

National Major Trauma Nursing / Rehabilitation Groups

Thursday 15th October 2020
Online Conference, via Microsoft Teams

MINUTES v2

- 1) Welcome and Introductions
Introduction and background provided by AH for the new members attending today.
- 2) Approval of minutes of previous meeting 28-11-2019
Usually approved in session but long lapse in time due to Covid-19, no objections have been raised in intervening period so 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 Vice Chair Nominations:
Two volunteers for the Vice Chair position:
 - Anna Sweeney, Vice Chair
 - Jacqui Moorehead, Shadow Vice ChairNo objections, approved.
 - b) Andrea Smith, Network Administrator for the North East London & Essex & Trauma Network has taken over the role as NMTNG/NMTRG support.
- 4) NMTRG update: Stephen Friend (Chair)
 - First virtual meeting this morning
 - Discussed how services/people/patients have been affected by Covid-19
 - Positive outcomes in recent months include
 - the availability of teaching via Teams
 - Network M&M's online allowing increase attendance
 - Second round of Delphi study now live
 - Strong therapies reply in first round, circa 400 replies in total
 - Paeds Rehab will have their own sub-group that feeds into the NMTRG
 - Information received from all MTC's is being tabulated and guides will be drafted over next 6 weeks
- 5) Adult Critical Care – no update received
- 6) Adult Trauma Ward - Have not held a meeting
- 7) Education Group: Hannah Kosuge (Chair) & Laura Crowle (Vice Chair)
 - Plan to meet once TCAR/PCAR online pilot has been completed
 - Aiming for a December meeting
 - A lot of interest from people keen to join the group
 - Some technical issues with the online TCAR/PCAR courses but feedback has been really positive so far

- Circa 150 delegates on each course
- The online Q&A facility made it a more interactive experience than the face to face sessions as delegates were able to ask questions/share experience during the teaching
- Considering skills stations for the face to face sessions on the half day courses
- HK agreed to present the TCAR/PCAR feedback at next meeting
- RP suggests that TCAR be considered to be written into the next iteration of quality standard

8) Trauma Coordinators: Neil Strawbridge (Chair)

- Have not approved the November minutes
- Had a brief meeting in July to test online format and met again this morning
- Has been quitted due to Covid-19 but saw an increase in elderly fallers and now seeing an increase in DSH
- Challenges of accessing face to face training discussed
- Potential future proofing options include filming training sessions so recordings can be used in lieu of face to face sessions
- The group is for anyone coordinating trauma in adult or paediatrics to join the subgroup
- Not keen to start developing competencies at the moment but have been reviewing key literature relating to trauma coordination and their roles and responsibilities
- Focus currently on looking at the various trauma coordinator roles and what common threads there are
- Discussion regarding levels of training and use of the term practitioner
- Suggestion that sub-groups meet on different days to allow participation and attendance in multiple groups

Action: Create space on NMTNG website for Trauma Coordinator group minutes, TOR's, etc.

9) Paediatric Trauma Nursing: Lorraine Lawton (Chair, outgoing) Caroline Rushmer (Incoming Chair)

- Discussions regarding paed trauma and Covid-19
- Trauma attendances dropped but anecdotal evidence of increase in head and abdominal injuries as children are falling off bicycles and so on
- Increase in non-accidental injuries to babies and children
- Children swallowing metal balls as a result of a TikTok trend
- Increase in mental health cases
- Increase in deaths
- Will try and get some data from TARN
- Really positive feedback about the PCAR training
- POP competencies to be updated over winter
- Caroline Rushmer will be stepping into role of Chair from today
- Vice Chair position vacant, contact Caroline to express interest in the role

10) Peri-operative: Amy Caudwell (Chair)

- Lack of response from people willing to commit to the group
- Will continue with small delegation for now
- Some good competencies from Scotland
- Discussion regarding publishing of competencies; process & timeline

Action: AS to send out updated list of sub-groups to all members

11) Emergency Department: Sharon Sanderson (Chair)

- Met with 14 delegates, representation from England, Wales and Scotland
- Reviewed ED competencies and agreed to keep Level 1 and Level 2 separate
- Also agreed that they should not be separated into MTC/TU competencies

- Plan to create an app for the competencies, will couple together ECA and NMT competencies
- Would also like to develop a TILS/ILS certificate, in its infancy but exploring with RCN
- Plan to draft adult frailty competencies, small group formed to lead this
- Discussion about cut off from Paeds/adolescents to adult; varies from 16 to 18/19 years of age at different sites
- Paeds are reviewing ED competencies but consider including these in the adult competencies due to variation in segregation of ages
- Currently no paed nurses in ED group but LL offered to support
- Consider mapping TILS to competencies
- Concern about availability of Level 2 training in the face of restrictions from CV-19
- Reviewing adult ward model answers to develop similar format for ED

12) Research: Heather Jarman (Chair)

- Delphi study looked at clinical priorities rather than research priorities
- Turned 116 condensed statements into research questions for the second round
- Value of competencies was a theme across the research questions
- Encouraged all members of NMTNG/TRG to complete and share widely for this round.
- Update to be presented at next meeting

Action: Create space on NMTNG website for Research group minutes, TOR's, etc.

13) Regional/National updates:

a) Scotland:

- Aberdeen are running smoothly with the trauma survey
- All face to face teaching has been suspended

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 due to Covid-19 but this is helping to facilitate repatriations
- Will provide further update and feedback at next meeting

c) Northern Ireland – no update received.

14) Review of action plan tracker

- AH to update and circulate to the members
- GS will take forward TARN action
- AH has linked with Chief Nurse at HEE

15) AOB:

a) Date of next meeting:

- (i) All agreed Thursday is best day of week
- (ii) Will continue in virtual format
- (iii) No objections to recoding meetings

Dates of next meetings:

- Thursday 14th January