

Community Hospitals Clinical Reference Group

Minutes of Meeting, 13th May 2003
Meetings Room, EVCH

Attendance:

East Hampshire PCT

Code A**Code A**

Grace Harding

Fareham & Gosport PCT

Yvonne Astridge

Code A**Code A****Apologies:**Philip Beed
Anne Haste

Portsmouth Hospitals / GNDP –

Code A**Items discussed:****Notes of previous meeting:****Code A**

had attended the meeting, apologies for missing their names from the list of attenders.

PROGRESS:Essence of Care:

East Hants:

- Half-day workshop completed during april. Opportunity to share good practice, positive feedback received.
- Community Hospitals are seeking comparison groups for nutrition, contact via Rowan Ward and/or **Code A**
- Work continues on Rowan Ward and at EVCH on privacy and dignity benchmark, and slower progress with record keeping
- Cedar Ward and Willows Unit early stages of work relating to nutrition and continence benchmarks.
- HWMH continue with continence and nutrition with ongoing work around communications – relating to person-centred care.
- DNs progress relating to development of Venepuncture benchmark + Manual handling and Blood Pressure Assessment and Follow-up.

Fareham & Gosport:

- Four launch events during March, interdisciplinary, trust board representatives expressed support to develop a learning culture + strong links to Clinical Governance developments.
- Volunteers to develop a Link Network have been identified and the plan is to meet quarterly for further workshops and develop pathway to cascade information.
- A Practice Link initiative is ongoing – DN-led.
- Community Hospitals developments ongoing relating to Benchmarking activity identified in the CHI Investigation Report – relating to Nutrition, Record Keeping and Continence Benchmarks

Nursing Strategy Development

East Hampshire

Nursing Strategy Implementation Group – Fran has had a key role in the NS development. In near future will have completed period of time as Board Nurse and Executive Committee representative for nursing staff.

Opportunity for some re-structuring, new members to be recruited and strategic/operational role in development.

Fareham & Gosport

Further secondment role for Ann Dalby until March 04 – Nurse Strategy Development Facilitator – links closely with NS Steering Group and the NS Development Group.

Review pending - of progress with NS (and process) so far – including integrating Clinical Supervision, Essence of Care and development of a Leadership Pathway for the PCT.

CHI Action Plan

Discussion within the group relating to the impact of the CHI investigation at GWMH, how this has affected staff / influenced developments and highlighting progress in several areas.

Key points:

- Answering the question: "How do you know?" (this) is working / effective / evidenced.
- Cascade of information to other staff not directly involved in the investigation

Risk Management:

Discussion relating to sharing outcome / learning from risk events, how to identify significant Risk Events – things that could impact across several areas? – potential role for CRG as means to exchange information. – further development required.

Clinical Effectiveness, Evidence Based Practice:

Potential for CRG to propose, consider, develop ideas for Audit proposals across all community hospitals – for example, falls awareness, blood pressure monitoring (all aspects of), record keeping.

One proposal to describe experiences from “real life” – in narrative style or format – as at the GNDP Celebrations event, for example, the use of the Burford Person-centred model of assessment, how this has influenced good practice and positive outcomes for patients.

(Community Hospitals CRG – May 03)

SPECIALIST DEVELOPMENT:

Gerontological Nurse Development Programme (GNDP) Follow-up Workshops:

Discussion – most effective development of workshops to provide an overview of the principles of person-centred assessment. Development over four workshops using Distance Learning Resource as a baseline document.

The key message: the implications and challenges of working in a **Person Centred** way.

Workshop format: pre-workshop preparation,
supported/facilitated group work +
actions
– to link with preparation for next workshop.

“organisational” support for participants back at base (each ward / clinical area)
– as Team Leaders will be familiar with the philosophy of the GNDP.

(AD to update Service Managers, GNDP participants to discuss further with colleagues)

Examples of questions / format for Workshops discussed, please contribute ideas for development.

Further discussion / development of workshops at next meeting

Next meeting:
10th June 2003
13.00 – 14.30
Seminar Room, St Christopher’s Hospital