

National Major Trauma Nursing Group

Paediatric Sub-Group

Terms of Reference

1. Introduction:

In July 2015 the National Major Trauma Nursing Group was convened to form a national forum for trauma nursing - within this forum a specialist paediatric sub group has been formed.

2. Aim:

The aim of the sub group is to help shape the future of paediatric trauma nurses as a recognised sub-speciality area of expertise and practise within the wider group of trauma nursing

The paediatric sub-group will provide clinical expertise in paediatric nursing for the NMTNG.

The paediatric sub-group will provide advice and recommendations to relevant individuals and bodies, including commissioners, to inform the national paediatric trauma agenda and standards setting.

3. Objectives:

The key objectives of the sub-group are:

- a. To engage all those involved in the provision of paediatric nursing services to severely injured children and young people to produce improvements in care
- b. To share common issues and best practice in Paediatric Nursing
- c. To develop standards for paediatric trauma nursing throughout the child's or young person's pathway.
- d. The sub-group will advise on local, regional and national, guidance, best practise and commissioning on issues related to paediatric trauma nursing.
- e. The sub-group will advise the NMTNG on issues pertinent to the care of the child and young person.

4. Membership:

The sub-group shall consist of:

- a. Chair: the sub-group will be chaired by a Children's nurse who is responsible for facilitating the group to achieve the objectives. The tenure shall be for 2 years where the chair position will be handed over to the vice-chair
- b. Vice Chair: The vice-chair must be a Children's nurse, who can deputise and undertake all the function of the chair in their absence. The tenure shall be for 2 years before assuming the role of Chair for a further 2 years.

- c. Membership will be sort from all Major Trauma Networks in England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland who have an interest in the care of the injured child and young person.

5. Quorum:

To be a quorate the following must be present at the meeting:

- a. Chair or vice-chair and
- b. A minimum of 5 members of the Paediatric sub-group
- c. A minimum of 3 Major Trauma Networks represented

6. Conduct of meetings:

- a. Meeting will be held quarterly in-line with the NMTNG

7. Agreement and review

Terms of reference agreed on 25th November 2016

Terms of reference to be reviewed in 12 months