

MINUTES OF Children's Cancer Pathway Board Meeting

Held on Friday, 01 August 2014
Ward 84 Seminar Room
RMCH

Present: Dr Bernadette Brennan (Chair- Children's Cancer Pathway Clinical Lead)
Ms Sue Crook,
Dr Guy Makin
Dr John Grainger,
Dr Vanessa Holme
Ms Susan Kafka

Apologies: Mrs Chris Lowe
Mrs Melissa Wright,
Mrs Heather Houston

Purpose of the Board:

Dr Brennan provided an overview/background. GMCCN no longer exists and Children's Cancer Co-ordinating Group for the Network has not met for well over a year therefore newly formed Children's Cancer Pathway Board to replace and act as a strategy group for identifying issues within the PTC region and POSCUs and action. Overall Manchester Cancer Board formed in response to poor outcome measures, mainly related to adults, in the Greater Manchester area. Need to consider outcome measures and service improvements. Overall the Children's Cancer Pathway Board as assessed by the Childhood Cancer Measures for the Children's Cancer Network Co-ordinating Group was 87% compliant.

Action: All members to bring back to Board meetings outcome measures and suggestions for service improvement development/ideas to improve compliance.

Any Items Not on the Agenda

- Dr Holme requested that POSCU become an agenda item in future.
- Patient representative – Chris Lowe has earmarked a couple of parents
Action: Sarah Murphy to liaise with Chris Lowe to invite to next meeting.

Minutes from the last meeting

- Firstly, Terms of Reference accepted.
- Dr Vanessa Holme has agreed to become a member and represent the POSCUs at this meeting
- MBHT Shared Care (See subsequent minutes)
- Outcome Data. Dr Martin McCabe has been contacted as Chair of CTYA SSCRG and CRN who will look at survival data for all PTC.

- Audit/Chemotherapy. Susan Kafka (Pharmacy) undertaking an audit of patient chemotherapy pathway to look at time, inefficiencies and improvement of pathway.

Peer Review Outcome for 2014 – PTC/POSCU

With regard to **POSCU**, it would be useful to discuss any issues from Peer Review. Internal Validation completed – 80% ish compliant. Non-compliance with:

Outpatient clinics (not applicable as here)
Pharmacy attendance at MDTs (improved)
end of treatment and diagnostic records, require pre-chemo records

Communication/information sharing has improved. Working to obtain FBCs locally.

Action: Dr Holme to bring headlines to next meeting to see where we can help or improve if there are issues.

Dr Holme to contact other Centres re final reports and any issues need action/resolution from PTC.

PTC Peer Review:

PTC Core 92.7% compliant. Lack of compliance due to nursing establishment as per other years.

MDT solids 92.3% compliant due to initial poor attendance of neurology. Recently good attendance so this should change next year.

Leukaemia MDT 92.3%. Compliance was reduced because of poor overall attendance (below 66%) for Ward Managers. This issue has been addressed.

Late Effects MDT 100% compliance.

Work Plan for year

Objectives of the provider board. Interdependency of objectives on each other. Work plan and report for the Board was tabled.

Action: Medical student audit under Ross Craigie to look at data on HSC205 referrals and outcomes in terms of malignancy. A report to be obtained for next meeting. BB to obtain report

Action: Melissa Wright to look into HSC205 referrals in the region, if it is a similar picture or poor for diagnosing selected malignancies. Most turn out not to have malignancy.

Reviewed some of the data around the numbers. Quite a significant variation around the region.

In terms of work plan there are 4 objectives for the Board:

Objective 1 met with formation of Board

Objective 2 – to discuss later in patient experience

Objective 3 – is around outcomes of recruitment into clinical research and trials. Monthly research/trial meetings is analysing this in more detail, particularly to look at screen failure

Action: Guy Makin to meet with Zoe Coome, Research Delivery Manager, to discuss recruitment though we discussed overall recruitment was excellent.

Objective 4 – to increase timely access of new cancer patients to PTC. Need to think about an audit around time to diagnosis as a possibility.

Action: Potential projects for medical students as they come through the Unit (supervised by John Grainger).

MBHT Shared Care

Dr Brennan had a response finally from Owen Galt, who is Clinical Director for Paediatrics at MBHT.

Present also was the Operational Manager for that Division. They still have concerns about shared care, concerned about chemotherapy delivery and if they are able to support febrile neutropenia/sepsis.

Reassured by Dr Brennan that it is supportive care and no chemotherapy giving. A lot of the work and documentation has already been done by other POSCUs. Willing to support them declaring themselves as a Shared Care Centre.

Action: Dr Brennan to recontact again in September 2014 to see where there has been progress.

Patient Experience

Patient Experience questionnaire is now electronic and is being loaded on iPADS. Will then identify a cohort and how to distribute iPADS. Central Intelligence will collate data. Will need to provide a report.

Dr Holme has agreed to collate patient experience surveys for the POSCUs.

Action: Hopefully Patient Experience will be collated and collected in September 2014.

Discussed issue to surgical input, particularly lines and biopsies, access to planned lists rather than CEPOD. This could be a project around clinical effectiveness and the Operational meeting. Again, also looking at PED audit in terms of developing better outcome/patient leaflets. Possible role for medical students as part of their projects.

Dr Brennan discussed Dr Kwak who has met with Eileen Hupton. He is an expert in developing leaflets around cartoons and is going to develop leaflets around visit to the Ward, visit to clinic, MIBG, LP list etc.

Action: Sue Crook to take forward patient information leaflet list to Clinical Effectiveness which can be distributed.

Outcome Measures

This should be trial entry, survival, patient experience. Other measures can be added.

Pathway Board Report

To be read in further detail by everybody.

Date and Time of next meeting

14 November 2014 at 3pm.

Action: Heather Houston to book venue and refreshments.