group)
- "Self administration and adherence in diabetes" SJ & CH

Abstract / poster marking:

- Diabetes award marking 2012 (VR / SJ)
- GHP/UKCPA Joint conference abstract marking 2012 (PY / CH)
- UKCPA Autumn symposium abstract marking 2012 (SJ / VR / CH)
- UKCPA Autumn symposium poster marking 2012 (VR)
- Diabetes award presented to Natasha Jacques "Improving insulin & anti-diabetes prescribing"

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

- Renal Pharmacists Conference Sept 2012 "Diabetes in renal patients" (SJ & CH)
- National Diabetes Inpatient Conference Dec 2012 "Reducing inpatient diabetes prescription errors" (PNJ)
- RPS/UKCPA: Webinar "Blood Glucose Monitoring, a sticky situation" Speakers: (VR & NJ); Chair: (CH)
- Pharmacy Management regional workshops "Delivering Diabetes Medicines Optimisation in Practice" (EH)
- South London LPC: New Medicines Service Training Programme for Community Pharmacists "Type 2 Diabetes" (CH)
- Southampton & West Hampshire LPF "Diabetes MUR training for community pharmacists" (PNJ)
- Wessex Endocrine and Diabetes Association meeting "Role of Specialist Pharmacist Practitioners" (PNJ)
- Solent Diabetes Conference (for GPs and GPwSIs) "Update on diabetes" (PNJ)

Other Education and training provision:

- South London Health Information and Education Cluster e-learning module for community pharmacists "Medicines adherence in Diabetes: How to support your patients" Steering group member and author (CH)
- *Unity 101* Radio station broadcasts "Question time on diabetes" (PNJ)
- CPPE Diabetes learning module assessment review – assessment guardian (EH)
- CPPE Type 2 diabetes focal point –guardian & author / reviewer (SJ)
- CPPE Endocrine module – Programme guardian (VR)
- Diabetes UK patient education sessions and wellness day in Hampshire (PNJ)
- MPharm undergraduate diabetes teaching delivery / course design
 - Kings College London (CH)
 - Bath (VR)
 - Portsmouth (PNJ)
- Post-graduate diabetes courses, design & teaching:
 - Leicester DeMontfort MSC in Diabetes "Adult Inpatients" module (EH)
 - DeMontfort PGdip for pharmacists; diabetes module (EH)
 - Kings College London PGdip for community pharmacists; diabetes module (CH)
 - Liverpool John Moores - Clin Pharm Dip: Diabetes and Endocrine module tutor (SJ)
 - Bath Post grad diploma for pharmacists – Diabetes & Endocrine module (VR)

- Portsmouth PGDip – Diabetes and Endocrine content and specialist training (PNJ)

Any other matters to report

The group changed name, scope and aims and objectives this year to reflect increasing demand for advice on wider endocrinology issues. The Diabetes group thus became the Diabetes and Endocrinology Group and announced this change at our Masterclass in June.

We were pleased to welcome a new committee member this year. Philip Newland-Jones is the Diabetes and Endocrinology Pharmacist at University Hospital Southampton and has already contributed to our work by presenting at the National Diabetes Inpatient Conference in December. We look forward to welcoming Phil officially at his first committee meeting next month.

The group have added their support to a multi-professional organisation letter to the NHS Commissioning Board. The focus of this letter is to retain the NHS Diabetes existing work programmes and to have a diabetes specific function within the Improvement Body.

Sponsorship secured from the industry for the group (excluding Masterclass)

None

Group targets / projects in progress

Diabetes professional curricula – completion and RPS endorsement

Increasing input to CPPE modules and assessments

Articles in press for 2013 publication:

- Clinical Pharmacist “Focus on type 1 diabetes” EH/NJ
- Clinical Pharmacist “Dapagliflozin” VR

Other potential projects (pending securing of funding):

- Development of National Guidelines on use of PRN short acting insulin to control hyperglycaemia in hospital inpatients
- Review of Pharmacy undergraduate diabetes teaching and learning across UK

Next committee meeting

5th March 2013

Catherine Hamilton, on behalf of the Diabetes Group Committee

March 2013

Education & Training Group Annual Report 2011/12

Current Committee

Chair: Maria Christou

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

Group members

There are 277 members registered for the e-mail network, a 10% increase on last year.

Committee meetings 2012

Held on 2nd May 2012 at the John Radcliffe NHS Trust, Oxford

Activity and Achievements

Contribution to consultations:

Individual members contributed to all government consultations on the 'Developing the Healthcare Workforce' consultation

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 Reading, The University of Keele

Department of Health:

Aamer Safdar started work with the NHS leadership Academy on the 'leadership Fundamentals e-learning project (November 2012)

Other National committee involvement/collaborations:

Ongoing interaction and collaboration with the NHS Pharmacy Education & Development Committee

International: None

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 2012

Pharmacy Magazine: [None]

British Journal of Clinical Pharmacy: [None]

Clinical Pharmacist: [None]

Any other publications: [None]

Masterclasses

The annual E&T Group Masterclass was held on: 10th October 2012.

Title: Changes in Pharmacy Education

Venue: Birmingham.

Delegate number: 17

Sponsorship: [None]

Delegate feedback: Positive comments regarding the variety of topics, knowledge base and enthusiasm of presenters.

Proposed Masterclasses

No plans at present

GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Symposium 2012

GHP/UKCPA Conference – 20-22 May 2012:

Aamer Safdar: Assessed abstracts submitted for the conference.

Helen Middleton: Facilitated two workshops titled: 'Conceptualising advanced practice in pharmacy' and 'Building an advanced practice portfolio'

Maria Christou: Adjudicated posters during the conference.

UKCPA Symposium 16-18 November 2012:

Aamer Safdar: Presented plenary lecture titled 'Reflections on the Clinical Leadership Fellowship' and also adjudicated posters of Pre-registration audits (Pfizer Award)

Clive Joliffe: Contributed to the adjudication of oral presentations for the Hameln Pharmaceuticals award.

Aamer Safdar and Clive Joliffe: Delivered a fringe meeting titled: 'Being an effective Pre-reg Tutor'.

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

Aamer Safdar presented at the Clinical Leadership Fellowship Conference 'A time to Shine' (organised by the NHS Leadership Academy) September 2012

Any other matters to report - None

Targets for 2013

- Continue active engagement in 'Partnership Working Groups' of the UKCPA e.g. the RPS Faculty Task & Finish Groups
- 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
- Organise and deliver E&T work sessions for the GHP/UKCPA 9th Joint National Conference (17-19 May 2013) and the UKCPA Autumn Residential Symposium (22-24 November 2013) Symposia in association with the UKCPA Business Planning Committee.

Sponsorship secured from the industry for the group [None as yet]

Group projects in progress

Several committee members are involved in the RPS Faculty Task & Finish Groups on Accreditation and Credentialing.

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

March 2013

Gastroenterology/Hepatology Group Annual Report

Current Committee

Chair: Anja St. Clair Jones

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

Committee meetings

Conducted virtually.

Activity and Achievements

1. Contribution to consultations

- Member of topic expert group for NICE quality standard on upper gastrointestinal bleeding

- NICE Crohn's guidelines
- NICE Ulcerative Colitis guidelines

2. Links with third party organisations/associations :

- BPNG
- UK and Eire Liver Transplant Pharmacist Group
- Programme guardian for CPPE package on IBD

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
- St. Clair Jones A. Mesalazine in the treatment of ulcerative colitis. Hospital Pharmacy Europe 2012;63:33
- Swabe J, Wijayasekara C, Allen J, Cummings F. Optimising Out-patient Parenteral Iron Administration Using Total Dose Infusions. Gut 2012;61 Suppl 2: A81

Masterclasses

Hep Hep Hurray: Gastroenterology/Hepatology Group Masterclass for advanced practitioners, held at Kingscourt Hotel London

Attendance: 36

Proposed Masterclasses

Oh My GORD: Gastro/hepatology general practitioners Masterclass

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

Jaquiline Swabe – Poster presentation DDF Liverpool

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 2013

HAT Group Annual Report

Current Committee

Chair: Barbara Clark, Lead Clinical Pharmacist, London Bridge Hospital

Vice Chair: Vacant

Committee Members:

Sharron Millen - Head of Clinical Pharmacy, Southampton University Hospitals 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

Frances Akinwunmi – Consultant Pharmacist, Anticoagulation, Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust

The following individuals have stepped down from the committee :

Jig Patel – Pharmacist, Kings College Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

Marie Brazil - Consultant Pharmacist Haematology Services, Wirral University Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

New Committee Members (January 2013) :

Katherine Sterling – Consultant Pharmacist, Anticoagulation, Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

Rebecca Chanda – Senior Pharmacist, Anticoagulation, Guy's and St Thomas NHS Foundation Trust

HAT Mission Statement:

“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 working with our valued partners to offer pharmacists exemplary training and education to match their needs & support pharmacists seeking to access R&D to build evidence based practice within this field. . Realisation of this will depend on skill and expertise of the HAT committee in driving this agenda forward.”

Group members

Since 2010 membership of the group has increased to 421 members.

Committee Meetings 2012/2013

Committee meetings were held in November 2012 (London) & January 2013 (London). Minutes are available on request.

Activity and Achievements:

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.
- **Nice Innovation Committee (NIC):**
 - Support and input provided to the NICE Innovation Committee (NIC) focussing on the uptake of the new oral anticoagulants across the UK.
- **Membership of All Party Thrombosis Group (APPTG).**
 - Attendance and presentations at meetings.
- **Membership of the UK Thromboprophylaxis Forum:**
 - Attendance and presentations at meetings.
- **Membership of the NHS VTE Board:**
 - Attendance and presentations at meetings
- **Membership of All Party AF Group:**
 - 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. The aim is to provide support for audit and research activities. Various work streams in progress.

Other national committee involvement/collaborations

- Provided a professional statement for the NICE STA on 'Rivaroxaban for the treatment and prevention of recurrent deep vein thrombosis
- Provided a professional statement for the NICE STA on 'Rivaroxaban for the treatment and prevention of recurrent deep vein thrombosis and pulmonary embolism'
- Invited to comment on the NICE Quality Standards for VTE prevention
- 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
- Invited to participate in a project run by Insight/Pfizer looking at the implications of the new oral anticoagulants for SPAF on the QIPP agenda. Multi-disciplinary meeting run by HAT committee members and report produced to be circulated to the three professions group.
- About to expand series of FAQs on anticoagulation use in collaboration with UKMi

Conferences

- HAT supported work at the 'Association of Hospital Pharmacists' meeting in Milan 2012.
- A group member presented at the 'Anticoagulation in Practice' conference in May 2012
- A group member presented at the RPS 'Medicines Safety Symposium' in June 2012

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' and on VTE Prophylaxis in 'The Journal of Men's Health'. The group has had several opinion pieces published in the Pharmaceutical Journal and have written chapters for an anticoagulant book on the new oral anticoagulant agents and a case-study based book for pharmacy undergraduates. The committee

also contributed an article to the 'Pharmacy' journal in April 2012.

Masterclasses 2012

- Something old, something new' – London April 2012
- General Level Anticoagulation – London October 2012.

Proposed Masterclass 2013

- Dealing with the complications of anticoagulants – October 2013

GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences & UKCPA Symposium 2012/2013

Nov 2012

- New Oral Anticoagulants (General Level)

May 2013

- Advances in VTE Management (Intermediate Level)

Nov 2013

- TBC

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

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

Sponsorship Secured From Industry

- Sponsorship received from Pfizer for work on 'Insight Project' looking at the implications of the new oral anticoagulants for SPAF on the QIPP agenda
- Sponsorship received from Leo Pharmaceuticals for advisory board on VTE prophylaxis in cancer and to expand series of FAQs on anticoagulants.

Barbara Clark, on behalf of the HAT Group Committee

March 2013

Joint GHP/UKCPA IT Group Annual Report

Committee

Chair: Ewan Maule (UKCPA representative)

Committee Members:

Jim Bannerman (Treasurer)

Onye Chigbu (Secretary)

Garry McCrea (FDBE Award)

Graeme Richardson (GHP Council Representative)

Stephen Goundrey Smith (Consultations)

Judie Finesilver - Articles/ PR

Cheryl Way - Articles/ PR

George Gannon

Neil Kirby

Dan Mandeman

Committee meetings

- Annual Away Day, 28th February 2012
- Annual Seminar, 16th October 2012
- Various teleconference sessions

Overview

The joint GHP and UKCPA Information and Technology Group, was re-formed in 2006 from the GHP ITIG. The remit of the group has differed from the original ITIG and from other UKCPA Groups in that it has sought the participation of practitioners across all clinical specialities, rather than aiming to enrol pure I&T specialists. In fact, this diversity of membership has been essential for the continued functioning and success of the Group and we have continually tried to broaden the diversity, as technology and its application advances.

The Joint GHP/UKCPA Information and Technology Group has tried 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. However the primary aim of the group was to increase awareness amongst clinical practitioners of key technological changes on the horizon and their likely positive impact on the quality of information available to practitioners in influencing clinical and operational decision making.

Annual Seminar 2011

The Joint GHP/UKCPA IT Group held the sixth annual seminar on 16th October 2012. As part of a re-evaluation of the seminar, it was moved to a smaller venue to reduce costs. It welcomed just over a 45 delegates with a mixed range of backgrounds to the MacDonald Burlington Hotel in Birmingham and also had a well supported exhibition with 6 exhibitors.

The focus of the seminar was on 'Safe IT Systems? Safe Patients?' with an emphasis on the safety agenda. The key note presentation by Professor Bryony Dean Franklin on 'Safe IT Systems? Safe Patients?' covered whether the deployment of technology improves patient safety. Other presentations included: patient protection in Belgian Pharmacies using online authentication, by Guido Hoogewijs from the Belgian Pharmaceutical Association; the Aintree experience with the JAC ePrescribing and eMedicines Administration system, by Alex Jennings; the Guy's and St Thomas's experience with Omnicell drug storage cabinets; an investigation into the incidence, types and causes of prescribing errors on handwritten and electronic discharge prescriptions, by Rowena Duffield; the Summary Care Record Programme, by Andy Carr, and the presentation of the joint GHP/UKCPA Information Technology award winner on a live solution to medicines storage audit.

Consultation Responses

The Joint GHP/UKCPA IT Group have not responded to any consultations in 2012.

Other Contributions

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

- Pan Pharmacy IT Group meeting attendance now known as the Pharmacy IM&T Strategy Group.
- 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 2013

Unfortunately, following the seminar in October the financial situation of the group has become such that the group has no funds available to plan any future events. While there continues to be support for the need for an ITIG within the group, GHP, UKCPA and the RPS, attendance at the organised events have not supported this. So it was with some sadness that I have to record the end of ITIG for the foreseeable future.

Some of the committee are looking at re-launching the group and are in discussion to produce a business case to GHP NPC on how the group could be financially viable moving forward. This may include working with current or new partners.

As a result there are no plans to hold a Joint GHP/UKCPA ITIG Seminar this year and there are no plans to hold any further meetings. The GHP will continue its involvement in the Pharmacy IM&T Strategy Group as I will now be attending the group.

Awards

Mawdsleys, the sponsors of the joint UKCPA/GHP Information Technology award presented the joint UKCPA/GHP Information Technology award in 2012 to the winners Neil Carvell and Debbie Brenton from Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust for their work on a live solution for auditing medicines storage, receiving the £1500 first prize and to Alex Jennings from Aintree University Hospital for his work on making intelligent use of electronic prescribing.

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. The future of the Mawdsleys and joint UKCPA/GHP Information Technology Award will be picked up by those committee members who are writing the business case to try to re-launch the group.

Finally as it is likely that this will be my last ITIG annual report, I would like to pay thanks to all my colleagues who have been involved in ITIG over the past years, for their work in contributing to the organisation of the seminars and the other work of the group.

Graeme Richardson (GHP Council representative), on behalf of the Joint GHP/UKCPA IT Group
March 2013

Infection Management Group Annual Report

Committee developments

Paul Wade, IMG chair stepped down at the end of 2012 and was thanked for his input. Due to the increased demands on the committee a new proposed structure was implemented in March 2013 similar to the critical care group. The following portfolios and lead for each were established: education, fundraising, certification, publications, website and research and development. A new chair was co-opted, Mark Gilchrist, consultant pharmacist in Infection, Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust, London and secretary Jamie Cheong, specialist pharmacist Antimicrobials, Royal Brompton Hospital, London.

Group members

The Infection Management group (IMG) continued to grow in numbers and in activities throughout the last year. There are over 550 members of the newsgroup which remains very active, representing not only pharmacists working directly in Infection Management but across many other specialties.

Masterclass

A Masterclass entitled 'New Ideas for Old Infections' was held June 2012 in London. The 2011 Novartis Infection Management award was delivered by Hayley Wickens on behalf of other IMG colleagues Mark Gilchrist, Wendy Lawson and Tracy Lyons from Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust entitled 'An integrated package of educational materials to support appropriate anti-infective prescribing at an Academic Health Sciences Centre.'

Activity and Achievements

National consultations reviewed by IMG included the Department of Health technical engagement exercise/short formal consultation on the new UK five year antimicrobial resistance strategy and action plan. Many members were involved in the production of the Royal College of GPs target resource on antimicrobial stewardship for GPs. Dr Diane Ashiru-Oredope, Pharmacist Lead DH Advisory Committee on Antimicrobial Resistance and Healthcare Associated Infection (ARHAI) helped implement and evaluate pharmacist's activities for the annual European Antibiotic Awareness Day activity in England on 18th November 2012.

Dr Kieran Hand was co-opted onto the Department of Health Advisory Committee on Antimicrobial Resistance and Healthcare Associated Infection.

Many IMG members have become integrated in multidisciplinary infection societies in England and the devolved countries. The profession is being recognised in making a unique contribution to Infection Management with many of these societies. Some examples are outlined below.

British Society of Antimicrobial Chemotherapy (BSAC)

This society offers advice to government, its membership, the wider medical profession and the public on issues relating to antimicrobial agents, the appropriate and prudent use of antibiotics. Conor Jamieson has been elected as treasurer of this national organisation. Wendy Lawson is on her 3rd and final year of member of BSAC council.

BSAC annual national educational workshops were held in 10 locations across the UK between October and December 2012. This years topic was 'Diagnosis and treatment of skin and soft tissue infections'. Each workshop was facilitated by an IMG pharmacist together with microbiologist/Infectious Diseases physician. Layla Mohammadi, Lewisham Hospital, wrote one of the cases on PVL *Staphylococcal aureus*, the first time this had been done by pharmacist. Slides are available at <http://bsac.org.uk/events/past-events-2012/educational-workshop-2012/>

There are serious concerns regarding the future effectiveness of currently available antibiotics and the lack of antibiotic agents in the drug pipeline. BSAC launched a global initiative in November 2012 called 'Antibiotic Action.' It is a forum through which all parties – governments, healthcare professionals, industry and charities – help identify and implement solutions to stimulate and regenerate the discovery and development of antibacterial drugs. Several UKCPA members attended its launch at the Houses of Parliament and BSAC took a petition to 10 Downing Street afterwards.

The Royal Pharmaceutical Society facilitated the interview of an IMG member on BBC Radio 4 following the launch. UKCPA members are encouraged to sign the related petition at <http://antibiotic-action.com/join/>

BSAC continues to develop its National Outpatient Parenteral Antibiotic Therapy (OPAT) initiative. Standards were published in 2012 and Mark Gilchrist, consultant pharmacist Infection, Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust, is the co-chair of the UK OPAT initiative standing committee. Mark also heads the work stream for patient management system, audit and national outcomes registry.

Federation of Infection Societies (FIS)

This years meeting of all UK Infection societies (including UKCPA) was held jointly with 8th International Healthcare Infection Society (HIS) in Liverpool in November 2012. A plenary session on IT and antimicrobial prescribing was organized and chaired by Wendy Lawson. Kieran Hand spoke on ICT support for antimicrobial stewardship. A number of IMG members presented oral papers and posters.

British Infection Society (BIS)

This national group, merged from Association of Medical Microbiologists and British Infection Society, invited an IMG pharmacist to join their council for the first time, represented by Phil Howard.

Dr Jacqueline Sneddon continues as Scottish Antimicrobial Prescribing Group (SAPG) project lead. Its aim is to co-ordinate and delivers a national framework for antimicrobial stewardship to enhance the quality of antimicrobial prescribing and management in Scotland. Each Health board in Scotland has an antimicrobial management pharmacist(s) as a key member of the antimicrobial management team.

Sponsorship

Novartis continued to support the award in 2012 which was won by Raliat Onatade, Deputy Director of Pharmacy, Kings College Hospital NHS Foundation Trust on 'Improving antimicrobial prescribing using rapid serial audits and feedback'.

*Wendy Lawson, on behalf of the Infection Management Group
March 2013*

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

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.

Group members

There are 324 members registered for the UKCPA e-mail network.

Committee meetings 2012

- May 2012 – Belfast
- Nov 2012 – Chester

Activity and Achievements

Contribution to consultations: None

Links with third party organisations/associations: None

Department of Health: None

Other National committee involvement/collaboration: None

International: None

Publications

Directorate Pharmacist pack launched at conference in May 2012

Masterclass (held since last annual report)

Leadership study day December 3rd –Leadership in Difficult Times - Richard Cattell and Jat Harchowal.

GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Symposium 2012

- May 2012 – Planning for the future - leading and improving in difficult times; Thinking differently for better patient care: Escaping your mental valleys! ; What is Quality Governance and how can it be used to improve quality?
- Fringe session organised by Leadership Development Group: ‘Leading in difficult times’, Professor Mike Scott, Head of Pharmacy Medicines Management, Antrim Area Hospital, Northern Health and Social Care Trust,
- Nov 2012 – workshops : Personal development for directorate pharmacists: Understanding Yourself; Aligning yourself in the organisation; Working with others – managing performance to deliver priorities
- Nov 2012 – LDG breakfast meeting- sponsored by Pfizer - Networking – taking and making the most of a networking opportunity.

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

None

Any other matters to report

1. Targets for 2013

- Delivery of 3 workshops on leadership development at both symposia
- Revise and launch Chief Pharmacists Pack (anticipated Nov 2013)
- Increase leadership resources by utilising more pharmacy leaders’ expertise

2. Sponsorship secured from the industry for the group

Leadership award sponsored by GSK.

3. Group projects in progress

Mentoring database with RPS.

*Cathy Mooney, on behalf of the Leadership Development Group Committee
April 2013*

Medicines Safety & Quality Group Annual Report

Current Committee

Chair: Amanda McLean

Committee Members: Gillian Cavell, Jane Nicholls, Nicola Wake, Rachel Leff, Stephen Grogan; co-opted members Margaret Stone, Alice Osborne, Kevin Gibbs, Anna Bischler, Surinder Ahuja, Naomi Burns Constance Sturrock

Group members

There are 381 members registered to the message board, up from 303 this time last year.

Committee meetings 2012

Committee meeting held London October 2012. New committee members were recruited following this.

Activity and Achievements

- Nil consultations
- Links with :NHS Commissioning board: Medicine Safety
- Represented on: National Guideline Development Group: Drug Allergy
- Represented on: NHS Pharmaceutical QA Committee Unlicensed Medicine Working Group
- Represented on: RPS Medicines Optimisation Group

Publications (on behalf of UKCPA publications only)

The committee members have been actively publishing on medicine quality and safety matters. These include:

- In Practice: Spring & Autumn 2012
- Pharmacy Magazine: July 2012 Prescribing errors in general practice: the Practice report

Masterclasses 2012

Nil

Proposed masterclasses 2013

Managing medication related safety incidents when patients transfer between care providers: Learning and sharing for pharmacy staff from all sectors.

GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Symposium 2012

May 2012: Medication safety beyond the NPSA

November 2012: Medication incident reporting: why, when and how?

GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Symposium 2013

May 2013: Can never mean never? Systems assurances and controls for Never Events

Group projects in progress:

Progress ongoing with competency frameworks documents; wider consultation of medicine safety pharmacists ongoing.

*Amanda McLean, on behalf of the Medicine Safety and Quality Group
March 2013*

Neurosciences Group Annual Report

Current Committee

Chair: Shelley Jones

Committee Members: Annett Blochberger AB, Ben Dorward, David de Monteverde-Robb, Louise Dunsmure

Group members

There are 622 members registered to the message board.

Committee meetings 2012

No meeting held

Activity and Achievements

Contribution to consultations

NICE headache guidance (CG150) June 2012

Department of Health

HNIg database work – all committee members providing feedback

Publications (on behalf of UKCPA publications only)

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

- In Practice:
In Practice Feb 2012 – News from the Neurosciences Group (AB)
- Pharmacy Magazine:
Ben Dorward: Viewpoint from UKCPA: fingolimod for multiple sclerosis Pharmacy Magazine July 2012:XVIII(&):10
- Clinical Pharmacist; [include edition/s, title of article/s and author/s]
Blochberger A. Learning points for all pharmacists – Putting guidance into practice. Clinical Pharmacist 2012;4:53

Any other publications [list individually under separate numbers, include publication/journal title, edition/s, title of article/s and author/s]

- Holland DP, Hall W, Blochberger A, Cock H. Antiepileptic Drug Use and Seizure referral Patterns by non-epilepsy specialists at a London regional Neurosciences Centre: A Clinical Audit. 10th European Congress on Epileptology London 2012. *Epilepsia*, 53 (Suppl.5):1-245, 2012 doi:10.1111/j.1528-1167.2012.03677.x
- Blochberger A. Commentary in Perampanel – A Weapon for epilepsy. *Pharm J* 2012;289:397
- Blochberger A. Commentary on Launch of Perampanel. *Pharm J* 2012;8
- Blochberger A. Commentary on NICE GL Fingolimod. *Pharm J* 2012;4
- Blochberger A. Commentary on SAD-PD trial *Pharm J* 2012;4
- Dunsmure L; Parkinson's disease and medicines management. *Hospital Pharmacy Europe* Issue 63 July/August 2012

- Dunsmore L; Thesis: 'Can I trust you with my medicines?': A grounded theory study of patients with Parkinson's disease perceptions of medicines management. University of Bradford. Thesis submitted as part of the DPharm qualification.

Masterclasses (held since last annual report)

None

Proposed Masterclasses

None

GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Symposium 2012

Joint presentation with Surgery group at the November 2012 Symposium session Neurological disorders and surgery.

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

Ben Dorward Clinical Pharmacy Congress 2012: Oral Presentation to West Yorkshire LPF "Improving transfer of care". February 2012.

Any other matters to report

Targets for 2013/14

To complete the competency framework

Sponsorship secured from the industry for the group

None

Group projects in progress

Competency framework

Shelley Jones, on behalf of the Neurosciences Group Committee

March 2013

Pain Management Group Annual Report

Current Committee

Chair: Roger Knaggs

Committee Members: Emma Davies, Gideon Kotey, Emma Wilson, Lee Wilson.

Group members

There are 1079 members registered for the e-mail network.

Committee meetings 2012

The committee has not met in 2012 but maintains regular e-mail contact and communication.

Activity and Achievements

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.

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 spokesmen on pain management for the Royal Pharmaceutical Society

Emma Davies is Product Guardian for several pain related CPPE programmes, including Learning at lunch & Focal point

Department of Health

Roger Knaggs is a member of the Care Quality Commission Clinical subgroup of the Accountable Officer network

Other National committee involvement/collaborations

Emma Davies is a member of the Pain Medicine Sub-committee of National Specialist Advisory Group (NSAG) – Anaesthetics

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
- Pharmacy Magazine: February 2013. Safe and appropriate use of opioid analgesics. (Emma Wilson and Lee Wilson)
- Clinical Pharmacist: March 2012. How to prevent and manage postoperative nausea and vomiting (Lee Wilson and Roger Knaggs).

Masterclasses (held since last annual report)

6th September 2012 (Manchester) - Joint Masterclass with Surgery and Theatres group: "Pain management in enhanced recovery following surgery".

- 31 attendees, including speakers
- Napp Pain Award presentations – Carina Livingstone
- Positive evaluation from delegates and learning objectives met.

Proposed Masterclasses

9th March 2013 (Stirling): "What all pharmacists should know about pain." In collaboration with Napp Pharmaceuticals.

12th September 2013 (London): Joint Masterclass with Care of the Elderly Group: "Pain in older people: a hidden epidemic."

GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Symposium 2012

Satellite symposium at autumn symposium 2012 (supported by Napp Pharmaceuticals) on The NHS Health and Social Care Act 2012 (Professor David Taylor, UCL School of Pharmacy)

Any other matters to report

1. Targets for 2012/12

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 2013

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).

Group members

There are 978 members registered on the online network.

Committee meetings 2012/13

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

Activity and Achievements

Contribution to consultations

- a. NICE
 - i. MTA Asthma for Omalizumab (HK)
 - ii. Member of the Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis Group (IPF) GDG (PW)
 - iii. Cystic fibrosis (pseudomonas lung infection) - colistimethate sodium and tobramycin (PW)
 - iv. STA: Cystic fibrosis - mannitol [ID85] - Appraisal Consultation Document (PW/SG)
 - v. Tuberculosis stakeholder workshop – November 2012 (TC)
 - vi. Asthma Quality Standards (Gd'A)
- b. Department of Health:
 - i. National Commissioning Board Consultation: Severe & Difficult Asthma (All)
 - ii. BTS/DH Bronchiectasis Workshop (Gd'A)

Links with third party organisations/associations

- a. Royal Pharmaceutical Society
 - i. Expert opinion/media activities (All)
 - ii. Development of the UKCPA/RPS Respiratory Curricula, part of the Specialist Curriculum Group (SCG) (All)

- iii. AllergyWise (RPS with Anaphylactic Campaign) (AM)
- iv. Asthma Webinair (NB/AM)
- v. DH COPD Medicine Optimisation Document (All)
- b. Founding member of Pan London Airways Network (PLAN)
- c. British Thoracic Society (BTS)
 - i. Emergency Use of Oxygen Guideline Group
 - ii. Pharmacy expert advice to BTS (AM)
- d. Anaphylaxis Campaign Clinical and Scientific Board Member (AM)
- e. National Review of Asthma Deaths (AM)
- f. Asthma UK: Emergency Care Project (AM)
- g. Member of the UK Coalition to Stop TB (from December 2008) (TC)
- h. Member of the BTS MDRTB Clinical Advice Service (from December 2009). - member of the Implementation Group and Steering Group from December 2010 (TC)

Department of Health

- a. Department of Health: National Commissioning Board Consultation: Severe & Difficult Asthma (All)
- b. Respiratory Education Programme (AM)
- c. Member of an Anti-tuberculosis Drug Project Group with the Department of Health, HPA, Pharmaceutical Market Support Group and Commercial Medicines Unit, Specialist Clinicians and other Pharmacists.

Other National committee involvement/collaborations

- a. Product Guardian for the Centre of Pharmacy Postgraduate Education (CPPE) (TC, AM, HM)
- b. Attended an All-Party Parliamentary Group on Global Tuberculosis inquiry into drug resistant TB on behalf of the UK Coalition to Stop TB at Portcullis House in November 2012 (<http://www.appg-tb.org.uk/meetings/meetings-in-2012/178-first-of-four-oral-evidence-sessions-on-'britain's-response-to-the-growing-threat-of-drug-resistant-tuberculosis'.html>).

International

- a. International Primary Care Respiratory Society (AM)
- b. Speaker at the Middle Eastern Clinical Pharmacy Conference, Abu Dhabi October 2012 (in collaboration with the UKCPA) – plenary lecture – Palliation of Respiratory Symptoms and Workshops – Management of pain with Strong Opioids and Management of COPD (HM)

Publications

In Practice:

- August 2012
- October 2012 (Vol 44 Issue 2): Why is correct inhaler technique important?
- January 2013: Use of Azithromycin in Respiratory Patients

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

- Thompson K, Khachi H, Watson D. Bronchiectasis: a complex condition. Pharmaceutical Journal. July 2012.
- Soh LM, Gunganah K, Khachi H et al. Etomidate Infusion in the Management of Hypercortisolemia - Our experience in 5 patients with Cushing's Disease. European Journal of Endocrinology. August 2012.
- Murphy AC, Proeschel A, Brightling C, et al. Relationship between clinical outcomes and medication adherence in difficult-to-control asthma. Thorax 2012;67:751-753
- Murphy AC. Omalizumab in the management of asthma. Hospital Pharmacy Europe 2012; 65: 51-54

- Huntington S et Capstick TGD. Joint working sees development of web-based nebuliser guidance. *Clinical Pharmacist* 2012;4:174-5.
- Vigar A, et Capstick TGD. An audit of missed doses during inpatient admissions on respiratory wards. GHP/UKCPA Conference May 2012. Poster 47. *Clinical Pharmacist* 2012;Suppl 3:S42-S43.
- Capstick TGD, Clifton IJ, Morgan J, Blenkinsopp, A. An audit of missed doses during inpatient admissions on respiratory wards. GHP/UKCPA Conference May 2012. Poster 48. *Clinical Pharmacist* 2012;Suppl 3:S43-S44.
- Any other publications [list individually under separate numbers, include publication/journal title, edition/s, title of article/s and author/s]
- 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.
- Vigar A et Capstick T. Asthma. In: *Drugs in Use*, 5th ed. The Pharmaceutical Press. 2013 (IN PRESS)
- Murphy AC. COPD: *Drugs in Use*, 5th ed. The Pharmaceutical Press. 2013 (IN PRESS)

Expert comments for News articles in *Clinical Pharmacist* and *The Pharmaceutical Journal* (All)

Poster Presentations

- Khachi H, Hodson M, Hudson R et al. COPD Self Management: Impact of Implementing self management plans and rescue medications across 3 Hospitals. ERS 2012.
- Khachi H, Hodson M, Welsby V et al. Impact of Implementing COPD Self Management Plans & Rescue Medications across 3 Hospitals. Winter BTS meeting 2012.
- Murphy AC et al. Can a Community Pharmacy-Based Intervention for People with Asthma fully integrated with other Community Services lead to Improved Clinical Outcomes? RPS Conference Sept 2012.

Awards

- Clinical Leaders Network Award – Murphy A. SIMPLE approach to asthma care by community Pharmacists.
- Pharmaceutical Care Award 2012 – winner A.Murphy
- UKCPA/NAPP Asthma Award: Khachi H, Butt M and Nicholls J. An evaluation of practice by pharmacist independent prescribers working in Asthma/COPD Clinics in primary and secondary care. November 2012.

Masterclass

3rd October 2012: Breathing your way to Olympic Gold. London

Proposed Masterclass

October 2012 – Birmingham – Advanced Masterclass

GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Symposium 2012

Sleep disorders (Gd'A)

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

- Local Pharmacy Practice Forums presentations (AM, TC)
- World Asthma Day and COPD Day(AM)
- Lecture / Workshop: Inhaler Technique. To GPs and Practice Nurses on a Paediatric Asthma Study Day, NHS Kirklees, Yorkshire (TC)

- Lecture / Workshop: Inhaler Technique for MURs. To community Pharmacists in Wakefield and Pontefract, Yorkshire (TC)
- Lecture / Workshop: The COPD patient's journey from hospital admission to post discharge care. West Yorkshire LPF Meeting (TC)
- Lecture / Workshop: Inhaler Technique: Theory and Practice. Mid Yorks GP Training Scheme teaching (TC)
- Lecture: Respiratory Update. To NHS Leeds Community Respiratory Nurses (TC)
- Lecture: Monitoring of anti-tuberculosis Drugs. To Infectious Diseases / Microbiology SpRs. Yorkshire Training Scheme (TC)
- Lecture / Workshop: How Pharmacy Can Lead From The Front (Improving MURs). To Community Pharmacists in NHS Leeds, Bradford and Airedale. This also incorporated five additional small group workshops on inhaler technique (TC)

Any other matters to report

1. Targets for 2013/14

- 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/Boehringer Ingelheim – Masterclass

Anna Murphy, on behalf of the Respiratory Group

March 2013

Surgery and Theatres Group Annual Report

Current Committee

Chair: Debra Morris

Committee Members: Angela Burgin, Nicola Ward

Group members

There are over 1,000 members registered to the message board. This is a huge increase on last year but may be reflected by the difference to the website and how members can access the groups more readily.

Committee meetings 2012

No formal committee meetings took place. Communication was through telephone conversations and emails which occur regularly.

Activity and Achievements

No contributions to consultations or third parties.

Publications (on behalf of UKCPA publications only)

- In Practice: Articles submitted to the majority of editions in 2012/13.
- Pharmacy Magazine: 'Anti-obesity surgery' contributed by Angela Burgin and Debra Morris
December 2012

Masterclasses (held since last annual report)

'Pain Management in Enhanced Recovery following Surgery' June 2012 at Thistle Manchester (joint with Pain group)

Proposed Masterclasses

'The challenges of Trauma care'. Proposed date June 2013 in Manchester

GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Symposium

The group were involved with 2 workshops at the Autumn symposium 2012

1. Management of Diabetes in the peri-operative period – joint session with Endocrine group (Angela Burgin)
2. Management of neuro diseases in the peri-operative period – joint with Neuroscience group.
(Debra Morris)

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

Not applicable

Any other matters to report

1. Targets for 2013/14

To recruit more members to help with committee work – to cover a greater surgical scope and appeal to a wider audience.

2. Sponsorship secured from the industry for the group

Nil

3. Group projects in progress

ACLF competency frameworks are still in progress.

Debra Morris, on behalf of the Surgery & Theatres Group
March 2013

Minutes of UKCPA Annual General Meeting 2012

Minutes of the official 32nd UKCPA Annual General Meeting, Sunday 18 November 2012.

Venue: Charles 1 Suite, Crowne Plaza, Chester.

The meeting commenced at 10.10am, chaired by: Chris Acomb, Chair of the Trustees.

Chris Acomb stated that all the AGM documents and reports had been uploaded to the UKCPA website in June 2012 and subsequently links had been emailed to all symposium delegates as a reminder prior to the event. A reminder about the rescheduled AGM (originally minuted in May as a recommendation by the Chair, Dr Chris Green, and announced in *In Practice*) was also emailed to all members one week in advance.

1. Apologies

Roger Knaggs

2. Minutes of the previous meeting

No comments were arising from the minutes of the previous meeting.

3. Matters arising

No matters were raised regarding the minutes of the previous meeting.

4. Officers Reports

All reports were accepted. No questions posed.

5. UKCPA Groups Annual Reports

All reports were accepted. No questions posed.

6. Election of Auditors and Agreement of their fee

It was recommended and accepted that Bridgeson & Co remain as the UKCPA accountants.

7. Appointment of Trustees

Chris Acomb confirmed the current Trustees of the Association [Chris Acomb, Philip Howard, Vincent Cronin, Gillian Hawksworth, Paul Evans and Nina Barnett].

8. Future Projects and UKCPA strategic development

This item was presented as a plenary session on Saturday 17th November, 9.40am. PowerPoint presentation will be made available on the UKCPA website.

9. General Committee Election Results

Please refer to following page.

10. Annual Subscription

Membership fees have remained unchanged since July 2011 and are as follows:

Ordinary member	£71	
Direct Debit member	£66	
Overseas member	£76	(£66 membership plus £10 postage costs)
Student member	£26	
Corporate member	£420	

BPSA (electronic only*) member	Free
Overseas (electronic only*) member	£66
Newly qualified ex-BPSA member (1 st year only) £33, Direct Debit only, receives all mailings.	

***electronic membership** – These members are exempt from receiving any communication in hard copy and should refer to the UKCPA website to gain copies of mailings-ie, In Practice, award flyers, event notices.

11. Any other business

Duncan McRobbie proposed that formal thanks be noted to Dr Chris Green for his excellent leadership of the Association for the past 2.5 years, seconded by Philip Howard. Chris is succeeded by Mark Borthwick.

There being no further business the meeting closed.

General Committee Election Results/Structure 2012 - 2013

There were five vacancies for the General Committee due to the terms of office expiring for Duncan McRobbie, Ian Bates, Gillian Cavell and Mark Tomlin, plus one vacancy. Raymond Guirguis, Frances Akinwunmi and Ryan Hamilton (BPSA representative) completed their co-opted terms.

Ian Bates and Mark Tomlin were nominated and agreed to stand for a further three year term of office. David Sapsford, Frances Akinwunmi and Alan Timmins were nominated and agreed to be elected to the General Committee for a three year period. As there were five confirmed nominations and five vacancies, no election was required.

UKCPA Business Management Group structure for the period 1st April 2012 – 31st March 2013:

Chris Green	Chair (will remain in Chair until 17 November 2012)
Mark Borthwick	Chair (effective from 18 th November 2012)
Ann Page	Vice Chair (effective from April 2013)
Mark Tomlin	Treasurer
Chris Acomb	Chair of the Trustees
Marie Matthews	General Manager
Sarah Carter	General Secretary

The vacant key officer posts above will be selected from the General Committee members listed below. However, the UKCPA may seek to nominate and co-opt a key officer from the general membership:

UKCPA General Committee structure for the period 1st April 2012 – 31st March 2013:

Chris Green	Stephen Grogan	Mohamed Rahman
Sharron Millen	Aamer Safdar	David Sapsford
Claire Ellwood	Nuttan Tanna	Mark Tomlin
Alan Timmins	Ian Bates	Frances Akinwunmi

Co-optees (Maximum 3, as per UKCPA constitution) – Mark Borthwick, Vikesh Kakad (BPSA representative) and Raymond Guirguis have been co-opted to the UKCPA GC.

UKCPA Trustees

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

UKCPA Group Structures

The UKCPA Groups were made up of the following representatives for the 2012 – 2013 period:

Cardiac Group

Sotiris Antoniou (chair)	Bhavisha Pattani	Paul Wright
Alison Warren	Helen Williams	Rani Khatib
Steve McGlynn	Elizabeth Greenwood	
Robert McCartney	Duncan McRobbie	

Care of the Elderly Group

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

Community Group

Gill Hawksworth (chair)	Jennifer Archer	Clive Jolliffe
Angela Langley	Diane Harris	
Carey Tebby	Valerie Sillito	

Critical Care Group

Greg Barton (chair)	Meera Thacker	Richard Bourne
Mark Borthwick	Rob Shulman	David Sapsford
Ruth Forrest	Emma Graham-Clarke	

Diabetes Group

Elizabeth Hackett	Catherine Hamilton (chair)	Philip Newland Jones
Natasha Jacques	Victoria Ruzala	
Sally James	Patricia Yerbury	

Education & Training Group

Maria Christou (chair)	Janet Gilbertson	Clive Jolliffe
Helen Middleton	Jill McDonald	Abbas Alidina
Aamer Safdar	Lizzie Mills	

Gastroenterology/Hepatology Group

Anja St Clair Jones (chair)	Jackie Eastwood	Jacqueline Swabe
Sarah Knighton	Sarah Cripps	Siu Man Tin
Joyeta Das	Dan Greer	

Haemostasis, Anticoagulation and Thrombosis Group

Sharron Millen	Marie Brazil	Jignesh Patel
Duncan McRobbie	Simon Shepherd	Frances Akinwunmi
Robin Offord	Rosalind Byrne	
Barbara Clark (chair)	Helen Williams	

Infection Management Group

Kieran Hand	Wendy Lawson	Paul Wade (chair)
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Ysobel Gourlay

Philip Howard

Information Technology Group – Joint group with the GHP

Neil Kirby

Onye Chigbu

George Gannon

Graeme Richardson

Judie Finesilver

Stephen Goundrey Smith

Jim Bannerman

Ewan Maule (chair)

Kym Thompson

Garry McCrea

Cheryl Way

Leadership Development Group – Joint group with the GHP

Cathy Mooney (chair)

Philip Howard

Pippa Roberts

Richard Cattell

Chris Green

John Quinn

Graeme Hall

Catherine Duggan

Scott Savage

Medicine Safety and Quality Group

Amanda McLean (chair)

Margaret Stone

David Upton

Stephen Grogan

Rachel Leff

Alice Osborne

Jane Nicholls

Gillian Cavell

Nicola Wake

Neurosciences Group

Shelley Jones (chair)

Ben Dorward

Louise Dunsmore

Annett Blochberger

David de Monteverde-Robb

Pain Management Group

Roger Knaggs (chair)

Emma Davies

Emma Wilson

Gideon Kotey

Lee Wilson

Respiratory Group

Anna Murphy (chair)

Helen Meynell

Grainne D’Ancona

Suman Gupta

Patrick Wilson

Hasanin Khachi

Toby Capstick

Nicola Berns

Surgery & Theatres Group

Debra Morris (chair)

Nicola Howarth

Nicola Ward

Angela Burgin

General committee election results, committee structure and UKCPA Group membership for 2013 - 2014

General Committee Election Results/Structure 2013 - 2014

There were four vacancies for the General Committee due to the terms of office expiring for Chris Green, Aamer Safdar, Mohamed Rahman and Claire Ellwood. Raymond Guirguis, Mark Borthwick and Vikesh Kakad (BPSA representative) completed their co-opted terms.

Due to six nominations to sit on the UKCPA General Committee were received, an election was called. Seats were subsequently awarded to the four candidates receiving the most votes: Ann Page, Raymond Guirguis, Mohamed Rahman and Aamer Safdar. These four successful candidates each formally agreed to serve, and were accepted onto the UKCPA GC for a three year term of office.

UKCPA Business Management Group Structure for the period 1st April 2013 – 31st March 2014:

Mark Borthwick	Chair
Ann Page	Vice Chair
Mark Tomlin	Treasurer
Chris Acomb	Chair of the Trustees
Marie Matthews	General Manager
Sarah Carter	General Secretary
Chris Green	Immediate Past Chair

UKCPA General Committee structure for the period 1st April 2013 – 31st March 2014:

Ann Page	Stephen Grogan	David Sapsford
Sharron Gordon	Aamer Safdar	Mark Tomlin
Raymond Guirguis	Nuttan Tanna	Frances Akinwunmi
Alan Timmins	Mohamed Rahman	

Co-optees (Maximum 3, as per UKCPA constitution) – Vikesh Kakad (BPSA representative) and Mark Borthwick have been co-opted to the UKCPA GC. One vacancy remains.

UKCPA Trustees

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

UKCPA Group Structures

The UKCPA Groups will be made up of the following representatives for the 2013 – 2014 period:

Cardiac Group

Sotiris Antoniou (joint chair)	Bhavisha Pattani	Paul Wright
Alison Warren	Helen Williams (joint chair)	Rani Khatib
Steve McGlynn	Elizabeth Greenwood	Nazish Khan
Robert McCartney	Duncan McRobbie	

Care of the Elderly Group

Derek Taylor (chair)	Balwinder Budwall	Sarah Crotty
Garry Todd	Rhona Petrie	
Christina Short	Lorraine Lanchbury	

Community Group

Gill Hawksworth (chair)	Diane Harris	Alison Wheeler (Pfizer)
Carey Tebby	Valerie Sillito	
Jennifer Archer	Clive Jolliffe	

Critical Care Group

Greg Barton (chair)	Meera Thacker	Richard Bourne
Mark Borthwick	Rob Shulman	David Sapsford
Ruth Forrest	Emma Graham-Clarke	

Diabetes and Endocrinology Group

Elizabeth Hackett	Catherine Hamilton (chair)	Philip Newland-Jones
Natasha Jacques	Victoria Ruzala	
Sally James	Patricia Yerbury	

Education & Training Group

Maria Christou	Jill McDonald (joint chair)	Abbas Alidina
Helen Middleton (joint chair)	Lizzie Mills	Ann Page
Aamer Safdar	Clive Jolliffe	

Gastroenterology/Hepatology Group

Anja St Clair Jones (chair)	Jackie Eastwood	Siu Man Tin
Sarah Knighton	Sarah Cripps	Jacqueline Swabe
Joyeta Das	Dan Greer	

Haemostasis, Anticoagulation and Thrombosis Group

Sharron Gordon	Rebecca Chanda	Helen Williams
Duncan McRobbie	Katherine Stirling	Frances Akinwunmi
Robin Offord	Simon Shepherd	
Barbara Clark (chair)	Rosalind Byrne	

Infection Management Group

Mark Gilchrist (chair)	Jacqui Sneddon	Laura Whitney
Adel Sheikh	Jamie Cheong	David Sharpe
Wendy Lawson	Hayley Wickens	Chris Winnard
Tajel Vaghela	Jonathan Urch	
Philip Howard	Diane Ashiru-Oredope	

Information Technology Group – Joint group with the GHP

To be confirmed

Leadership Development Group – Joint group with the GHP

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

Medicine Safety and Quality Group

Amanda McLean (chair)	Gillian Cavell	Surinder Ahuja
Stephen Grogan	Anna Bischler	Constance Sharrock
Jane Nicholls	Alice Osborne	Naomi Burns
Margaret Stone	Nicola Wake	
Rachel Leff	Kevin Gibbs	

Neurosciences Group

Shelley Jones (chair)	Ben Dorward	Louise Dunsmure
Annett Blochberger	David de Monteverde-Robb	

Pain Management Group

Roger Knaggs (chair)	Emma Davies	Emma Wilson
Gideon Kotey	Lee Wilson	

Respiratory Group

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

Surgery & Theatres Group

Debra Morris (chair)	Angela Burgin	Neetu Bansal
Nicola Ward	Monali Kachi	
Nicola Howarth	Sukeshi Makhecha	

Applications to join the UKCPA Group committees are always welcome.

Consultation responses

The UKCPA responded to the following consultations between 1 April 2012 and 31 March 2013.

- NICE** Guidelines manual consultation
- NICE** Incontinence in neurological disease draft consultation
- NICE** CG117 Tuberculosis 2012 FIP TB Survey
- NHS Scotland** Review of NHS pharmaceutical care of patients in the community
- NICE** CG83 Review consultation for critical illness rehabilitation
- NICE** Crohns disease draft guideline consultation
- NICE** Multiple Sclerosis draft scope consultation CG8
- NICE** CG17 Dyspepsia/GORD second scope consultation
- NICE** Psoriasis draft guideline consultation
- NICE** Headaches stakeholder comments
- NICE** Omalizumab for the treatment of severe persistent allergic asthma in children aged 6 and over and adults(TA133 and TA201)
- NICE** Neuropathic pain scope consultation
- NICE** Drug Allergy –Draft Scope Consultation
- NICE** Management of venous thromboembolic diseases-quality standard consultation
- DoH** Technical engagement exercise/short formal consultation on the new UK 5 yr antimicrobial resistance strategy and action plan
- NICE** ID483 Dabigatran etexilate for the treatment and secondary prevention of symptomatic venous thromboembolism
- NICE** App G-STA Rivaroxaban for the treatment of pulmonary embolism and the prevention of recurrent venous thromboembolism
- NICE** Evidence summaries:unlicensed and off label medicines (ESUOM) suggest a topic form
- MHRA** RPS ref 2188 ARM 83 reclassify Pirinase Hay fever Relief for adults spray 0.05% spray
- NICE** MTA ID342 Cystic fibrosis(pseudomonas lung infection)-colistimethate sodium and tobramycin
- National Commissioning Board** Specialized respiratory services (adult)-Severe & Difficult to Control Asthma consultation
- NICE** Ulcerative colitis guideline consultation
- NICE** Review of TA249; Dabigatran etexilate for the prevention of stroke and systemic embolism in atrial fibrillation
- NICE** Review of TA256; Rivaroxaban for the prevention of stroke in atrial fibrillation and Apixaban for preventing stroke and systemic embolism in people with nonvalvular atrial fibrillation
- NICE** Pre-term labour & birth draft scope consultation
- NICE** Laquinimod for treating relapsing-remitting multiple sclerosis (ID 560)draft scope for consultation

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 dedicated 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 members, as well as coordinate the finances of the organisation, organise multiple awards, administrate our new Clinical Pharmacy Research Grant 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 corporate members are continuously generous in their support of UKCPA. They sponsor our Masterclasses, exhibit at our conferences and sponsor some of our awards. 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.