

National Major Trauma Nursing / Rehabilitation Groups

Thursday 29th April 2021
Online Conference, via Microsoft Teams

MINUTES v1

- 1) Welcome and Introductions
Introduction and apologies for postponement of previous meetings due to Covid pressures.
- 2) Approval of minutes of previous meeting 15-10-2020
No objections raised, minutes will be considered approved as an accurate record of the meeting.

Sub group minutes to be generated by each group and submitted.
- 3) Matters arising – review actions from previous minutes (not on this agenda):
 - a) NMTNG Research Sub-Group Terms of Reference
 - (1) No objections – approved
 - (2) Will be uploaded to NMTNG website
 - b) Trauma Unit Quality Indicators
 - (1) Concerns discussed regarding the ‘working towards’ wording remaining; no specific paed ward or critical care wards measures
 - (2) New ward measure T20-2B-315 welcomed

Action: The measures will be circulated to all, please review in your sub-groups and consider how NMTNG can support Networks in meeting these measures

Action: Develop links with CRG
 - c) Review of Action Log
 - (1) Actions 16, 17, 19 & 20 can be closed –
 - (a) HEE representation and support to be added to next years’ work plan
 - (b) Scottish network has appointed an education lead
 - (2) GL will chase TARN regarding action 15
 - (3) CR not available to update action 14

Action: Update the About Us and Events pages of the NMTNG website
- 4) NMTRG update: Stephen Friend (Chair)
 - A lot of Rehab group members have now moved away from major trauma work so progress made on guidelines lost
 - New deadline for draft guidelines agreed for 6 weeks’ time
 - New Vice Chair, Catherine Newport, announced and welcomed to NMTNG
 - Receiving a lot of interest from specialist groups, particularly spinal groups
- 5) Adult Critical Care – no update received
 - Agreed group will be closed while there are currently no active projects being worked on
- 6) Adult Trauma Ward –
 - No meetings held in recent months
 - Still progressing work on booklet

Action: Clinical frailty references to be updated for next iteration of competencies

7) Education Group: Hannah Kosuge (Chair)

- Competency assessment discussed – who is competent to assess competency?
- Guideline drafted for own network to assist with this
- TCAR now running as 2 full days, no interest in half day sessions
- HK suggests listing all available nursing courses on website, AH approves but advises a caveat that inclusion on the list does not mean endorsement of the course
- HK also suggested establishing a peer review database for those willing and able to assist in peer reviewing bespoke courses
- AH willing to support but must ensure cadence and educational input on reviews
- TCAR Therapies feedback very positive

Action: Share competency guideline

Action: Send details of any courses/bespoke training to HK to be included on website

Action: send your name/details to hannah.hosuge@nhs.net if you wish to be part of the peer review group

8) Trauma Coordinators: Neil Strawbridge (Chair)

- Change of name to Major Trauma Coordination Group
- Minutes of last meeting approved, will be forwarded to addition to the website
- Large increase in membership numbers with representation at last meeting from Scotland, England & Wales
- Finalised TOR's, will bring to next meeting for final sign off
- Considering review of TARN data as to whether TU Coordinators have a measurable impact on the data versus sites without coordinators
- Discussed concerns and challenges of Covid in the last year

9) Paediatric Trauma Nursing: (Apologies from Caroline Rushmer)

- Been quite a while since last meeting but CR is actively planning to meet early next month
- Mark Lilley has been integral to PCAR online courses which have run successfully several times

10) Peri-operative: Jo Robson (Vice Chair)

- Only 3 people actively participating in the group at the moment
- Have the peri-operative competencies to share
- Request support from wider membership to increase engagement

11) Emergency Department: Sharon Sanderson (Chair)

- Met in October and had mini meetings in small groups to progress competencies
- Trialling blended online/face to face courses next week
- Discussion regarding completion of level 1 and/or level 2 competencies
- Updated competency format shared and reviewed
- SS has shared new format with Paeds group so that they can replicate

12) Research: Elaine Cole (Vice Chair)

- Happy to support Major Trauma Coordination group in review of research
- Second round of Delphi study currently running
- Received around 100 responses so far to the research priorities request but would really appreciate some more
- Discussions regarding language and older patients – patients do not like Silver trauma descriptor, feel it equates to a silver rather than gold service
- Frailty another consideration – not all frail patients are old and not all older patients are frail

Action: Review language in competencies to take into account the above before sign off

13) Regional/National updates:

a) Scotland:

- Network 50% live, South East & West plan to go live in August
- Royal Hospital for Children & Young People in Edinburgh now open and approved as a 24 hr helipad site
- Channel 4 have been doing some filming for the opening of the above
- Have appointed an educational lead to the network
- Some trauma coordinator roles coming to advert soon
- National uniform agreement is 95% complete
- TXA and antibiotics are now stocked on ambulances to be administered pre hospital for all open fractures
- Working on a paediatric patient story

b) Wales:

- Network went live on 14th September
- MTC has opened a polytrauma unit
- TU's are nearly all staffed with Trauma Nurse Coordinators & Trauma Rehab Coordinators
- Meeting weekly online which is helping to facilitate pathways
- Facilitating education
- Work to be done around national uniform agreement as both nurses & AHP's work as coordinators
- Angharad Griffiths, Practice Educator, developing an online learning platform
- Will include pre hospital and TTL scenarios, being filmed with a media company
- Developed a Level 1 competency package to be rolled out with train the trainer sessions

c) Northern Ireland – no update received.

14) AOB:

- a) Reminder to all to email their sub-group interests to andrea.smith8@nhs.net
- b) AS receives a high proportion of email bounce backs on comms, please flag in sub-groups if people are not receiving NMTNG emails
- c) Air ambulance charity TAAS have contacted AH for support with patient liaison pathways – a number of offers of support made

Dates of next meetings:

- End of June, TBC