

**Midlands Pelvic Floor Group** 25th March 2014, Holiday Inn Birmingham Airport

Chairperson: Andrew Miller

Attendees: Nikoletta Dimitriou, Justin Yeung, Chris Harmston, Brendan McIlroy, Mark Chapman, Andrew Miller, Jon Lacy-Colson, Sharad Karandikar, Kaori Futaba, Vikas Shah, Yvette Perston, Andy Torrance

1. Apologies: Chris Mayne, Doug Tincello, Diane Stark, Kath Gill
2. Minutes of the last meeting. These were accepted as a correct record
3. Format of future meetings and dates: It was agreed that the format should stay the same with the addition of a slot to discuss governance issues

Andrew Miller agreed to organise and chair these meetings. Dates for the next 12 months were set:

TUESDAY 7TH OCTOBER 2014 1830-2130

ARDEN HOTEL Coventry Rd, Bickenhill, Solihull B92 0EH

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TUESDAY 24TH MARCH 2015 1830-2130

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4. Update from Pelvic Floor Executive Meeting

Mark Chapman attended the most recent meeting and informed the group that this year the National Pelvic Floor Meeting had been incorporated into the ACPGBI meeting in July (Thursday 3 July). The national pelvic floor database is still not yet up and running but should be in the near future. We were hoping for an update from Kath Gill but she was unable to attend the meeting at short notice. Karen Telford has recently taken over, as membership secretary for the Pelvic Floor Society and membership of the ACPGBI is no longer deemed a necessary requirement for non colorectal membership of the Pelvic Floor Society.

Chris Harmston raised the issue of the need for pelvic floor publications in order to become a member of the society. It was agreed by all present that this was unnecessary and would simply encourage pelvic floor clinicians to not become members.

**Specialist commissioning:** A pelvic Floor MDT is now a requirement for a functioning pelvic floor service. However, there is no peer review process in place at this time. There is a recommendation that >50 cases per year are discussed.

With regard to the actual commissioning of SNS your local area team should be able to provide you with a checklist. This is to allow them to more accurately determine the number of cases of SNS undertaken – it asks re conservative treatment prior to listing for SNS. It is not a form that will be used to stop a patient having an SNS. Any issues re specialist commissioning – Mark Chapman would be happy to hear from you. Action: Mark Chapman to feed back to the executive

## 5. Training Day

Discussion took place about whether this should be a stand alone day or in some way be incorporated into the existing SpR training. How should training for Allied Health Professional be addressed? It was thought that this should occur every 2 years. Action: Andrew Miller to liaise with Joe McCloud

To date: ASM has spoken with Joe McCloud and there is no immediate slot available for a training day within the West Midlands SpR training calendar. The same is true for the East Midlands. It seems likely that we may need to arrange a stand-alone pelvic floor/functional bowel training day, possibly similar in format to the South-West. ASM will liaise with Mike Lamparelli Kat Gash

## 6. Industry Presentation

Harpal Singh spoke briefly about Linaclotide Clinical trial data, Indications and prescribing Cost

7. Case Discussion: Interesting discussion around ODS and recurrent problems after surgical intervention. STARR & FODMAP diet.

The meeting finished at 21.45.