

Speech and Language Therapy**Dysphagia Link Nurse
Summary of Meeting 21.05.03****Code A** – SSN Daedalus Ward**Code A** – SN Daedalus Ward**Code A** – Speech & Language Therapist

The meeting was scheduled to be the first supervision session for DLN's following completion of the training. Due to nursing staff shortages neither Rachel or Pat could be released from the ward, a brief meeting was therefore held to discuss key issues/plan future dates.

1. Evaluation of DLN Scheme

LD outlined plans to fully evaluate the project.

i.e. - Post Training Questionnaires – returned by PW and RA ⇒ LD and Sarah Easton to summarise responses.

- Portfolio's – PW's taken by LD/SE to review. RA's to be given to SE 05.06.03.
- Questions re managing Dysphagic patients. 10 questions to evaluate effectiveness of training/highlight areas requiring clarification currently being devised by LD/SE to send to PW/RA for completion and discussion 17.06.03.
- Blind Dysphagia Assessments Dates set for RA/PW and LD/SE to complete outline of procedure (as used in other areas of country with DLN's) discussed i.e. DLN carries out dysphagia assessment ⇒ management plan. SLT repeats assessment 30 mins → 3 hrs later 'blind' i.e. no knowledge of DLN's findings ⇒ comparison. Procedure to be completed for 2 patients per DLN.

Dates:24th June a.m. PW - LD1st July a.m. RA - LD3rd July a.m. PW/RA – SE**2. Dates for Future Meetings**

- i. RA and PW both still have one outstanding assessment to complete. Dates arranged for this are: Thursday 5th June am RA with SE. Tuesday 11th June am PW with LD.
- ii. Meeting to discuss pertinent issues/rescheduled supervision session.
Tues 17th June am – pm (study time).

Code A Toni Scammell to be informed of all these dates and asked to ensure RA/PW availability.

3. Role of DLN to Date

RA and PW both have been required to assess dysphagic patients – neither patient was appropriate for assessment due to poor levels of alertness/cooperation.

RA PW will continue to respond to requests and note key issues.

Dysphagia assessment tool not to be used until after meeting of 17th June.

4. Future DLN Training Plans

LD briefly outlined plans – for further discussion 17th June.

5. Summary of Future Dates

Thurs 5th June am RA – SE final assessment

~~Tues~~ ^{WED} 11th June am PW – LD final assessment

Tues 17th June – all day RA/PW – LD supervision session/study day

Tues 24th June am PW – LD Blind assessment

Tues 1st July am RA – LD Blind assessment

Thurs 3rd July am PW/RA – SE Blind assessment

6. Agenda Items for 17th June

- Role of DLN/how used to date
- Evaluation of DLN scheme
- Future plans for dysphagia training at GWMH
- Use of Dysphagia Flowcharts
- Publishing DLN's at GWMH
- Future supervision sessions.

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