Minutes of BAPN AGM
Gateshead Renal Association
Meeting room - Room C9 Sage Level 3
Tuesday 12th June 2012 12.30-13.30

Apologies
Karl McKeever
Adrian Woolf
Munir Ahmed
David Milford (DM)
Wesley Hayes
Daljit Hothi (DH)
Maggie Fitzpatrick (MMF)
Leah Krischock
Judith van der Voort
Mairead Convery
Steve Marks

Present
Mary McGraw (MMG)
Jane Tizard (JT)
Sally Feather (SF)
Kay Tyerman (KT)
Carol Inward (CI)
1. Minutes of last meeting (Winter meeting, Birmingham 2011)
These were accepted as a true record of meeting.

2. Presidents report (MMG)
The annual report is available on BAPN website; reports not detailed below including President’s report are available on BAPN website. MMG thanked all members of BAPN membership and executive committee who had supported her term of office as president. Jane Tizard takes over role of BAPN President following AGM.

3. Secretary’s report (SF)
Expressions of interest for ordinary member, and communications officer appointment were invited for BAPN executive committee. New members of executive committee were announced.
Jane Tizard (president), Richard Coward and Sally Hulton (research secretary), Manish Sinha (chair of registry and audit committee), Munir Ahmed (SPIN representative), Daljit Hothi (chair of clinical services committee). Members were reminded to update secretary and MCI if contact details change particularly email address. The British Renal Society Council is to increase paediatric representation to include members of the paediatric multidisciplinary team. The date of the Winter meeting will be Tuesday 20th November 2012 in Birmingham.

4. Treasurer’s report (read by MMG on behalf of JV))
At the end of March 2012, BAPN ring fenced account held £28,094.35. The following monies were spent: £36 University of Leeds (website), £1000 EWOPA Nottingham meeting shortfall, £2000 travel bursaries. The BAPN expenses: 2011 £1942.36, 2012 £638 to date and also donation to Kidney Alliance being processed. The BAPN Executive committee expenses are paid by the Renal Association and fall comfortably within allocated £4000.

5. Audit and registry report (CI)
CI is handing over role to Manish Sinha. CI was thanked for all her hard work. CI thanked all BAPN members and colleagues for support in audit and registry projects.

Audit:
- Infant Dialysis – 2 oral presentations at Renal Association Meeting. Project will be submitted for publication in two reports. Preparation of the manuscripts is expected to start shortly.
- Anaemia in children receiving RRT – data collection almost completed. Meeting held with statistician. The data analysis is due to commence shortly.
- Thanks to the BKPA for providing funding.
- Re-audit of renal biopsy in children – audit period January-June 2012. Please would all centres complete forms & send them to Dr Wes Hayes.

Registry
- The paediatric chapters of the 14th UK Renal Registry Report are in preparation (2010)
- Poster presentation on the demography of RRT in young adults in the UK at Renal Association
- Abstract on late presentation in children with ERF to the ASN.
- The data from the 2011 census date is due for submission to the registry by the 30th June
- Review of the database is in progress
- Please would each clinical team provide the details of an NHS.net account

Tony Wing award
- BKPA have offered funds to make a “Tony Wing” award as a tribute to Dr Tony Wing, a distinguished nephrologist who died earlier this year. His work was instrumental to the development of the EDTA-ERA registry – details can be found on the renal association website.
- Post for a paediatrician to work at the UK Renal Registry on the paediatric database to facilitate greater use of the registry data as well as providing an opportunity to gain experience of epidemiological research and obtain a higher degree.
- The project will be managed in collaboration with the BKPA & KRUK.

6. Research report (MS)
RCPCH meeting, Glasgow

This was a joint session with Clinical Genetics
- a successful meeting with good attendance and lively discussion
- There were 2 invited speakers, Professor Fiona Karet from Cambridge, and Dr Katie Snape from London.
- 2 prizes were given for best trainee presentations, and 1st Prize went to Lindsay Keir from Bristol, and 2nd Prize to Wes Hayes from Nottingham

Trainee Bursaries:
3 bursaries of £500 each are available this year for trainees presenting at international meetings. These have been advertised in enews.

Rare Disease Initiative:
A call is out for new Rare Disease Groups to form, with funding from KRUK/BKPA – Deadline 29th June

CSG activities
A Strategy Document has been produced, and will appear on the MCRN and BAPN websites. Current multicentre studies recruiting are: 1. PREDNOS; 2. RADAR – SRNS and MPGN. Funded studies in setup are: 1. HotKids; 2. Rituximab in NS. In addition several industry funded studies are recruiting at selected centres (see CSG minutes available on BAPN website).

CSG Membership – members are requested to consider rotating their membership to another colleague from their respective centre, in order to fulfil the remit of fixed terms for CSG membership.
The current Chair stands down in November 2012, and will be replaced by Dr Richard Coward

BAPN research secretary – the new Research Secretary is a joint appointment, between Drs Sally Hulton and Richard Coward.

7. CSAC report (KT on behalf of MMF)
Role of CSAC:
- Meet 4 x per year
- Annual Grid short-listing + interviews
- 9 members:
  - CSAC chair, 2 Training Advisors
  - BAPN President, Secretary
  - SPIN Paediatrician
  - Trainee Representative
  - Adult Renal SAC, RCPCH Representative

Work of CSAC in last 12 months:
- NTN Grid Appointments
- Attendance Trainee meetings + informal review of progress
- Updated “Framework of competencies for level 3 training in Nephrology”
- “Framework of competencies for level 3 training SSM in Nephrology”
- Ongoing discussion with RCPCH re monitoring and management of SPIN process
- Bank of questions for START

- Manpower update in 2012
- 2.6 WTE Consultant Posts advertised
- 13 trainees + 1 from Sept 2012
  - 9 in clinical posts
  - 4 in research
  - 2 completed CCST + 3 in 2012
  - ? 7 CCST 2013, ? 2 in 2014
8. Standards and guidelines report (read by MMG on behalf of DM)

Completed items or work to date:
Standards for renal biopsy: placed on the BAPN website, UK wide audit against these standards commenced
Unit assessments: document placed on the BAPN website for individual units to use as a self-assessment against national standards.
Nephrology Networks: The committee contributed to the development of this document.
Standards for management of hypertension in transplanted patients: published on the BAPN website and available for individual units to use.
Patient information leaflets: Jan Dudley, David Milford, Leah Krischock and Lyda Jadresic on steering group.
Growth monitoring in CKD: placed on the BAPN website for individual units to use for the purpose of audit.

Responses to consultation:

- NICE Quality standards on CKD: Response to scoping document requesting paediatric inclusion.
- PD short guidance: comments submitted, guidance was published in July 2011.
- Phosphate and bone metabolism in CKD: Rukshana Shroff attended scoping workshop.
- Potential indicators for Commissioning Outcomes framework
- NICE consultation – Healthcare Quality Standards Process Guide
- NICE Clinical guidelines manual (update)
- NICE Intravenous fluid therapy (children not included)
- DH consultation on the UK plan for rare diseases

On going work:
Development of standards and guidelines to match RA topics
Haemodialysis – Daljit Hoti
Peritoneal dialysis – Chris Reid
Peritoneal access – Carol Inward, Meeta Mallik
Assessment of potential kidney transplant recipient – Jan Dudley
Anaemia management in CKD – Jonathan Evans
CKD mineral and bone disorders – Rukshana Shroff
Post-op care of the kidney transplant recipient – Heather Maxwell

9. Clinical services report (read by MMG on behalf of DH)

The BAPN manpower document that describes estimated dates for retirement for paediatric nephrologists in the UK is almost completed.

Civil Eyes- DH met with John Smith in May 2012.
The BAPN is not allowed to have a representative on the steering committee to influence how and what data is being looked at.
Civil Eyes is commissioned and thus paid by Hospitals/Trusts to undertake specific work.
As part of this work they have looked at nephrology data.
John Smith was happy, free of charge to help us on a specific project.
One possibility is to collect to help BAPN with our specialist/non-specialist commissioning split.
Patients could be looked at in 3 different settings:
- GOSH (no A&E dept thus all specialist care)
- Evelina (London based and thus speculated to adopt a different service delivery model from non-London units)
- Bristol (non London and has already developed excellent clinical networks)

Comparison between transplant patients and nephrotics

Expert working group on renal HRGs
- paediatrics excluded as number are so small that does not fulfil criteria of non-rare caseload
- plan to introduce interactive CCs to each subchapter – i.e. rather than a binary system of with CC and without CC if a code is on a list, this sums the CCs to better reflect the resources associated with multiply comorbid patients
- speculated that CC codes or such like may be introduced in OPD
- unbundling of dialysis in acute and chronic care

10. BAPN Trainee report (MMG read on behalf of WH)

Current Trainees
There are currently 14 paediatric nephrology national grid trainees. Seven trainees are currently in clinical training, 3 undertaking full time research, 2 post CCT, 1 newly appointed to start training this year and 1 on maternity leave.

Training Events
Two training events were held over the last year, organised by myself and JJ Kim. Both events provided an excellent forum for learning, discussion and networking for both national grid trainees and trainees with an interest in nephrology. The Nottingham event in July comprised a 2 day programme on the theme of transplantation and included a range of excellent speakers and received very positive feedback. This January we met for a further 2 day event at Great Ormond Street on the theme of dialysis. Again a wide range of excellent speakers contributed making this an invaluable training and networking opportunity with feedback to reflect this.
In addition to organised training events trainees continue to contribute to national and international meetings with representation at the ESPN in September 2011 in the form of several poster and oral presentations.

BAPN Trainee Involvement
Sheetal Bhojani took over from JJ Kim as trainee representative on the Audit and Registry Committee this year. In addition to attending BAPN and CSAC committee meetings I sit on the Clinical Standards and Guidelines Committee. Presentations were given at the BAPN winter meeting in December by Sheetal Bhojani, Akhila Hassan and JJ Kim.

New Developments
A new curriculum for paediatric nephrology is in the final stages of development by Maggie Fitzpatrick and Kay Tyerman. The curriculum reflects new developments in paediatric nephrology and gives clarity to the standards of knowledge and skills expected in subspecialist training. It is expected that the new curriculum will soon be integrated into the RCPCH eportfolio to guide educational supervision and enable trainees to log progress electronically.

11. ESPN 2017 (JT)
JT asked the membership for support on behalf of Heather Maxwell for raising Glasgow as the venue for 50th ESPN meeting. This received support from membership at AGM and JT will feed back to Heather Maxwell.

12. Ghana Paediatric Nephrology meeting February 20-23 2013 (Mignon McCulloch)
This meeting was announced at AGM and has been previously mentioned in eNews. Any paediatric nephrologists interested in speaking should contact Mignon McCulloch.

13. Commissioning (JT)
JT is representing paediatric nephrology at CRG for National Commissioning of Paediatric nephrology services. This will affect all units based in England. JT is hoping to use MMG’s Clinical networks document to develop the commissioning pathway. DH is establishing name of link person in each paediatric nephrology centre and it is essential that each centre is included in order that the Commissioning work is comprehensive and ensures equity of access for patients.

14. Winter meeting: Tuesday 20th November in Birmingham Children’s Hospital