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# The UKCPA Annual Report 2010 - 2011

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#### **UKCPA Mission Statement**

The UKCPA promotes expert practice in medicines management for the benefit of patients, the public and members by establishing standards, workforce development and advancing innovation in all health care settings.

The UKCPA encourages **Excellence, Leadership and Partnership.**

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**ELECTED GENERAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS: APRIL 2010 – MARCH 2011**

Chris Green	Ian Bates
Mark Tomlin	Nuttan Tanna
Helena Hodges	Mohamed Rahman
Stephen Grogan	Duncan McRobbie
Claire Ellwood	Gillian Cavell
Aamer Safdar	Catherine Duggan (Apr – Nov 10)
<b>Co-optees:</b> Graeme Hall, Sharron Millen, BPSA representative	

**UKCPA TRUSTEES: APRIL 2010 – MARCH 2011**

Chair of Trustees: Chris Acomb	Treasurer to the Trustees: Philip Howard
Gill Hawksworth	Nina Barnett
Paul Evans	Vincent Cronin

**UKCPA OFFICERS: MAY AGM 2010 – MAY AGM 2011**

UKCPA Chair: Chris Green	Chair of Trustees: Chris Acomb
Treasurer: Graeme Hall (May – Dec 10) Mark Tomlin (Jan – May 11)	Professional Secretary: Ian Bates (May – Nov 10) Sharron Millen (Nov 10 – May 11)
General Manager: Marie Matthews	General Secretary: Sarah Carter
Vice Chair - Vacancy	

**UKCPA GROUP CHAIRS: APRIL 2010 – MARCH 2011**

Cardiac – Sotiris Antoniou	Care of the Elderly – Derek Taylor
Community – Gill Hawksworth	Critical Care- Mark Borthwick
Dermatology – Christine Clark	Diabetes – Natasha Jacques
Education and Training – Sally Lau (resigned September 2010) Maria Christou (from Sept 2010)	Emergency Care – Vacancy (Ann Page leading in the interim)
Gastroenterology/Hepatology – Anja St Clair Jones	Haemostasis, Anticoagulation and Thrombosis – Sharron Millen
Infection Management – Paul Wade	Information Technology – Graeme Richardson, GHP (Vacancy for UKCPA representation)
Leadership Development – Cathy Mooney (resigned Autumn 2010) Philip Howard (from Autumn 2010)	Medicines Safety and Quality – Amanda McLean
Neurosciences – Shelley Jones	Pain Management – Roger Knaggs
Respiratory – Anna Murphy	Surgery and Theatres – Debra Morris

The above persons and groups are also supported by their respective group committee members, Sharon Cherry, Administration Clerk, and Dorothy Howard, Membership Administrator

**The 31<sup>st</sup> UKCPA Annual General Meeting,  
Crowne Plaza, Nottingham  
Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> May 2011, 5.30pm**

**A G E N D A**

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of the previous meeting held on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2010 (available on the UKCPA website)
3. Matters Arising
4. Officers Reports from:
  - a) Chairman
  - b) UKCPA General Report: presented by the General Secretary, endorsed by the Professional Secretary
  - c) Trustees
  - d) Treasurer

No report from:  
Vice Chairman (no post holder)
5. UKCPA Groups Annual Reports from Chairs of:
  - a) Education & Training
  - b) Gastroenterology/Hepatology
  - c) Medicine Safety and Quality
  - d) Critical Care
  - e) Care of the Elderly
  - f) Surgery and Theatres
  - g) Respiratory
  - h) Dermatology
  - i) Emergency Care
  - j) Community
  - k) Diabetes
  - l) Leadership Development
  - m) Pain Management
  - n) Information Technology
  - o) Neurosciences
  - p) Haemostasis, Anticoagulation and Thrombosis
  - q) Cardiac
  - r) Infection Management
6. Election of Auditors and Agreement of their fee
7. Appointment of Trustees
8. Future Projects and UKCPA strategic development
  - 8.1 UKCPA proposal to operate as a 'Charitable Trust'
9. General Committee Election Results
10. Annual Subscription
11. Any Other Business

**Minutes of the UKCPA Annual General Meeting, Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2010.**  
**Room: Rochester Suite, The Queens, Leeds.**

The meeting commenced at 5.30pm, chaired by: Professor Ian Bates, UKCPA Professional Secretary.

**1. Apologies.**

Linda Stephens, Roger Knaggs, Bryony Dean-Franklin, Paul Evans.

**2. Minutes from the previous meeting ( Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2009)**

Proposed as correct by Catherine Duggan, seconded Sue Kilby, accepted.

**3. Matters arising**

None.

**4. Officers Reports:**

a) Past Chair. Catherine Duggan wished to thank Helena Hodges and the association for the solid support during her time as Chair, and noted that the Association is going from strength to strength. In return Ian Bates also expressed thanks on behalf of the association for Catherine's leadership.

Proposed by Graeme Hall, seconded Gill Hawksworth, accepted.

b) Chair. Proposed by Mark Tomlin, seconded Duncan McRobbie and Sally Lau.

c) Vice Chair. Ian Bates informed that Graeme Hall was stepping down and passed on thanks from the Association. No questions. Proposed by Sally Lau, seconded Catherine Duggan, accepted.

d) Trustees. Ian Bates noted the support of the Trustees and expressed thanks on behalf of the Association for their hard work which did not go unnoticed. No questions. Proposed by Richard Cattell, seconded Sally Lau, accepted.

e) Treasurer. Ian Bates said that we will review and modernise the accounting structures.

No questions. Proposed by Graeme Hall, seconded Gill Hawksworth, accepted.

Duncan McRobbie asked if the Association had accrued any interest for the banking period 2008-2009 for the UKCPA accounts. Marie Matthews reported that this will be included in the audited accounts soon at the time of the meeting it was not available.

Ian Bates asked why we were unaudited at the date of the AGM. Marie Matthews responded that we have insufficient time to get the accounts audited for the meeting due to the April 5<sup>th</sup> end of tax year. Ian Bates asked if this time cycle could be investigated further.

Chris Acomb asked if the free student membership was electronic membership. Marie Matthews responded that was correct.

f) Report of the EP Committee. Helen Bradbury would be stepping down as Chair. No questions. Proposed by Richard Cattell, seconded Catherine Duggan. Helen Bradbury wished to pass on thanks to all of the Chairs and groups, so varied. Thanks were also expressed for Marie and the office staff for the fantastic support with the coordination.

g) Report of R&D Committee. Proposed by Gill Hawksworth, seconded Graeme Hall, accepted.

Ian Bates said that there were no reports from the Professional Secretary. Apologised and will send out a newsletter. There was no chair of PR Committee at time so N/A.

**5. UKCPA Groups Annual Reports from chairs of the following:**

a) Education & Training

b) Gastroenterology/Hepatology

- c) Medicine Safety and Quality(formerly Quality and Risk Management)
- d) Critical Care
- e) Care of the Elderly
- f) Surgery and Theatres
- g) Respiratory
- h) Dermatology
- i) Emergency Care
- j) Community
- k) Diabetes
- l) Leadership Development
- m) Pain Management
- n) Information Technology
- o) Neurosciences
- p) Haemostasis, Anticoagulation and Thrombosis
- q) Cardiac.

No report from Infection Management.

No issues. Proposed by Mark Tomlin, seconded Sally Lau, accepted.

#### **6. Election of Auditors and agreement of their fee.**

Helen Bradbury suggested we retain Bridgeson & Co. No questions. Proposal accepted by all of those present.

#### **7. Appointment of Trustees.**

Ian Bates said there were no new trustees. A minimum of three have to be elected as reconfirmed with Chris Acomb.

Chris Acomb stated that the role would be changing with regards to the governance and that Phil Howard, Gill Hawsworth, Paul Evans were part of this.

Ian Bates gave thanks to all of the trustees, again noting that their support did not go unnoticed.

#### **8. Future Projects and the UKCPA strategic development, including new key appointments.**

Ian Bates confirmed that memberships continued to increase, with enhanced commitments and new engagements. The new governance policy and plan was agreed in November 2009 with Duncan McRobbie's report being received and accepted at the UKCPA. A review of the R&D administration will commence with all the specialist groups to nominate one person from the group to act as a reviewer/adjudicator, excluding the Chair. This is NOT removing the Association's support for R&D and is intended to strengthen engagement by all UKCPA groups.

Catherine Duggan wished to pass thanks to the committee and acknowledges that more and more has been taken on and this change does not undermine the post.

Ian Bates welcomed two new UKCPA members of staff Dr Sarah Carter as General Secretary and Miss Sharon Cherry as Administration Clerk.

#### **9. General Committee Election Results.**

There were four vacancies for the General Committee. Graeme Hall and Chris Green finished their three year term of office. Two vacancies were made due to the resignations of Candy Norris and Helen Bradbury. Aamer Safdar and Mohamed Rahman completed their co-opted terms.

Chris Green was nominated and agreed to stand for a further three year term of office. Aamer Safdar, Mohamed Rahman and Claire Ellwood were nominated and agreed to be elected to the General Committee for a 3 year period. As there were four confirmed nominations and four vacancies, no election was required.

Co-optees (maximum 3, as per UKCPA constitution)

3 vacancies TBC, with nominations received from Sharron Millen and Graeme Hall. A proposal to co-opt the BPSA Chair onto GC has been agreed.

**Therefore the UKCPA structure for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2010 – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2011 will be:**

**General Committee Officers**

Chris Green	Chair
TBC	Vice Chair
Ian Bates	Professional Secretary
Graeme Hall	Interim Treasurer (Mark Tomlin from January 2011)
Marie Matthews	General Manager
Sarah Carter	General Secretary

**UKCPA General Committee**

Duncan McRobbie, Helena Hodges, Claire Ellwood, Chris Green, Stephen Grogan, Catherine Duggan, Nuttan Tanna, Ian Bates, Aamer Safdar, Gillian Cavell, Mark Tomlin, Mohamed Rahman, Sharron Millen and Graeme Hall.

**UKCPA Trustees**

Chris Acomb, Paul Evans, Philip Howard, Gillian Hawksworth, Vincent Cronin.

**Cardiac Group**

Sotiris Antoniou (Chair) Alison Warren, Steve McGlynn, Robert McArtney, Elizabeth Greenwood, Bhavisha Pattani, Helen Williams, Duncan McRobbie, Paul Wright, Saskia Vercaeren.

**Haemostasis, Anticoagulation and Thrombosis Group**

Sharron Millen (Chair) Duncan McRobbie, Robin Offord, Barbara Clark, Marie Brazil, Simon Shepherd, Rosalind Perrott, Helen Williams, Jignesh Patel.

**Care of the Elderly Group**

Derek Taylor (Chair) Garry Todd, Christina Short, Balwinder Bolla, Rhona Petrie, Lorraine Lanchbury, Sarah Crotty.

**Education & Training Group**

Sally Lau (Chair) Ros Meju, Maria Christou, Helen Middleton, Jeremy Liew, Aamer Safdar.

**Diabetes Group**

Natasha Jacques (Chair) Elizabeth Hackett, Sally James, Catherine Walker.

**Respiratory Group**

Anna Murphy (Chair) Suman Gupta, Toby Capstick, Helen Meynell, Patrick Wilson, Nicola Berns, Grainne D'Ancona, Hasanin Khachi.

**Medicine Safety and Quality Group**

Amanda McLean (Chair) Stephen Grogan, Jane Nicholls, Margaret Stone, Rachel Leff, Gillian Cavell, David Upton, Alice Osborne, Nicola Wake.

**Critical Care Group**

Mark Borthwick (Chair) Ruth Forrest, Meera Thacker, Rob Shulman, Emma Graham-Clarke, Richard Bourne.

**Pain Management Group**

Roger Knaggs (Chair) Betty Chan, Gideon Kotey, Emma Davies, Lee Wilson.

**Information Technology Group – Joint group with the GHP**

Neil Kirby (Joint Chair) Graeme Richardson (Joint Chair) Jim Bannerman, Garry McCrea, Onye Chigbu, Howard Goatley, Judie Finesilver, India Hardy, Ewan Maule, Cheryl Way, George Gannon, Carl Evans, Stephen Goundrey Smith, Jean Fairhurst.

**Dermatology Group**

Christine Clark (Chair) Sue Kilby, Gillian Hawksworth.

**Surgery & Theatres Group**

Debra Morris (Chair) Mohamed Rahman, Suparna Bali, Nicola Ward, Barbara Wilson.

**Gastroenterology/Hepatology Steering Group**

Anja St Clair Jones (Chair) Sarah Knighton, Joyeta Das, Jackie Eastwood, Kathryn King.

**Community Group**

Gill Hawksworth (Chair) Angela Langley, Carey Halls, Jennifer Archer, Diane Harris, Valerie Sillito, Clive Jolliffe.

**Emergency Care Group**

Ann Page, Ed England, Gail Foreshew, Alastair Graham, Kirsty Elliott.

**Leadership Development Group – Joint group with the GHP**

Cathy Mooney (Chair) Richard Cattell, Graeme Hall, Philip Howard, Chris Green, Catherine Duggan, Pippa Roberts, John Quinn, Scott Savage.

**Infection Management Group**

Paul Wade (Chair) Kieran Hand, Wendy Lawson, Ysobel Gourlay, Philip Howard.

**Neurosciences Group**

Shelley Jones (Chair) Ben Dorward, David de Monteverde-Robb, Louise Dunsmore, David Kearney.

No questions were raised for any group.

**10. Annual Subscriptions.**

Helen Bradbury confirmed that membership fees were frozen for the forthcoming cycle including the reduced rates for students. Future fees will be reviewed, however there is no financial reason to increase them at present. No one disagreed with this proposal. It was confirmed that BPSA members are now being offered free UKCPA electronic membership (via the BPSA website) and are additionally eligible for reduced UKCPA fees for non-electronic services and conferences.

**11. Any Other Business.**

The next AGM will be at next years' conference. (Date and venue TBA)

Ian Bates thanked Helen Bradbury for her work and commitment as Treasurer for the UKCPA and as Chair of EPC as she is now stepping down from these roles.

Helena Hodges gave special thanks to Candy Norris.

Final words from Ian Bates, on his first occasion chairing the AGM. "We are investing in new projects and membership services to further the work of the Association, in parallel with enhancing partnership working with the de-merged RPSGP and our sister clinical (and non-clinical) specialist groups. We all look forward to serving the UKCPA and our membership under our new association Chair, Dr Chris Green."

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 6pm.

## UKCPA Chairman's Annual Report 2010/11

As my first year as Chair of the UKCPA draws to a close, I can honestly say it's been an interesting year to take on the role.

It will not have escaped anyone's attention that the NHS is going through a period of unprecedented change, not only in the nature of the change, but also the pace of the change such that the government have recently announced a "pause" in proceedings. The impact of the economic downturn will undoubtedly hit UKCPA members as well and with education and training budgets coming under even more pressure than before, we might expect reduced attendance at UKCPA symposia and Masterclasses. With this in mind, we need to be ready to think about how we might do things differently in order to remain viable and to provide good value to our members at a time when money is tight. Having said that, when we benchmark ourselves against commercial training providers, I have no hesitation in stating that based on feedback from the events that we run, UKCPA can compete with the best of them, and give better value for money and we must maintain these standards.

We have some important decisions to make about the structure and set up of UKCPA as well. During 2011-12, we need to have robust discussions about the strategic direction of UKCPA, whether we proceed as we are or move to charitable status, and how we deal with the economic downturn. Given the departure of Janet and Sylvia from the UKCPA office, we also have some important decisions to make about the staffing structure of UKCPA and what we need to take the Association forwards. On that, and on a personal note, I would like to thank Sarah Carter, UKCPA General Secretary, for her excellent work behind the scenes and also Marie Matthews, Dorothy Howard and Sharon Cherry without whom, the UKCPA would simply not work. The Trustees of the Association, particularly the Chair, Chris Acomb, also deserve a mention of thanks.

The business of UKCPA continues to grow as well. We continue to develop and deliver high quality events, and to provide leading edge practitioners a platform to share their experiences. We have established a Governance Committee to ensure that the activities of the Association are open and transparent. We have a marketing strategy which has set out a strategic direction for us to work towards, and we have appointed a General Secretary, Dr Sarah Carter, who is doing a sterling job on a number of workstreams. We also have a new award, and one that in my opinion, is long overdue and hugely important. In tandem with the GHP and GSK, we have initiated the Clinical Leadership award and this will recognise the real leaders of clinical practice in the UK, and there is no doubt that many of the leading contenders for the award will be UKCPA members. On that note, it was a highlight of my year to be able to present the Lifetime Achievement Award to Chris Acomb in November; Chris has set an example for the rest of us to aspire to.

The Special Interest Groups continue to grow, for example, the Critical Care group are well down the road of providing a model for credentialing that could serve as the template for the rest of the specialist groups to follow. Furthermore, the Infection Management Group continues to influence at a national level, and have developed a strategic relationship with FIS. Sharron Millen in her role as HAT Chair has been working closely with the RPS and has presented at Westminster on the VTE agenda. These are just some of the many examples of UKCPA being at the forefront of clinical practice. Across the specialist groups, there is a visible increase in engagement with NICE and other organisations and this has resulted in UKCPA members influencing a number of national guidelines. To find out more, I commend the group reports to you and would encourage you to take the time to look through them. The range and number of publications listed in the reports and written by UKCPA members is similarly impressive.

Pharmacy has seen one or two changes as well, with the successful formation of the General Pharmaceutical Council and the new look Royal Pharmaceutical Society; we look forward to working with both of these organisations in the future. The RPS has had a fantastic start with over 30,000 members joining their ranks so it will be an exciting opportunity to redefine and provide the leadership the profession has been so badly missing. We wish both organisations well in the future.

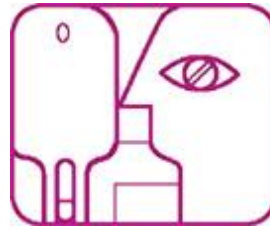
Relationships with other organisations continue to be important and we are pleased that our continued association with Guild of Healthcare Pharmacists brings us to Nottingham for another shared weekend event. For me, this has been a good illustration that organisations like the GHP and UKCPA can work together without compromising their individual values or independence. It is a real success story and is one that we need to emulate with other specialist groups and again, it is imperative that in 2011-12 we explore opportunities to work with other groups and ensure we are getting the best out the resources we have between us.

UKCPA continues to be forward thinking and take advantage of new electronic and social media. While it might not seem that important, the statistics around the importance of social media make interesting reading and it provides opportunities we should not miss. As a result, we have a new website, a Facebook page, we have a UKCPA Twitter account and one for the Chair as well. We have also been testing out a new, e-newsletter which is intended to bridge the gap between editions of In Practice and to also serve a slightly more personal agenda by featuring UKCPA members and related news articles. This year we will also be testing the practicalities of webinars as one of our partnership opportunities with the RPS. We see this as a potentially important method of continuing to provide educational opportunities to our members at very low, or even no cost. The technology to provide a one hour seminar or workshop, that members can log into from their own workplace, maybe even in their lunch hour, means that educational events become even more accessible. Having said that, the Masterclasses will provide more intensive, specialist learning events which also have the important benefit of providing networking opportunities.

So in conclusion, these are challenging yet exciting times, we are all under pressure in our workplaces to meet the challenges the new NHS is throwing at us on an almost weekly basis. But it is important to remember that the UKCPA is something really special. As far as pharmacy is concerned, it is a treasure that we must care for, and nurture, and move forwards into the new world we are entering. I want to thank each and every one of you for supporting UKCPA, for your time, your energy, your enthusiasm and your commitment to clinical pharmacy and patient care. It is an honour to be the Chair of this wonderful Association.

Dr Chris Green  
Chair, UKCPA

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## **1. Growing membership**

Despite tough economic times, UKCPA membership is steadily growing. At the time of writing (31 March 2011) we now stand at 2337 members. This is an increase of 4.75% since 1<sup>st</sup> April 2010.

We aim to continue on this upward trajectory.

## **2. Communications strategy**

A communications strategy for 2010-2011 was agreed at the Business Planning meeting in February 2011. Key updates include:

- **In Focus:** a new member benefit. An e-bulletin sent out every two months. This is intended to be more responsive than the quarterly *In Practice*, and will focus on the achievements and news of individual UKCPA members. The first issue was emailed to members in February 2011.
- **Facebook:** the UKCPA Facebook page was launched in December 2010 and, at the time of writing, has 260 monthly active users. Some news items have received nearly 3000 hits. Search Facebook for: UKCPA-United-Kingdom-Clinical-Pharmacy-Association.
- **Twitter:** UKCPA launched the Twitter feed in October 2010 and, at the time of writing, has 44 followers. <http://twitter.com/UKCPA>.
- **Website:** the development of the new website is nearing completion. It will be more user friendly and will continue to host the much valued posting and discussion areas. [www.ukcpa.org](http://www.ukcpa.org).

## **3. Marketing strategy**

The UKCPA marketing strategy was agreed in November 2010, and we recently held a Marketing Review Working Group meeting to review all marketing and promotional materials. Recommendations have been made to the General Committee.

## **4. Marketing & Communications Coordinator post**

We recruited a Marketing & Communications Coordinator post in September 2010, but unfortunately the postholder was not suitable for the tasks we required. The marketing of UKCPA events will now be coordinated by the UKCPA office, and other tasks such as the formatting of *In Practice* will, if possible, be outsourced.

## **5. Investigation of new media**

UKCPA is actively developing a series of webinars, hosted by the Royal Pharmaceutical Society, which will simultaneously allow our Groups to deliver educational sessions online at a fraction of the cost of face-to-face meetings, whilst also making our expertise available to the whole profession, via RPS membership. These will not replace Masterclasses, but will be an additional medium through which we can reach practitioners.

## **6. Partnership workstreams with RPS and specialist groups**

On 1 April 2011 all specialist groups were invited to the RPS Principles of Partnership Day to celebrate the progress of the joint working so far, and to officially sign the Partner agreements with the CEO Helen Gordon. Dr Sarah Carter, the UKCPA General Secretary, signed on behalf of UKCPA.

### Professional recognition workstream

UKCPA have been actively involved in leading the professional recognition workstream with the RPS and other specialist groups. Progress to date includes the publication of two papers on professional recognition in the *Pharmaceutical Journal*, written by all the groups involved in the workstream. The first, titled *Professional recognition in pharmacy: Part 1 – demystifying the concept*, was published in November 2010. The second paper titled *Professional recognition in pharmacy: Part 2 – what pharmacists can expect*, was published in March 2011.

The working group last met in October 2010 and agreed that the professional recognition model under development needs to be carefully considered, tested, simple and robust in order to be credible and comparable with, and be respected by, other health profession models.

The RPS will need to develop the credentialing model and associated processes further in partnership with all key stakeholders (form and function) and then will address details of business models with said stakeholders and specialist groups (funds and payments).

### Education and development workstream

The working group last met in October 2010. All education and training/development provision (by all specialist groups, including UKCPA) will be available to view in an online 'library' developed by the RPS technical team. Educational provision will be linked and mapped to the curricula and the professional development frameworks. The provision will not be accredited initially by the RPS (its development by specialist groups is quality assurance in itself) but the RPS may consider accreditation in the future, if appropriate.

## **7. Governance workstream**

A paper clarifying the links between the UKCPA mission statement, its vision and its strategies, objectives and business plan was agreed at the November 2010 General Committee meeting. This will be available on the new website and allows transparency of the association to its members.

Related to this, we are working on updating and clarifying the terms of reference for individuals UKCPA Officers, and Committees and Boards.

## **8. Member surveys**

UKCPA have developed a series of member surveys in order to increase communication with our members and to gain valuable feedback for the development of future member services.

### Member services survey

During October and November 2010 we sent out a survey to all UKCPA members asking what they valued about UKCPA. We had a fantastic response with 424 members replying.

We asked members to rate how much they valued different UKCPA services. The online discussion boards were rated highest, closely followed by access to expertise and networking, study days (now called Masterclasses) and being part of an Association with common values.

*We now know that we can promote these member benefits to encourage membership, particularly to other sectors of the profession such as community, who may particularly benefit from access to networks and expertise due to their relatively isolated working situation.*

The website discussion boards were the most valued benefit, with over half of responders choosing this as their most valued UKCPA service.

*We are working on a new website which will go live this year. It will of course continue to host the highly valued discussion boards and will be more user friendly and functional.*

The *In Practice* newsletter was rated as medium in value.

*We have made some changes to In Practice recently, mostly concerning the formatting and design which we hope gives it a more contemporary and professional look. The Chair of UKCPA and UKCPA Groups continue to report their activity and news in the newsletter. We would welcome any contributions to the newsletter from our members.*

We offer our members the exclusive opportunity to apply for several generous awards which are sponsored by our industry colleagues, although the member survey rated these as lower than other services.

*We would love to see an increase in applications for these awards and prizes. We are aware that they could be promoted more and we will investigate further to find out how we can improve the uptake of this member benefit.*

Overall, we received some incredibly positive comments which reflect how passionate our members are about UKCPA:

- “Unequivocally the most fantastic organisation to support learning and development of clinical skills - invaluable resource when working within a speciality.”
- “Joining the UKCPA has been the single most important thing I have ever done to help me be a better pharmacist on a day to day basis. (You can quote me on that!)”
- “The discussion boards are invaluable for learning hot topics and asking questions of others.”
- “I value the clinically orientated and inspiring study days.”
- “The *In Practice* newsletter would be rated higher if its content was more juicy.”

We thank all members who responded.

#### Masterclass survey

In January and February 2011 we invited UKCPA members to complete our short survey on Masterclasses. A total of 164 responded. Some key findings are highlighted below.

- Over three quarters of those who responded had attended at least one UKCPA Masterclass in the past.
- Two thirds of you said it will be more difficult to attend a Masterclass in the future, mainly due to training budget cuts and other funding issues, followed by difficulty reaching venues and getting time off work.
- Many of you requested events in the North of England and Scotland.
- Several asked for reduced cost via sponsorship.
- Many of you would value events that are clearly linked to professional development, such as the GLF or ACLF.
- Nearly two thirds of you would be interested in web-based events. However, you were also keen to point out that, although web-based events would be received positively, you would not want them to replace face-to-face learning which you still very much value for its networking opportunities and interaction with colleagues and experts.

We thank all those who responded for their feedback. Here's how we intend to address the comments:

- We are now actively pursuing the ability to deliver webinars and plan to have a series in the summer and autumn. Our valued face-to-face Masterclasses and other events will of course continue as usual.
- We are currently investigating the possibility of holding regional Masterclasses with local experts.
- We constantly strive to make our events affordable whilst covering our own costs. Our Groups recently agreed to more actively pursue sponsorship for their Masterclasses.
- We will map our advanced level Masterclasses to the Advanced & Consultant Level Framework (ACLF) so that you can clearly see how you will benefit in terms of professional development.

## 9. Consultations

Since April 2010 we have responded to 56 consultations, ranging from NICE and the Department of Health (DoH) to MHRA and GPhC. If appropriate, we invite the RPS to endorse our responses and collaborate with other specialist groups.

### Consultations responded to from 1 April 2010 to 31 March 2011:

<b>DoH</b>	Strategy for Services for Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) in England
<b>MHRA</b>	ARM 66 Request to extended maximum treatment period and make pack size changes to Voltarol Emulgel P
<b>NICE</b>	Acute upper GI bleeding scope consultation
<b>NICE</b>	Clinical guideline - Venous thromboembolic diseases scope consultation
<b>NICE</b>	Meningitis guideline pre publication check
<b>MHRA</b>	ARM 68 RECLASSIFY A PRODUCT FROM P TO GSL Ibuleve Speed Relief Max Strength Gel 10% w/w.
<b>NICE</b>	COPD update – pre publication check
<b>DoH</b>	Proposals to introduce prescribing responsibilities for paramedics
<b>GPhC</b>	Standards Consultation
<b>NICE</b>	Type 2 diabetes: preventing the progression from pre-diabetes to type 2 diabetes among high-risk groups
<b>NICE</b>	MND - pre publication check
<b>NICE</b>	Delirium guideline – pre publication check
<b>RPSGB</b>	Unofficial consultation on the availability of theophylline
<b>NPSA</b>	Reducing dose errors with low molecular weight heparins
<b>British Thoracic Society</b>	Draft BTS Guidelines for advanced diagnostic and therapeutic flexible bronchoscopy in adults
<b>RPSGB/NICE</b>	Asthma in children – Omalizumab
<b>NICE</b>	Neutropenic sepsis scope

<b>NICE</b>	Antibiotics for neonatal infection
<b>NICE</b>	Organ donation scope and GDG recruitment
<b>NPSA</b>	Rapid response report, prevention of over infusion of intravenous fluid and medicines in neonates
<b>NICE</b>	Alcohol dependence and harmful use
<b>NPSA</b>	Draft RRR - failure of patients following laparoscopic surgery
<b>NICE</b>	Call for evidence for the partial update of NICE clinical guidelines 18 and 34 on the management of hypertension
<b>NICE</b>	Single technology appraisal - Mannitol for the treatment of cystic fibrosis
<b>NICE</b>	Epilepsy Guidance Update
<b>NICE</b>	Type 2 diabetes – preventing the progression from pre-diabetes
<b>BTS/SIGN</b>	British guideline on the management of asthma
<b>NICE</b>	Diabetic Foot Problems – inpatient management guideline consultation
<b>NICE</b>	Ovarian Cancer guideline Consultation
<b>MHRA</b>	Review of medicines legislation – informal consultation on the medicines act 1968 etc
<b>NICE</b>	COPD and Chronic Kidney Disease
<b>MHRA</b>	ARM 71, request to reclassify Radian B Ibuprofen 5% gel 100g
<b>NICE</b>	Patient experience in generic terms – advert for chair of the guidance and quality standard dev group
<b>NICE</b>	Quality standards consultation – diabetes in adults and glaucoma
<b>NICE</b>	Type 2 diabetes draft guidance consultation –preventing pre-diabetes in adults
<b>NICE</b>	CG54 Urinary tract infections in children
<b>NICE</b>	Alcohol dependence and harmful alcohol use – pre publication check
<b>NICE</b>	Colistimethate sodium and tobramycin powder for inhalation for the treatment of pseudomonas aeruginosa lung infection in cystic fibrosis
<b>NICE</b>	Feverish illness in children-assessment and initial management in children younger than 5 years
<b>NICE</b>	Stable angina guideline consultation
<b>NPC</b>	Prescribers of Specials
<b>NICE</b>	Epilepsy (update)

<b>NICE</b>	Peritoneal dialysis draft guideline consultation
<b>NICE</b>	Review proposal consultation-drug misuse: opioid detoxification
<b>NPSA</b>	Empowering patients for the safer use of insulin
<b>NICE</b>	Coloscopic surveillance for prevention of colorectal cancer in patients with ulcerative colitis, crohn's disease or adenomas
<b>NICE</b>	Quality standards consultation-Alcohol Dependence and Chronic Heart Failure
<b>NICE</b>	Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis consultation
<b>NICE</b>	Ovarian Cancer pre publication check
<b>MHRA</b>	POM to P ARM 73 Ibusol lotion
<b>RPS</b>	EMA Reflection Paper, clinical studies with herbal medicinal products in the paediatric population
<b>NICE</b>	Draft guideline consultation: hypertension (update)
<b>NICE</b>	Organ donation draft guideline consultation
<b>NICE</b>	Diabetes in pregnancy CG63
<b>NICE</b>	Review of clinical guideline-CG03 preoperative tests
<b>DoH</b>	Liberating the NHS: Developing the healthcare workforce

The UKCPA General Manager continues to scope for consultations that UKCPA can usefully contribute to and registers the Association as a stakeholder.

Written by Dr Sarah Carter, General Secretary, April 2011  
 Endorsed by Sharron Millen, Professional Secretary.

## Treasurer's annual report 2010-2011

Helen Bradbury was treasurer for at least 5 years and finished in April 2010. Graham Hall took over for 8 months and Mark Tomlin became treasurer in December 2010.

On initial inspection the UKCPA finances record a loss in 2010-11. This is the first loss recorded for at least 5 years and amounts to a cash flow deficiency of approximately £16k (3.9% of turnover). However this results from income from the May 2010 conference being taken in 2009-10. An average of the last two years would show a profit each year of over £55k or 12% of turnover. This is in line with previous years. It is difficult to know if the fall in sponsorship is due to the same effect as above or a reflection of the current economic climate.

We have made a number of investments in member services and practitioner development using new technologies. We have taken on extra staff in the short term that increased our costs by £12k. After some reconfiguring in the office we look for a self employed part time book-keeper. At the UKCPA business planning meeting in January 2010 it was agreed to allocate £29,000 to fund a secondment to the post of professional support coordinator to develop, coordinate and enhance a new portfolio of educational and professional development services provided by UKCPA, in particular those with an IT and multimedia element. This secondment will run for one year.

The good news is that membership is strong with income rising each year due to growth in numbers. For the period July 2011 – June 2012, membership subscription fees will increase as follows:-

Ordinary member	£71	(from £68)	(just under 5%)
Direct Debit member	£66	(from £63)	(just under 5%)
Overseas member	£66 plus £10 postage costs		(from £63 plus £10 postage costs)**
Student	£26	(from £25)	(just under 5%)
Corporate membership	£420	(from £400)	(5%)
BPSA (electronic membership only)	FREE		

**\*\*New category: Overseas electronic membership rate of £66. These members are exempt from receiving any communication in hard copy and should, instead, refer to the UKCPA website/receive electronic copies of mailings – ie, In Practice, award flyers, event notices.**

We are sustaining discounts for BPSA, students and pre-registration pharmacists and I encourage you to get these people to join and share the networking and the learning for the future.

We must also ensure that we secure sponsorship for our courses in order for them to operate with a sustainable working margin. I am optimistic that our cash flow will resolve. I recognise that times are tough and that many hospital departments will decrease training budgets and more staff will be self funding. We will continue to price our courses competitively (at a fraction of commercial organisers).

For this we need your enthusiastic support and encouragement to our industry supporters that they are gaining access to opinion leaders and key practitioners. We have established master classes to ensure that the individual members have access to leading practitioners

I would like to thank Marie and Dorothy and Graham, for the support they give me in my role as treasurer of UKCPA

Mark Tomlin  
April 2011

## Unaudited Income and Expenditure Accounts for 2010/11

<b>INCOME</b>	2009/10	2010/11	<b>EXPENDITURE</b>	2009/10	2010/11
<b>Membership</b>			<b>Committees</b>		
Ordinary & overseas	£136,246.00	<b>£137,664.81</b>	General	£6,387.38	<b>£7,490.30</b>
Student	£192.00	<b>£364.00</b>	EPC	£1,022.51	<b>£1,398.82</b>
Corporate	£10,747.50	<b>£11,053.00</b>	Public Relations	£0.00	<b>£73.73</b>
			R & D	£0.00	<b>£138.50</b>
			BMG	£0.00	<b>£2,047.25</b>
<b>Courses</b>			<b>Groups</b>		
In house	£263,630.11	<b>£195,940.65</b>	Education & Training	£376.42	<b>£161.75</b>
Commissioned	£1,000.00	<b>£1,200.00</b>	Quality & Risk Man.	£0.00	<b>£0.00</b>
			Critical Care	£155.50	<b>£71.65</b>
<b>Bank Interest</b>	£4,418.74	<b>£163.27</b>	HAT	£104.00	<b>£1,259.64</b>
			Neurosciences	£61.00	<b>£54.60</b>
<b>Sundry</b>			Care of Elderly	£0.00	<b>£0.00</b>
Books/Practice Guides	£78.50	<b>£6.70</b>	Surgery & Theatres	£131.04	<b>£0.00</b>
Office services	£0.00	<b>£0.00</b>	Infection Man.	£60.70	<b>£294.25</b>
Postage (mailings) on behalf of Industry	£0.00	<b>£0.00</b>	Respiratory	£187.56	<b>£486.80</b>
Online Filing Discount	£75.00	<b>£0.00</b>	Cardiology	£0.00	<b>£0.00</b>
Awards inc. admin mailing	£15,670.00	<b>£8,105.00</b>	Leadership Management	£112.70	<b>£0.00</b>
Miscellaneous	£1,229.20	<b>£6,719.78</b>	Diabetes	£60.20	<b>£311.38</b>
Sponsorship	£82,000.00	<b>£46,440.00</b>	Information Technology	£0.00	<b>£0.00</b>
			Emergency Care	£0.00	<b>£0.00</b>
Antiplatelet cards postage	£533.19	<b>£522.06</b>	Trustees	£0.00	<b>£150.28</b>
Refund Chair Release Fee	£2,959.20	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>Courses</b>		
			In house	£235,431.68	<b>£194,050.76</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	£518,779.44	<b>£408,179.27</b>	Commissioned	£1,200.00	<b>£1,100.00</b>
			<b>Running costs</b>		
			Rent and services	£10,608.74	<b>£8,207.24</b>
			Staffing/PAYE	£64,799.46	<b>£124,834.21</b>
<b>Excess over expenditure</b>	£127,687.18	<b>-£15,452.23</b>	Accountancy/auditing	£1,691.00	<b>£1,742.00</b>
			Equip. & maintenance	£642.88	<b>£4,164.66</b>
			Tel/Fax/Web/Email	£6,754.62	<b>£4,207.05</b>
			Photocopier/copying	£7,463.38	<b>£9,253.31</b>
			Corporation Tax	£2,839.40	<b>£927.78</b>
			Chair release fee	£8,000.00	<b>£8,000.00</b>
			<b>Administrative costs</b>		
			Bank charges/dir.debits	£600.37	<b>£946.69</b>
			Postage/scales	£2,714.88	<b>£2,149.18</b>
			Stationery	£1,838.24	<b>£1,857.38</b>
			Printing	£1,530.75	<b>£2,819.31</b>
			Travel Expenses	£934.15	<b>£271.28</b>
			In Practice	£11,172.69	<b>£11,520.46</b>
			Insurance	£370.02	<b>£346.24</b>
			Antiplatelet Cards	£0.00	<b>£3,349.06</b>
			Collaborations	£1,321.59	<b>£730.88</b>
			Group Projects	£2,484.30	<b>£1,179.20</b>
			Awards	£11,898.76	<b>£8,076.25</b>
			Miscellaneous	£5,021.34	<b>£14,238.49</b>
			Abstract Publications	£2,000.00	<b>£2,515.00</b>
			Gifts and Donations	£1,115.00	<b>£920.00</b>
			Supported Meetings	£0.00	<b>£2,286.12</b>
			<b>Total expenditure</b>	£391,092.26	<b>£423,631.50</b>

**Disclaimer: Subject to final confirmation from our Auditors -**

## **Trustees' Annual Report 2010 – 2011**

Trustees: Chris Acomb, Nina Barnett, Vincent Cronin, Paul Evans, Gill Hawksworth, Philip Howard

The UKCPA continues to grow from strength to strength and so do the Trustees. We have been joined this year by Nina Barnett (Consultant Pharmacist, Older People at North West London Hospitals Trust). Nina brings a wealth of experience from both within the NHS and also from her work as Professional Development consultant to the Royal Pharmaceutical Society.

All the Trustees have continued to work closely with the General Committee; providing advice and support where necessary. We have helped the offices in representing UKCPA on a number of working parties about the future of the Professional Leadership Body and will continue to promote UKCPA. In addition, we are reviewing how the Trustees can contribute to the functioning of UKCPA in the future and exploring the possibility of moving UKCPA to a charitable trust status. Your views would be welcome.

If anyone is interested in joining the trustees or have any questions relating to UKCPA, please feel free to contact us.

Chris Acomb  
Chair of Trustees

## Education & Training Group Annual Report 2010

### Current Committee

Chairperson: Sally Lau (until September 2010) Maria Christou (since September 2010)

Committee Members: Janet Gilbertson, Sally Lau, Jeremy Liew, Jill McDonald, Ros Meju, Helen Middleton, Lizzie Mills, Amer Safdar

### Group members

There are 269 members registered for the e-mail network, a 29% decrease on last year.

### Committee meetings 2010

1 held in May 2010 GHP/UKCPA conference

### Activity and Achievements

1. Contribution to consultations: Individual members contributed to all GPhC consultations on education and CPD standards (for pharmacists and pharmacy technicians)
2. Links with third party organisations/associations: Individual members link with development work/activities of the RPS and a number of Schools of Pharmacy
3. Department of Health: None
4. Other National committee involvement/collaborations: Ongoing interaction and collaboration with the NHS Pharmacy Education & Development Committee
5. International: Individual members contribute presentations to the Pharmacy Life Long Learning Conference

### Publications

The committee members have been actively publishing on E&T matters. These include:

1. In Practice: [E&T group news articles were submitted for all editions in 2010]
2. Pharmacy Magazine: [Jeremy Liew – E&T in Primary Care]
3. British Journal of Clinical Pharmacy: [None]
4. Clinical Pharmacist: [Morris K, Safdar A, Jones SC, Jubraj B (2010) "Make reflection part of your daily practice" Clin Pharm, Vol 2, 397-99]
5. Any other publications [None]

### Study days (One)

The annual E&T Group Study day was held on: Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2010.

Title: 'Roles of the pharmacy educators in the changing regulatory landscape'.

Venue: Regent's College Conference Centre, London.

Delegate number: 15

Sponsorship: None. This is an ongoing issue for the E&T Group due to the fact that the Pharmaceutical Industry are not willing to support non clinically oriented educational events]

Delegate feedback: Positive comments regarding the knowledge base and enthusiasm of presenters. A few negative comments around content of some presentations - too much focus on national changes in regulation and less focus on impact for pharmacy educators.

### Proposed study days

One study day planned for June 2011 –Topic: To be decided – the focus of the 2011 study day will be on skills for pharmacy educators in the context of the national changes affecting Pharmacy Education & Training. Date & venue: 7th June 2011, Ramada Hyde Park, London. An effort will be made to share venue with another UKCPA specialist group so that the cost would be shared. Ideas for securing sponsorship will be discussed at the next E&T Group Committee meeting (planned for 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2011).

## **GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Symposium 2010**

GHP/UKCPA Conference – 14-16 May 2010: A line of E&T/Community Pharmacy sessions were delivered. The following E&T Group committee members were directly involved with the delivery of the following sessions: Portfolio Building (Lizzie Mills & Maria Christou; Assessment of portfolios (Helen Middleton and Aamer Safdar). In addition, Aamer Safdar assessed abstracts submitted for the conference and also adjudicated posters during the conference.

UKCPA Symposium 19-21 November 2010: No E&T related sessions. Lizzie Mills run a session (with Jennifer Archer and Clive Joliffe) on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> entitled: UKCPA's Community Pharmacy House Party – Celebrating having a life style with less stress and more confidence. Maria Christou contributed to the adjudication of posters Hameln Pharmaceuticals award.

## **Contribution/Participation in other (non UKCPA) Conferences/events**

RPS Conference: Supporting Patient and Professional Decision Making, 5-6 September 2010: Maria Christou gave an oral presentation on 6 September. Title: "Engendering and Appraising 'Professionalism' in Pharmacy Education.

## **Any other matters to report**

### **1. Targets for 2011/12**

- Establish the revised key functions and responsibilities of the E&T Group
- Support the General Secretary of the UKCPA to collate organisational responses to key GPhC consultations relevant to Pharmacy E&T
- Establish a work plan for all E&T Group Committee members through through 'task & finish' groups on a rolling rota.
- Continue active engagement in 'Partnership working groups' of the UKCPA e.g. the professional development and professional recognition (credentialing) work streams in association with the Royal Pharmaceutical Society (RPS)
- Review the organisational arrangements for the E&T Group study day in order to attract more delegates and minimise costs
- Organise E&T workshop sessions for GHP/UKCPA conference and UKCPA Symposia in association with the EPC committee
- Initiate group projects based on specialist interest and expertise of group members
- Submit abstracts of research/development projects related to E&T to non UKCPA conferences

### **2. Sponsorship secured from the industry for the group**

- 3.** None to date.

### **3. Group projects in progress**

Several committee members are still involved in the further development and application of the Education, Training and Workforce Development (ETWD) competency framework launched in 2008.

M Christou on behalf of the E&T Group Committee  
January 2011

## Gastroenterology/Hepatology Group Annual Report 2010/11

### Current Committee

Chairperson: Anja St. Clair Jones

Committee Members: Sarah Knighton, Joyeta Das, Sarah Cripps, Dan Greer, Jackie Eastwood, Katherine King, Siuman Tin

### Group members

There are 217 members registered for the e-mail network, a 25% increase on last year.

### Committee meetings 2010

None, done over the net.

### Activity and Achievements

1. Contribution to consultations
  - a. NICE Upper GI bleeding guidelines
  - b. NICE Crohn's guideline
  - c. NICE organ transplant guidelines
  - d. NICE Testing for Hepatitis B and C
  
2. Links with third party organisations/associations :
  - a. BPNG
  - b. UK and Eire Liver Transplant Pharmacist Group
  
3. Department of Health [none]
  
4. Other National committee involvement/collaborations
  - a. UK IBD standards committee
  - b. UK IBD audit Steering group
  - c. National Liver Disease Strategy
  
5. International [none]

### Publications

The committee members have been actively publishing on XXX matters. These include:

1. In Practice:
  - a. February 2010
  - b. May 2010
  - c. August 2010
  - d. December 2010
  - e. February 2011
2. Pharmacy Magazine: [include edition, title of article and author]
3. British Journal of Clinical Pharmacy: [include edition/s, title of article/s and author/s]
4. Clinical Pharmacist;
  - Das J. Hepatitis B diagnosis and monitoring. *Clinical Pharmacist*. January 2010;2:11-16
  - Das J. Hepatitis B management. *Clinical Pharmacist*. January 2010;2:17-21
  - St. Clair Jones A, Mesalazine: is changing to the cheapest really cost-effective? PJ On line 20/08/2010
  - St. Clair Jones A Support for specialist and advanced practice and recognising the differences. *The Pharmaceutical Journal* 2010;284:214
  - De Silva S, St. Clair Jones A, Kelly M, Inflammatory Bowel disease articles, *Clinical Pharmacist* 2011;3:73-84

5. Any other publications

- a. Sarah Knighton. Drugs in Use 4<sup>th</sup> Edition. Edited by Linda Dodds. Chapter 15 – Alcoholic Liver Disease
- b. Sarah Knighton. Editorial board member for the journal “Viral Hepatitis in Practice”
- c. Sarah Knighton. Hepatitis C – Emerging new treatments. Hospital Pharmacy Europe – in Press
- d. Greer D. CPPE IBD – focal point
- e. Das J. CPPE Liver disease - learning at lunch

**Study days** (held since last annual report)

Hep! Hep! Hurray!

Gastroenterology/Hepatology Group Study Day for advanced practitioners

Kingsway Hall Hotel, London

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2010

43 participants

Sponsors 3 + 1 educational grant, exhibitor 3

Feedback positive, one presenter could not make it suddenly, so no specific clinical IBD session.

**Proposed study days**

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Gastro/hepatology for beginners (excellent feed back in 2009)

**GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Symposium**

Autumn Symposium 2010 - 1 liver session Alcoholic Liver Disease

**Contribution/Participation in other (non UKCPA) Conferences/events**

1. Sarah Knighton - Addiction and the Liver Conference June 2010 (British Journal of Hospital Medicine National conference) – presented a session on “Medication in Severe Liver Disease – should we be worried”
2. Sarah Knighton – British Society Gastroenterology Annual Conference 2010 (Liverpool Monday 22<sup>nd</sup>-Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March). Evening Session – Management of Hepatitis B and the King’s Treatment guidelines
3. Sarah Knighton. Pharmacist Educational Evening Meeting in London– presentation on Hepatitis C Oral Agents. Wed 17<sup>th</sup> November. Supported By Gilead.

**Any other matters to report**

**1. Sponsorship secured from the industry for the group** [excluding study days which is included above]

NONE

**2. Group projects in progress** ACLF handbook complete to be endorsed by the BSG

Assessment method to be developed.

Anja St. Clair Jones on behalf of the Gastro/Hepatology Group Committee

18/3/11

## Medicine Safety and Quality Group Annual Report 2010/11

### Current Committee

Chairperson: Amanda McLean

Committee Members: Rachel Leff, Stephen Grogan, Gillian Cavell, Jane Nicholls

Co-opted members: Margaret Stone, David Upton, Alice Osborne, Nicola Wake

### Group members

There are 249 members registered for the e-mail network, a slight increase on last year.

### Committee meetings 2010

None held; all communication at symposia or via email

### Activity and Achievements

1. Contribution to consultations

None to note

2. Links with third party organisations/associations

None to note

3. Department of Health

None to note

4. Other National committee involvement/collaborations

NPSA; National Pharmacy Clinical Trials Group

5. International

None to note

### Publications

The committee members have been actively publishing on medicine safety matters. These include:

1. In Practice: March 10; July 2010; October 2010
2. Clinical Pharmacist; Jane Nicholls and C Livingstone "what kind of medication incidents should pharmacists be reporting?"] Jan 2011.

### Study days

A study day for advanced practitioners was held in London February 2010. The day allowed colleagues working in Medicine Safety to show how they worked locally to share learning, and shared experiences of those working nationally to develop safer medicine initiatives.

### GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Symposium 2010

A fringe meeting was held in November 2010 on improving the recording of medication incidents by pharmacists

A session on **Missed doses-cutting the risk** was run in November 2010

#### 1. Targets for 2010/11

To continue to support pharmacists working within medicine safety in their practice and development

#### 2. Sponsorship secured from the industry for the group

The Patient Safety award is linked to this group and is supported by Pfizer

**3. Group projects in progress** The group is working on competency frameworks, in line with the objectives of the UKCPA.

Amanda McLean, on behalf of the Medicine and Safety Group Committee  
19 Jan 2011.

## Critical Care Group Annual Report 2010/11

### Current Committee

Chairperson: Mark Borthwick

Committee Members: Ruth Forrest, Meera Thacker, Rob Shulman, Emma Graham-Clarke, Richard Bourne

### Group members

There are 476 members registered for the e-mail network, a 13% increase on last year.

### Committee meetings 2011

16<sup>th</sup> April 2010

2<sup>nd</sup> November 2010

### Activity and Achievements

#### 1. Contribution to consultations

The critical care group led the UKCPA response to the NICE guidance consultation on delirium. The guideline was updated in line with many of the recommendations and was published in July 2010. Further input into the implementation strategy was also provided.

Emma Graham Clarke acted as a guinea pig for the National Clinical Assessment Service, a workstream of the National patient Safety Association that aims to resolve concerns about a practitioner's performance. Rob Shulman was consulted on patient information leaflets produced by the Intensive Care Society (ICS).

#### 2. Links with third party organisations/associations

Members of the group contribute to the Royal Pharmaceutical Society's workstreams on Professional Recognition and Roadmap for Pharmaceutical Science and Research.

We are engaged with the Intensive Care Society to seek ways of working more closely with each other

#### 3. Department of Health

The group continues to contribute to the Critical Care Stakeholders forum at the department of health. Keith Young, the Policy manager for critical care at the department of health has retired, he is a true friend for pharmacy and co-funded our early work on competency frameworks.

The group contributed to the Swine Flu Critical Care Clinical Group set up by the department of health during the winter 09/10. Pharmacists and the UKCPA are recognised in the final report published in July 2010.

#### 4. Other National committee involvement/collaborations

Meera Thacker and Rob Shulman continue to work with the Health Protection Agency (HPA) on flu through major teleconferences. They also updated treatment guidelines in collaboration with others and these were distributed through the UKCPA, HPA and ICS in January 2011

#### 5. International

The President of the Society of Critical Care Medicine, Judith Jacobi, visited critical care pharmacists in London over 2 days in June. She also gave an evening presentation to the UKCPA at Guys Tower on professional recognition in the US. This story was covered by Clinical Pharmacist.

### Publications

The committee members have been actively publishing on Critical Care matters. These include:

1. In March, Mark Borthwick commented on a dopamine vs noradrenaline for shock study and in September Rob Shulman was asked to comment on a study that looked at cisatracurium in ARDS, both comments were for Clinical Pharmacist. In addition, Mark Borthwick commented on a study looking at the effect of rivastigmine on delirium in critical care for the Pharmaceutical Journal in November
2. Contributions to all editions of In-Practice were co-ordinated and written by Ruth Forrest
3. Improving medicines reconciliation after discharge from a critical care unit, British Journal of Clinical Pharmacy, June 2010 Conor Corbett, Rob Shulman
4. Use of Inotropes in critical care, Clinical Pharmacist, December 2010 William Berry, Catherine McKenzie

5. Delirium: a guide to a common condition, *Pharmaceutical Journal*, August 2010, Mark Borthwick, Nina Barnett
6. Thromboprophylaxis in intensive care: a nationwide, multidisciplinary quality improvement project. *Journal of the Intensive Care Society* Autumn 2010 Conway Morris, R Forrest and A Campbell
7. Posters  
Recording the review date when prescribing antibiotics on ICU; an audit at Sandwell General Hospital  
*Karen Martin and Anjali Gupta, Supervised by Emma Graham Clarke*  
British Society for Antimicrobial Chemotherapy, Spring Meeting 2010

Anticoagulation therapy in haemofiltration patients in critical care at Sandwell General Hospital  
*Aujla H, Elliott M P, Graham-Clarke E M and Marriott J F*  
UKCPA Autumn Symposium 2010

Anticoagulation for haemofiltration in critical care  
*Emma Graham-Clarke, Kavita Sharma, John Marriott, Matthew Elliott*  
Royal pharmaceutical Society Conference, 5-6 September 2010

Med Wreck: An Audit of Communicated Changes to Medication during an In-Patient Stay  
*Emma Graham-Clarke, Matthew Elliott, Jennifer Hussain, Keith Wilson*  
Royal pharmaceutical Society Conference, 5-6 September 2010

Improvement in medicines reconciliation in an intensive care unit *Ruth M Forrest, Nicola A Lochrin and Sarah J Ramsay* Scottish Intensive Care Society Annual Scientific meeting, 21st - 22nd January 2010

#### **Study days** (held since last annual report)

24<sup>th</sup> February 2010, Kensington Close Hotel

A repeat of the "Starting Out in Critical Care" day ran in London attended by 42 delegates. The usual building blocks of critical care practice (Shock, Fluids and Sedation) were covered

24<sup>th</sup> September 2010, Kingsway Hall Hotel, London

This Advanced Practitioner Meeting attracted 52 delegates who attended sessions on Acute Lung Injury, drug removal in haemofiltration, delirium management, liver failure, metformin associated lactic acidosis and the background to a new study on the impact of pharmacists interventions in critical care.

#### **Proposed study days**

1<sup>st</sup> March 2011, Ramada Hyde Park, London – "Starting out in critical care"

23<sup>rd</sup> September, Venue TBC – "Advanced Practitioner Meeting"

#### **GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Symposium 2010**

Autumn Residential Symposium: 21<sup>st</sup> November 2010, Acute Heart Failure Syndrome, William Berry

#### **Any other matters to report**

A credentialing day was held at St Thomas' on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2010. Five candidates were evaluated using the process designed by the group. Observers from the UKCPA, RPSGB and Department of Health also attended. The next scheduled day is 25<sup>th</sup> May 2011, again at St Thomas'.

Mark Borthwick, on behalf of the Critical Care Group Committee  
24/01/2011

## Care of the Elderly Group Annual Report 2010/11

### Current Committee

Chairperson: Derek Taylor

Committee Members: Garry Todd, Christina Short, Sarah Crotty, Rhona Petrie,  
Balwinder Bolla, Lorraine Lanchbury

A big thank-you to Caroline Bowyer who stood down recently after seven years on the committee but we are pleased to welcome four new committee members.

### Group members

There are 254 members registered for the Care of the Elderly e-mail network, a 16% increase on last year. There are 169 members on the Stroke e-mail network, a 20% increase on last year.

### Committee meetings 2010/11

Communication between committee members was via email and telephone - no face-to-face committee meetings were held.

### Activity and Achievements

- Release of the final approved version of the Care of Older People Handbook for Specialist and Advanced Practice – this has been endorsed by the British Geriatrics Society and their logo appears on the cover page. The handbook has proved very popular with our members, with many requests from both inside and outside of the UK.
- Continued strong links with the London, East & South East Older People Pharmacy Network
- Representation on the RCP Intercollegiate Stroke Working Party

### Publications

- In Practice - the committee has contributed to all recent editions.
- Pharmacy Magazine – July 2010 - “Pharmacists in Public Health – Targeting Medication Use Reviews performed by community pharmacists” - By Sarah Crotty, Parveen Baden and Bola Ogunremi

### Study days (held since last annual report)

The Group ran another joint meeting with the London Older People Pharmacy Network entitled “Improving medicines management in care homes and reducing the risk of falls in older people”, which was held in London on 10<sup>th</sup> November 2010. As with our previous joint meetings, this day was full to capacity with very positive feedback from those who attended. The meeting was sponsored by Alliance Pharmaceuticals.

### Proposed masterclasses

The Group has planned a masterclass entitled “Management of Parkinson’s Disease and Dealing with Dysphagia” to be held in London on 28<sup>th</sup> September 2011. This topic is in response to activity on our message board, including requests relating to medicines administration (particularly in Parkinson’s Disease patients) and the supply of “specials” in community.

### GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Symposium 2010/11

- No workshops were directly organised by the Group in 2010/11 but did advise the Neurology Group on the Epilepsy workshop in the Autumn 2010 symposium.
- The Group is to help organise a workshop in the November 2011 symposium, relating to MUR’s and preventing falls.

### Contribution/Participation in other (non UKCPA) Conferences/events

None in 2010/11

## **Any other matters to report**

### **1. Targets for 2011/12**

- a) Investigate models of assessment within older people pharmacy services through links with RPS and Scottish colleagues
- b) Running a UKCPA webinar on the primary-secondary care interface: reducing hospital admissions
- c) Annual update of Handbook for Specialist and Advanced Practice
- d) Further development of links with British Geriatric Society
- e) Advertise and encourage use of Pharmapedia website amongst Group members
- f) Advertise and further increase membership and usage of message board – this has improved in 2010/11 but could further expand the number of queries and replies

### **2. Sponsorship secured from the industry for the group – none**

**3. Group projects in progress** – targets a), b) & e) above are in the early stages of development, whereas targets c), d) & f) are more progressed

Derek Taylor, on behalf of the Care of the Elderly Group Committee  
March 2011

## **Surgery and Theatres Group Annual Report (Apr 2010-Mar 2011)**

### **STPG membership**

The STPG boasts an impressive membership of around 400 members currently subscribed to the STPG newsgroup. This is a similar number to that stated in last year's report

### **Committee members**

Debra Morris (chair)

Barbara Wilson

Nicola Ward

Nicola Howarth

Angela Burgin  New recruits for 2011

### **Meetings held**

The committee meet at the study days and during the Autumn symposium whenever possible. The majority of the communication is via email and phone calls

### **Study days held in 2010**

**September 2010** – A joint study day with the Pain group 'Anaesthetics – Behind closed doors'. This was held at The Studio, Birmingham. Maximum number of delegates (with a waiting list) 3 committee members and 4 speakers

**November 2010** – 3 workshop sessions at the Autumn symposium

**Session 1** – Fluid management in the surgical patient (*led by Debra Morris and Charles Walker*)

**Session 2** – Complex surgical patients and anticoagulation (*Joint session with HAT, Debra Morris and Barbara Clarke*)

**Session 3** – Peri-operative nutrition and drug management (*led by Nicola Ward*)

### **Masterclasses planned for 2011**

#### **June 20<sup>th</sup> 2011**

Surgery & Theatres Group

Vascular surgery, Ramada Hotel Leicester. Program to be confirmed

#### **Autumn Symposium 2011**

3 work sessions planned (peri-op meds, post-op meds and Enhanced recovery)

### **Publications**

#### **In Practice**

The group has submitted an article for every edition of 2010 In Practice

#### **Pharmacy Magazine**

Contribution by Debra Morris 'Management of Prostate Cancer' January 2010

### **Other activities**

-NICE - Stakeholders workshop on VTE management, Debra Morris attended on behalf of UKCPA

-ACLF – Ongoing work, contributing to the Advanced and Specialist Project Group work.

Contributed to work carried out by HAT on Anticoagulation scoping project

## Respiratory Group Annual Report 2010/11

### Current Committee

Chairperson: Anna Murphy (AM)

Committee Members:

Grainne d'Ancona (GA), Nicola Berns (NB), Toby Capstick (TC), Suman Gupta (SG), Hasanin Khachi (HK), Helen Meynell (HM), Patrick Wilson (PW).

### Group members

There are 249 members registered for the e-mail network, a 13% increase on last year.

### Committee meetings 2011

One formal committee meeting took place on 20/05/2010. All other committee correspondence has been via email and telephone communications.

### Activity and Achievements

#### 1. Contribution to consultations

##### a. NICE

- Colistimethate sodium powder and tobramycin powder for inhalation for the treatment of pseudomonas lung infection in cystic fibrosis (PW)
- Mannitol dry powder for inhalation for the treatment of cystic fibrosis (PW)
- Idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis: the diagnosis and management of suspected idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (All)
- Review of NICE Technology Appraisal Guidance No. 133; Omalizumab for severe persistent allergic asthma (All)
- Roflumilast for the management of COPD (chronic obstructive pulmonary disease) (SG, TC)

##### b. MHRA

- MLX 364: Nicotine replacement therapy: New extended indication and consultation

#### 2. Links with third party organisations/associations

##### a. The British Thoracic Society (BTS)

- Professional advice provided on request (All)
- Committee member of BTS/SIGN pharmacological subgroup guidelines for asthma management (GA/AM)
- Impress guide to information about use of medicines in the NHS (AM)

##### b. Health Innovation & Education Cluster for North East London, North Central London & Essex (HIEC NECLES) (HK)

##### c. Royal Pharmaceutical Society: expert opinion/media activities (All)

#### 3. Department of Health

- ##### a. Successful application for Innovation Funding to support a community pharmacy asthma service in Leicester (AM)

#### 4. Other National committee involvement/collaborations

##### a. Committee member of the Severe Asthma National Network (SANN) (AM)

##### b. Member of the UK Coalition to Stop TB (from December 2008) (TC)

##### c. Member of the BTS MDRTB Clinical Advice Service (from December 2009). - member of the Implementation Group and Steering Group from December 2010 (when the UK MDRTB service became part of the BTS) (TC)

##### d. Product Guardian / Contributor for the Centre of Pharmacy Postgraduate Education (CPPE) (AM, TC, HM)

### Publications

The committee members have been actively publishing on Respiratory matters. These include:

#### 1. In Practice:

##### a. Capstick T. Current Issues in Tuberculosis, Spring 2011

##### b. Khachi H, Gupta S. Roflumilast & Indacaterol. In Practice.

2. British Journal of Clinical Pharmacy:
  - a. Khachi H, Walters L, Thompson K and Antoniou S. Improving the safety of oxygen prescribing. British Journal of Clinical Pharmacy. June 2010.
3. Clinical Pharmacist
  - a. Khachi H, Barnes N and Antoniou S. COPD clinical features and diagnosis. Clinical Pharmacist. December 2010.
  - b. Khachi H, Barnes N and Antoniou S. COPD management. Clinical Pharmacist. December 2010.
  - c. Murphy, AC. Manage patients with difficult-to-control asthma in a specialist clinic. Clinical Pharmacist. January 2011.
  - d. Murphy, AC. Asthma: The condition and diagnosis. Clinical Pharmacist. June 2010.
  - e. Murphy, AC. Asthma: Treatment and monitoring. Clinical Pharmacist. June 2010.
4. Capstick T, Laycock D et Lipman M. Treatment Interruptions and Inconsistent Supply of Antituberculosis Drugs in the UK. Int J Tuberc Lung Dis. in press.
5. Murphy AC. The challenge of managing patients with difficult asthma. Hospital Pharmacy Europe. In press.

#### Poster Presentations

1. Hau TY, Capstick TGD. Audit of antituberculosis drugs toxicity monitoring - adherence to local Trust guidelines. GHP/UKCPA Conference 2010. Poster 32.
2. Lees CAL, Capstick TGD. The role of the pharmacy technician in training inhaler technique for patients with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. GHP/UKCPA Conference 2010. Poster 33.
3. Khachi H, Burman M, Walters L, Sinha-Ray R, Antoniou S and Mandal S. The impact of a multidisciplinary educational programme on the prescribing of oxygen in an acute trust. Thorax 2010 65: A112-A113.
4. Murphy AC et al. Identifying non-adherence with asthma medication and the relationship to clinical outcomes, EAACI, June 2010
5. Murphy AC et al. Identifying non-adherence with asthma medication and the relationship to clinical outcomes amongst adults with difficult-to-control asthma
6. Carter R, Murphy AC et al. Assessing the role of triamcinolone in patients with difficult-to-control asthma. BTS. Dec 2010.
7. A Burton, B Hargadon, AC Murphy et al. The eligibility of patients with difficult asthma for omalizumab since the change to treatment criteria. BTS. Dec 2010.
8. Murphy AC, Scullion JE, et al. Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease: A Pharmacy Based Approach. The European Respiratory Society. Sept 2010

#### Study days (held since last annual report)

1. 7<sup>th</sup> October 2010 – Asthma and Allergy, Leicester. Sponsored in part by Novartis

#### Proposed study days

Joint Respiratory / Pain Study day, September 8<sup>th</sup> 2011, Leeds, sponsored by NAPP.

#### GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Symposium 2010

No contributions in terms of session delivery. Smoking workshop cancelled due to low numbers Nov 2010 symposium.

#### Contribution/Participation in other (non UKCPA) Conferences/events

1. 36<sup>th</sup> UKMi Practice Development Seminar, COPD workshop, September 2010 (AM)
2. Department of Health, EXPO innovation event, March 2011 (AM)
3. European Academy of Allergy and Clinical Immunology conference; speaker post grad meeting and poster presentation, June 2010 (AM).
4. Local Pharmacy Practice Forums presentations (AM, TC)
5. Scottish secondary care prescribing conference, May 2011 (AM)

#### Any other matters to report

##### 1. Targets for 2010/11

- Successful promotion and presentation of the new NAPP asthma award

- Improve networking with members
- Increase membership of the newsgroup and encourage discussion, improve communication, share resources and continually update the membership database
- Encourage membership of pharmacists working in primary care.
- Encourage the membership to develop research projects, with the aim of publishing the results.
- To strengthen links with organisations involved with respiratory and identify areas of practice where we can work together

## **2. Sponsorship secured from the industry for the group**

NAPP pharmaceuticals – Asthma Award

## **3. Group projects in progress**

- Development of a career framework for respiratory pharmacists - The Specialist Curriculum Group (SCG)
- Develop strategy to manage issues arising with supply problems with antituberculosis drugs - with DH and CMU.

Anna Murphy  
Chair UKCPA-Respiratory Group

28<sup>th</sup> March 2011

## **Dermatology Group Annual Report 2011**

The Dermatology interest group has continued to move forward steadily.

During the year a number of queries have been answered through message board and a list of advanced training for those seeking to gain accreditation as Practitioners with a Special Interest in dermatology has been compiled and posted on the message board.

One of our members is also moving forward with plans to establish a dermatology service based at his community pharmacy premises.

Sadly the session planned for the November symposium (“Helping people with eczema to manage their treatment effectively”) had to be cancelled through lack of interest. Outside the UKCPA there is considerable interest in dermatology amongst community pharmacists and we are contributing a session to a forthcoming training day to be held at the RPS in June

We look forward to continuing to make steady progress during 2011.

Christine Clark  
7<sup>th</sup> April 2011

## Emergency Care Group Annual Report 2010/11

### Current Committee

Kirsty Elliott

Ed England

Gail Foreshew

Alastair Graham

Ann Page – acting as contact point for group until new chair elected

### Group members

The Emergency Care message board currently has 257 active members. An increase from 220 in February 2010.

### Committee meetings

No committee meetings have been held.

### Activity and Achievements

#### 1. Contribution to consultations

The group contributed to the consultation on paramedic/ambulance technician prescribing

#### 2. Links with third party organisations/associations

Plans to run joint webinar with RPSGB

### Publications

1. In Practice: May 2010 – Paramedic Prescribing.

### Study days (held since last annual report)

No study days held.

### Proposed study days

RPSGB/UKCPA Webinar: Primary-secondary care interface: Emergency care/medicines reconciliation/learning from implementation of green bags (Thursday 11th August, 7pm)

### GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Symposium 2010

November 2010 UKCPA Autumn Symposium:

“Acute Confusion” work session (Ann Page/Chris Acomb)

Ann Page, on behalf of the Emergency Care Group Committee

18<sup>th</sup> April 2011

## UKCPA Community Group Annual Report 2010

### Current Committee

Chairperson: Gill Hawksworth

Committee Members: Jennifer Archer (Educational lead), Carey Halls, Clive Jolliffe, Angela Langley, Valerie Sillito (Scotland) and Diane Harris.

### Group members

There are 60 members registered for the e-mail network, a 5% increase on last year.

### Committee meetings 2010

The annual community group committee meeting was held at the November conference 2010

### Activity and Achievements

#### 1. Contribution to consultations

The community group sent contributions to appropriate government consultations. Members of the committee depending on area of practice gave helpful comment which included both community pharmacy and primary care.

#### 2. Links with third party organisations/associations

The chair attended meetings with the UKCPA and NPA to consider joint working. It was agreed that the community group give up one of their sessions at the UKCPA November conference 2011 on CDs linked to the insurance aspect of NPA. The chair represented the UKCPA community group at the partnership meeting with RPS and suggested joint working on an educational and training day marketed by the RPS including the previously organised community group sessions on self assessment against the GLF and reducing stress. These could be linked to the UKCPA E&T group and also include a session linked to the UKCPA dermatology group on Eczema and MURs.

The UKCPA community group has close working with some local practice forums through its membership and will be supporting marketing of UKCPA to the WYLPF at their showcase in February 2011.

#### 3. Department of Health – N/A

#### 4. Other National committee involvement/collaborations

The chair is lead for the RPS West Yorkshire local practice forum, CPS committee MHRA, Pharmacy health links and Science advisory committee of RPS. Also linked to HEI, LPC and PCT Public health team locally.

Members of the committee are CPPE tutors and link to CPPE resources eg as speakers or core topics for sessions eg Maria Bell-Alcohol November conference 2010 and the two future conference sessions in 2011.

#### 5. International

Members of the committee are from England with one member of the committee from Scotland. Members of the group also cover Wales and Northern Ireland.

### Publications

The committee members have been actively publishing on community pharmacy matters. These include:

- In practice'-articles from the chairman Gill Hawksworth published in 'In practice'
- i) UKCPA Community group one year on Jan 10
- ii) The WYLPF showcase of good practice April 2010
- iii) Credentialing and portfolio building session held at Joint UKCPA/guild conference May 2010
- iv) Research opportunities through local practice forums July 10
- v) submitted 'Maintaining our scientific heritage in the new NHS' Nov 10
- vi) Future topic –Nov conference CP CPD sessions report.

- Other activity-Publications by chairman Gill Hawksworth

Pharmaceutical journal

i) Article-A General practice framework for community pharmacy Feb 10

ii) Letter-Dermatology evidence- jointly from chair UKCPA CP Gill Hawksworth and Chair of skin care campaign Christine Clark March 10.

iii) Article- Community pharmacy must continue to embrace its scientific heritage September

Pharmacy magazine

i) Benefiting patients- MURs-anticholinesterases March 10

ii) Examples of best practice at WYLPF showcase April 10

iii) Clarifying the pharmaceutical science role in the profession Oct 10

### **Study days**

Re-scheduled study day for March 7<sup>th</sup> was again cancelled due to lack of numbers.'UKCPA's house party celebrating using clinical skills in the community'.

### **Proposed study days**

None planned

### **GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences**

Successful joint session with E&T group about Mapping knowledge and skills using a route you may not be familiar with-organised by Jennifer Archer :-

Joint conference UKCPA/guild May 2010 - Credentialing and portfolio building session very successful -

Jennifer Archer,Linda Hirst,Lizzie Mills.Good feedback well attended. Thanks were given to Lizzie Mills and Linda Hirst.

### **UKCPA Symposium 2010**

i) Nov conference- Developing public health initiatives-Alcohol and obesity-Gill Hawksworth,Maria Bell.Poor attendance(5 compared to 14 registered?) but good feedback and interaction. Thanks were given to Maria Bell guest speaker. The room had problems with IT for a few hours before.\*The room was difficult to find in the hotel a long way from reception which may have caused some not to attend as well as low numbers of community pharmacists.

ii)Nov conference-UKCPAs house party-celebrating having a lifestyle with less stress and more confidence-Lizzie Mills, Jennifer Archer ,Clive Jolliffe. Again poor attendance(only 2 compared to 13 registered).Good feedback.\* Same room used. It was felt by those present by having the closing session before the end of the conference many people decided to go home rather than attend the last workshops

### **Contribution/Participation in other (non UKCPA) Conferences/events**

Chair attended an English board meeting to promote the community pharmacy group and study day.

### **Any other matters to report**

#### **1. Targets for 2010/11**

Rewording community group A&O in line with future NHS white paper.

#### **Community Group (2009)**

The emphasis and nature of community Pharmacists contribution to supporting patients & healthcare is changing, moving from principally a medicines & appliances supply role to having a greater influence over medicines management with a far greater emphasis on the promotion of health and well being.

This includes disease management, prescribing and recommendations to improve the healthcare of patients and supporting carers.

The migration of more care occurring closer to home and facilitating the implementation of the pharmacy-related ambitions & recommendations in the April 2008 Pharmacy white paper are key to maximising community pharmacy contribution to healthcare.

The community steering group aims to highlight the importance of generalist practice and advance the development of community pharmacy through networking across the interface.

The group intends to:-

- Encourage and support progression in community pharmacy by developing career paths and leadership.
- Provide a forum to share clinical experience and best practice in community pharmacy to maximise opportunities for healthcare provision in a community setting.
- Engage with the wider community pharmacy networks to help provide a unified voice on professional issues.
- To raise awareness of the 'General practice framework for community pharmacy'.
- Encourage seamless pharmaceutical care during the patient care journey.

## **2. Sponsorship secured from the industry for the group**

Support from Pfizer throughout 2010 for study day and meetings. Ongoing for 2011.

## **3. Group projects in progress**

- Website-UKCPA website

Community group content to be reviewed for currency in view of a new UKCPA website being developed and transfer across. Ignposting through links to NPA, CCA, C&D and pharmacy companies may be helpful and extending topics.

## **Future activities**

- The committee was very concerned at the effort put in to put on educational topics for the lack of response to study days and lack of attendees at the conference even after good marketing. There is room to market community pharmacy further by the new marketing member of staff. A way forward is joint sessions of sectors showing the clinical/patient pathway. This would require presenters from both sectors delivering the messages based on the focus of the topic to show integration and care planning – showing joined up care. This is the way for the future in everyday practice. An example is patients/people being medicines managed and supported through both the role of community and hospital pharmacists with regard to preventing 28 day re-admission ie showcasing the importance and value of medicines adherence through pharmacy intervention as a key player in the health care team. Future research topics from primary care such as Risk management-safeguarding medicines in care homes or leading edge Public health services in community eg Flu vaccinations due to importance of Public health in future NHS. This should be reported to Business planning requesting more support for community pharmacy in terms of access and promotion and also reported to the EPC committee to think about new format of workshop sessions.
- The committee agreed to help write future articles for In Practice & contribute to E&T sessions and seek 'hands on practitioners' to write/contribute to them who may not have engaged with UKCPA to broaden interest and membership. Next September for October issue Community Pharmacy magazine topic article required on public health/science.
- Topics for future conference work streams suggestions for November 2011, although the committee would welcome the introduction of the joint approach if agreed this is a good way to move forward by the board rather than keeping individual community pharmacy sessions :-  
Diane Harris-Care of Elderly/MURs/preventing falls. (community/care of elderly)  
Clive Jolliffe-Top ten tips for pre-registration tutors (community/ET)  
NPA-CDs(communitiy/interface issues)  
A&Os will need to be written and submitted.  
(Joint conference May 20<sup>th</sup>- 22<sup>nd</sup> Nottingham Crown Plaza 2011-no community session required.)
- Partnership working UKCPA with RPS-potential for RPS to market and organise a day of E&T featuring our UKCPA community pharmacy group session around self assessment against the GLF that was cancelled and adding the session reducing stress in conjunction with UKCPA E&T group. The UKCPA dermatology group could also add their eczema MUR session. The UKCPA marketing officer is liaising with the RPS event organiser in conjunction with the UKCPA community group chair and progress will be reported back to the committee.

- Gill Hawksworth reported that she was looking for a vice chair with the view to handing over chairmanship in future. It was requested that more committee members should be sought as this would be helpful to spread workload. All committee members were thanked for their contribution during 2010. Further investigation into how community pharmacy input was secured highlighted that leading figures in community pharmacy were co-opted onto the UKCPA committee which brought many company employees to the conference. This was to be suggested as a future strategy.

Gill Hawksworth on behalf of the UKCPA Community Group Committee, December 2010

## UKCPA Diabetes Group Annual Report 2011

### Current Committee

Natasha Jacques (Chair), Sally James, Catherine Hamilton, Victoria Ruszala, Patricia Yerbury, Elizabeth Hackett (on maternity leave)

### Group Members

There are currently 213 members subscribed to the diabetes UKCPA discussion group. There are regular questions and answers posed by members.

### Committee Meetings

8<sup>th</sup> Feb 2010 and 18<sup>th</sup> Jan 2011

### Activity and Achievements

#### 1. Contribution to consultations

- Sally James successful in joining the programme development board for NICE preventing diabetes
- Commented on the NICE: prevention of type 2 diabetes: preventing pre-diabetes- ● Consultation on the Draft Scope for NICE: Diabetic foot problems - inpatient management guideline consultation

#### 2. Links with third party organisations/associations

- WebEx presentation for the NPSA on 'Setting up a trust-wide group' to deliver the actions for the NPSA RRR Insulin Safety
- Hosted visit of the NPSA to Heartlands Diabetes centre and appeared in the patient safety week 2010
- Contributed to design and contents of CPPE insulin learning at lunch modules
- Delivered CPPE Route to Revalidation-Diabetes evening sessions in Leicester

#### 3. Other National committee involvement/ collaborations

- Commented on the national 'hypoglycaemia treatment guidelines'
- Defining the diabetes specialist pharmacist for Diabetes UK

### Publications

Journal	Publication date	Title	Author
British Journal of Clinical Pharmacy	2010;2:333	Using liraglutide for glycaemic control in type 2 diabetes	N.Jacques & V.Lee
	2010;2:261	Comment; CHMP recommends rosiglitazone suspension	N.Jacques
Clinical Pharmacist	05.02.10	Comment; Study claims low HbA1c increases mortality risk	E.Hackett
	July/Aug 2010	Comment; Rosiglitazone safety dilemma unclarified by new data	N.Jacques
	07.01.10	Comment; Risk of death lower for pioglitazone and higher for sulphonylureas versus metformin	E.hackett
	30.03.10	Comment; Intensive antihypertensive therapy does not benefit diabetic patients	E.Hackett

	2010;2:150-151	Are you and your patients going to be HbA1c ready?	N.Jacques
Pharmaceutical Journal	2010;285:502	Comment; Liraglutide approved by NICE for dual and triple therapy	N.Jacques
	2010;285:362	Hypoglycaemia fears among diabetes patients	N. Jacques
	03.07.10	Little knowledge of type 2 diabetes	N.Jacques
In Practice			
Diabetes and Primary Care	2010;12(1):10	Working together to improve adherence	N.Jacques
Community Pharmacist	Sep 2010	Making sense of insulin	N.Jacques
Hospital Pharmacy Europe	May 2010	How good glycaemic control can reduce the need for hospitalisation in the diabetic patient	E.Hackett

### Textbook Publications

Book Name	Title	Submission Date	Author
Integrated Pharmacy Case Studies	Case study on hypoglycaemia	09.02.10	E.Hackett
Clinical Pharmacy and Therapeutics	Diabetes chapter	June 2010	E.Hackett

### Study Days

Diabetes study day 'Diabetic Emergencies'. Well attended and positive feedback received. Sponsored by Napp, Lilly, Astra Zeneca & Sanofi

### Proposed Study Day

Diabetes study day on 'Women and Children in Diabetes' organised for June 2011  
Topics chosen to support knowledge base of poorly understood subject area and will support pharmacists in delivering the NPSA agenda for insulin safety

### GHP/UKCPA Activities

Diabetes sessions on hypoglycaemia and intravenous insulin May 2010 conference  
Poster adjudicator at GHP/UKCPA May 2010  
Joint session on insulin safety with NPSA Nov 2010  
Diabetes Award presented to Catherine Walker 2010 UKCPA conference  
Planned diabetes session for Nov 2011

### Contribution/Participation in other conferences

Presented at the Hospital Pharmacists Association of Ireland 2010 conference

### Future Activities

Act as major stakeholder for forthcoming NPSA on insulins  
Registered as a stakeholder for NICE clinical guideline Type 1 Diabetes (update)  
Registered as a stakeholder for NICE guideline on hyperglycaemia  
Development of a diabetes pharmacist framework

Natasha Jacques, Chair on behalf of the Diabetes Group Committee

## Leadership Development Group Annual Report 2010/11

### Current Committee

Chairperson: Cathy Mooney

Committee Members: Graeme Hall, Philip Howard, Richard Cattell, Pippa Roberts, Chris Green, Catherine Duggan, John Quinn, Scott Savage

The LDG is a joint group between the UKCPA and GHP with the key purpose of facilitating the development of leadership in all areas of practice and at all levels.

### Group members

There are 167 members registered for the UKCPA e-mail network.

### Committee meetings 2010

- May 2010 – Hinckley
- Nov 2010 – Daventry

### Activity and Achievements

1. Contribution to consultations - none
2. Links with third party organisations/associations – RPS: development of Mentoring database
3. Department of Health - none
4. Other National committee involvement/collaborations - none
5. International - none

### Publications

The committee members have been actively publishing on leadership matters. These include:

1. In Practice: Any others & Jan 2011
2. Pharmacy Magazine: Sept 2010 – Delegation – Chris Green.
3. British Journal of Clinical Pharmacy: None
4. Clinical Pharmacist: None
5. Any other publications: None

**Study days** (held since last annual report) - None

**Proposed study days** - None

### GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Symposium 2010

- May 2010 – Hinkley: Court case – pharmacist on charge; the power of Neurologistic Programming – understanding the study of excellence; QIPP/QPC – what's it got to do with pharmacy?
- Nov 2010 – Daventry: Personal development for directorate pharmacists: Understanding Yourself; Aligning yourself in the organisation; Working with others – managing performance to deliver priorities

**Contribution/Participation in other (non UKCPA) Conferences/events** - None

### Any other matters to report

#### 1. Targets for 2010/11

- Delivery of 3 workshops on leadership development at both symposia
- Launch the Directorate Pharmacists Pack

#### 2. Sponsorship secured from the industry for the group

Leadership award sponsored by GSK.

#### 3. Group projects in progress

- Mentoring database with RPS.

Philip Howard, on behalf of the Leadership Development Group Committee, 26<sup>th</sup> Jan 2011

## Pain Management Group Annual Report 2010

### Current Committee

Chairperson: Roger Knaggs

Committee Members: Betty Chan, Emma Davies, Gideon Kotey, Lee Wilson.

### Group members

There are 445 members registered for the e-mail network, a 9% increase on last year.

### Committee meetings 2010

The committee has not met in 2010 but maintains regular e-mail contact and communication.

### Activity and Achievements

#### Contribution to consultations

The group co-ordinated the UKCPA response to consultations on the NICE clinical guideline on the pharmacological management of neuropathic pain.

### Publications

The committee members have been actively publishing on behalf of UKCPA. These include:

1. In Practice:  
The Pain Management Group has contributed articles for all editions of In Practice in 2010.
2. Pharmacy Magazine  
Emma Davies. (March 2010)
3. Clinical Pharmacist;  
Wilson L, Knaggs R, Davies E. Opioid Induced bowel dysfunction. May 2010.

### Study days (held since last annual report)

'Persistent Pain: What a pharmacist needs to know'

The Studio, Birmingham, Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2010, Number of delegates 20

£1500 financial support from Pfizer

Delegate feedback: Multidisciplinary sessions it gave a broader picture; Interesting with MDT approach

Exhibitor feedback: The Joint meeting approach worked for us. What was also great was the staggered start times which meant that with staggered tea breaks and lunch.

"Behind closed doors: A journey into the theatre environment"

Pain Management and Surgery & Theatres Groups' Joint Study Day

The Studio, Birmingham, Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2010, Number of delegates 42

Delegate feedback: Enjoyed and very informative; Sessions on anaesthetic pharmacology; Enjoyed practical session with epidural, understanding how to insert it

### Proposed study days

8<sup>th</sup> September 2011

Joint study day with Respiratory group – to include sessions on cancer pain and end of life care

### GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Symposium 2010

Satellite symposium at Autumn symposium 2010 (supported by Napp Pharmaceuticals) on improving patient safety with opioids.

Speakers: Roger Knaggs and Ian Bourns (Chief Pharmacist, East Sussex Hospitals NHS Trust).

### Any other matters to report

1. Targets for 2010/11  
Continued collaborative working with other UKCPA groups.
2. Sponsorship secured from the industry for the group [excluding study days which should be included above]  
Continued support from Napp Pharmaceuticals for UKCPA Pain Management Award.
3. Group projects in progress (ie, competency frameworks, models of care, projects for external organisations/industry)  
Development of competency framework / curriculum for pain management in collaboration with RPGB.

Roger Knaggs on behalf of the Pain Management Group Committee

24th January 2011

## Joint GHP/UKCPA IT Interest Group Annual report for 2010

### Committee

George Gannon (Chair)

Jim Bannerman (Treasurer), Onye Chigbu (Secretary), Garry McCrea (FD BE Award), Graeme Richardson (GHP Council Representative), Stephen Goundrey Smith, Neil Kirby, Howard Goatley – UKTC forum Representative, Judie Finesilver - Articles/ PR, India Hardy – Consultations, Ewan Maule – Pan Pharmacy IT Representative, Cheryl Way - Articles/ PR, Jean Fairhurst - Administration

### Committee meetings

- Annual Away Day, 25<sup>th</sup> February 2010
- Annual Seminar, 6<sup>th</sup> October 2010
- Various teleconference sessions

### Overview

The joint Guild of Healthcare Pharmacists and UKCPA Information and Technology Group, was re-formed in 2006 from the Guild of Healthcare Pharmacists ITIG. The remit of the group differs from the original ITIG and from other UKCPA Groups in that it seeks the participation of practitioners across all clinical specialities, rather than aiming to enrol pure I&T specialists. In fact, this diversity of membership is essential for the continued functioning and success of the Group and we are continually trying to broaden the diversity as technology and its application advances.

The Joint GHP/UKCPA Information and Technology Group aims to channel expert opinion from clinical practitioners and I&T specialists to best inform and influence policy decisions related to the introduction of new technological advances, and also to increase awareness amongst clinical practitioners of key technological changes on the horizon and their likely impact. The information side of the title relates to the way in which technology may be used to enhance the quality of information available to practitioners in influencing clinical and operational decision making. This may relate to anything from immediate availability of test results to aid clinical evaluations, through to the use of key performance indicator data to better inform decisions on where service priorities lie.

### Annual Seminar 2010

The Joint GHP/UKCPA IT Group held the fourth annual seminar on 6<sup>th</sup> October 2010. It welcomed just over a 125 delegates with a mixed range of backgrounds to the Hilton Metropole Hotel in Birmingham and also had a very well supported exhibition. The focus of the seminar was on achieving efficiencies through the use of IT with an emphasis on the QIPP agenda on a number of areas including: the latest developments in ePrescribing in Birmingham, the implementation of Cerner (Pittsburgh version) in Newcastle upon Tyne Hospitals, driving change using IT with a dispensary management system at UCLH, decentralised automation Guy's and St Thomas's, using existing Pharmacy systems (EDS, JAC) to support patient level costing, presentation of the FD BE award winner for a project on e-Discharge, improving Pharmacy Quality Management with Q-Pulse in the Royal Liverpool & Broadgreen University Hospital NHS Trust and an update on the use of IT in City Hospitals Sunderland.

Sadly at the seminar Jean Fairhurst, the ITIG administrative assistant resigned from her position after many years of service. Jean will be a big miss for her ability to organise and keep the group in order at both the seminars and our meetings. The committee and I would like to wish Jean well for the future.

### GHP/UKCPA Joint Annual National Conference 2010

Cheryl Way (National Pharmacy and Medicines Management Lead, Informing Healthcare, Wales. ITIG Committee Member) ran a workshop at the GHP/UKCPA Joint Annual National Conference on behalf of the Joint GHP/UKCPA IT Group. The workshop looked at IT and Clinical Pharmacy, working in partnership to demonstrate how IT systems can support the management of patients' medicines and how these IT systems may affect future clinical pharmacy practice. Although not well attended the session was well received by those who attended.

## **Other contributions**

The group continues to directly provide, and facilitate input into, a number of national projects including:

- Pan Pharmacy IT Group meeting attendance.
- NHS United Kingdom Terminology Centre Implementation Forum.
- The Pharmacy Business Technology Group a sub-group of the National Pharmaceutical Supplies Group (NPSG).

## **Planned Activities for 2011**

- This year's Joint GHP/UKCPA ITIG Seminar is being planned for Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2011 at the Hilton Birmingham Metropole Hotel and Convention Centre near the National Exhibition Centre Birmingham, although the date and venue have yet to be confirmed. An away day is planned in April 2011 to finalise the date and venue, and plan the content.
- Through the course of 2011, the group will continue to look to establish a database to log the implementation of electronic systems across UK in the managed sector.
- Through the course of 2011, the group will continue to look to respond to IT related consultations with a Pharmacy theme.

## **Awards**

First DataBank Europe (FDBE) presented the joint UKCPA/GHP Information Technology award in 2010 to the winners Mark Peppernell and Nilesh Patel from Southampton University Hospitals NHS Trust for their work on an e-Discharge system. This is the last award supported by FDBE and the committee would like to thank FDBE for their generous support over the last 8 years.

The joint UKCPA/GHP ITIG is proud to welcome Mawdsleys as the new sponsors of the joint UKCPA/GHP Information Technology award in 2011. The aim of the annual award continues to be to encourage, support and promote information technology initiatives and best practice in the use of IT in Pharmacy. The award has been modified for 2011, in that the value of the award has been divided as follows; £1500 for first prize and £1000 for the runner up. Interested applicants can find details on the GHP website [www.ghp.org.uk](http://www.ghp.org.uk).

Entries for the 2011 award will close on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2011, judging will take place July/August 2011 with the award being presented at the Joint ITIG Seminar in October 2011.

## **Communication**

### **UKCPA In Practice and Guild Matters**

The ITIG has yet to contribute to the Guild Matters or In Practice other than to publicise the seminar, but it is hoped that this will be utilised in 2011 to improve communication.

### **UKCPA Newsgroup**

There are currently 92 members subscribed to the IT Group message board.

Graeme Richardson (GHP Council Representative to Joint GHP/UKCPA ITIG)  
February 2011

## Neurosciences Group Annual Report 2010/11

### Current Committee

Chair: Shelley Jones

Committee Members:

Annett Blochberger, Ben Dorward, Louise Dunsmure, David Kearney, David de Monteverde- Robb

### Group members

There are 62 members registered for the e-mail network, a 295% increase on last year.

### Committee meetings 2011

The committee mainly communicate via email; a meeting was held in Leicester on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2010.

### Activity and Achievements

#### Contribution to consultations

- a. NICE Epilepsy Update; Final Scope – October 2010
- b. NICE Motor Neurone Disease – non-invasive ventilation draft guideline – March 2010

### Publications

The committee members have been actively publishing on neuroscience matters. These include:

1. In Practice:
  - a. January 2010; Hitting the headlines in Epilepsy and Developments in MS David De Monteverde Robb and Shelley Jones
  - b. July 2010; 3,4 Diaminopyridine licensed for Lambert-Eaton Myasthenic Syndrome; Annett Blochberger and David de Monteverde-Robb and Report from the 1<sup>st</sup> International Dystonia Conference in Hannover; Annett Blochberger
  - c. October 2010; An overview of the management of patients with Parkinson's Disease who are Nil By Mouth or unable to swallow their oral medication and Parkinson's disease and impulse control disorders written by Ben Dorward and Louise Dunsmure
  - d. January 2011; A Sigh of Relief – Report on Neuroscience Group Activity at the November Symposia – Annett Blochberger
2. Clinical Pharmacist: Vol 3; January 2011; Comment on; Spina bifida less likely with carbamazepine than with valproic acid; David Kearney
3. Pharmaceutical Journal; 2011; 286; 37 Comment on: 'Antiepileptic drugs' link with fracture risk strengthened' David Kearney and Ben Dorward

### Articles submitted and accepted but not yet published:

1. Hospital Pharmacy Europe; Cannabinoids in MS; David Kearney and Louise Dunsmure
2. Pharmacy Magazine: Generic Prescribing in Epilepsy – A debate set to run on and on... Shelley Jones

### Proposed study days

March 1<sup>st</sup> 2011 – 'Neurological Disorders – Treatments and Budgets' – to provide an update on the pharmacological management of Myasthenia Gravis and Multiple Sclerosis and raise awareness of budgetary constraints, supply implications and homecare issues.

### GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Symposia

November 2010

Workshop – 'Epilepsy in Focus'. Introduction to epilepsy and two cases – Post Stroke and Pregnancy Fringe Meeting – 'Update on Multiple Sclerosis' – Sponsored £500 (Merck Serono)

An update on new therapies in the pipeline for the management of Multiple Sclerosis, followed by an open forum discussion around commissioning services and funding high cost medication in the management of Multiple Sclerosis.

Proposed workshop for November 2011 Symposium – Neuro-Immunological Disorders.

**Any other matters to report**

The Neurosciences Group extended the Committee in 2010, and were pleased to welcome Annett Blochberger on board.

**1. Targets for 2010/11**

To continue to increase membership

Continue to promote the discussion forum on the newsgroup

Identify opportunities for collaboration with other groups and organisations

Encourage collaborative working between pharmacists to contribute to the research base in neurological disorders

**2. Group projects in progress/to be addressed**

To share experiences and outcomes with SClg in neurological conditions

Competency framework for Neuroscience Pharmacists

Improving communication with primary care re: MS therapy

Shelley Jones, on behalf of the Neuroscience Group Committee

21/1/11

## HAT Group Annual Report 2010

### Current Committee

Chairperson: Sharron Millen, Vice Chair: Barbara Clark

Committee Members: Jig Patel, Robin Offord, Duncan McRobbie, Roz Byrne, Helen Williams, Simon Shepherd, Marie Brazil.

### HAT Mission Statement:

With our valued partners we will strive to ensure the delivery of the best possible care in the field of Haemostasis, Thrombosis and Anticoagulation (HAT) to patients in the UK. This will be achieved by supporting pharmacists with exemplary training and education to match their needs & access to R&D opportunities to build evidence based practice. Realisation of this will depend on skill and expertise of the HAT committee and their membership in driving this agenda forward.

### Group members

Since 2009 membership of the group has increased to 204 members and increase of 58%

### Committee Meetings 2010

Committee meetings were held on 20<sup>th</sup> Jan 2010 (London) & 16<sup>th</sup> September 2010 (Winchester). Minutes are available on request.

### Activity and Achievements:

#### 1. Contribution to consultations

The group provided advice to NPSA RRR on LMWH and NICE guidance 092.

#### 2. Links with third party organisations/associations

The committee currently has stakeholder support from the, Neonatal and Paediatric Pharmacist Group, The Cardiovascular Pharmacist Group, British Oncology Pharmacists Group, Kings Exemplar network & UKCPA specialist groups.

#### 3. Department of Health

VTE leadership group is a stakeholder and National pharmacy directors have supported the group. The HAT chair presented on the role of pharmacists in supporting the multidisciplinary team in delivering VTE activity at the All Party Parliamentary Thrombosis Committee meeting at the House of Commons in November. In Summer 2010 Dr Keith Ridge wrote to Steve Churton as President of RPSGB "**we acknowledge the important role UKCPA HAT group is doing to support pharmacists working in the field of VTE**"

#### 4. Other National committee involvement/collaborations

HAT will be working in partnership with the RPS to develop 3 key work streams on VTE prophylaxis on behalf of the profession.

HAT supported a national meeting, collaborating with procurement groups and NPSA on the supply chains of heparins.

#### 5. International

HAT are presenting at the European Association of Hospital Pharmacists meeting in Vienna (March 2011)

#### 6. Continuing Professional Development

- Supported the writing of the CPPE VTE Learning at Lunch Package.
- Development of Avatar based continuing professional development package in conjunction with Sanofi Aventis and Keele University. Planned launch January 2011

#### 7. Research

The group obtained funding to deliver a piece of multicentred research on patient beliefs on anticoagulants

## **Publications**

The committee members have been actively publishing on matters linked to HAT topics. These include:

1. In Practice. All editions.
2. Pharmacy Magazine: "Prevention is Cheaper than Cure" December 2010; Sharron Millen and Helen Williams.
3. Hospital Pharmacy Europe November / December 2010– "The Future of Anticoagulation" Sharron Millen and Duncan McRobbie
4. Clinical Pharmacist; A view on Einstein – January 2011 – Sharron Millen
5. Introduction of HTML email – 2 copies issued.
6. Publication of 4 answers to frequently asked questions on anticoagulation on the NeLM website on behalf of Department of Health.
  - Thromboprophylaxis in Patients Already on Dual Antiplatelet Therapy: What is Good Practice?
  - Is it safe to prescribe NSAIDs with dabigatran etexilate and rivaroxaban?
  - What are the Recommendations for Placement/Removal of Epidural Catheters in Patients Receiving Concurrent Thromboprophylaxis?
  - What doses of thromboprophylaxis are appropriate for adult patients at extremes of body weight?

## **Masterclass 2010**

Thromboprophylaxis – Evidence in Practice: 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2010 (Kensington Close Hotel, London)

## **Proposed Masterclass 2010**

- Joint Masterclass with Cardiac Specialist Groups 4<sup>th</sup> march (London)
- Acute Management of Clot 1<sup>st</sup> July 2011 (London) – funding secured from BI, Pfizer, Sanofi Aventis and Bayer.

## **GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences & UKCPA Symposium 2010**

### **May 2010**

- New Anticoagulants

### **Nov 2010**

- General Level Anticoagulation – 1 workshop.
- Advanced Level Anticoagulation – 1 workshop
- Fringe session also held on the launch of the new CPD package.

## **Contribution/ Participation in other (non UKCPA) Conferences/ events**

- Planned partnership working with RPD on national VTE targets.
- Membership of the All Party Parliamentary Thrombosis Committee

## **Any other matters**

HAT will be setting a governance process this year to allocate HAT's budget to planned project activities. This is believed will support better delivery of activity.

## **Planned Activity for 2011**

- Partnership work with RPS.
- Novel methods of delivering continuing professional development.
- Securing more industrial stakeholders

## **Sponsorship Secured from Industry**

Bayer Schering Pharma and sanofi aventis continue to support the group with annual sponsorship. Other pharmaceutical companies sponsor events and projects. For further details please refer to the UKCPA website.

Sharron Millen, on behalf of the HAT Group Committee, 20<sup>th</sup> January 2011

## Cardiac Group Annual Report 2011

### Current Committee

Chairperson: Sotiris Antoniou

Committee Members: Helen Williams, Duncan McRobbie, Bob McCartney, Paul Wright (Nov 2010), Alison Warren, Bhavisha Pattani, Steve MCGlynn, Rani Khatib (November 2010)

### Group members

There are 350 members registered for the e-mail network, a 71% increase on last year.

### Committee meetings 2010

No formal committee meetings held

### Activity and Achievements

#### 1. Contribution to consultations

NICE Stable angina – Feb 2011, NICE hypertension guidelines, March 2011

#### 2. Links with third party organisations/associations

Links with British Cardiovascular Society and British Cardiac Intervention Society, Primary Care Cardiovascular Society – CV Pharmacist Group

#### 3. Department of Health

DH guidance – Emerging cardiac technology horizon scanning project – June 2010 (SA and RB)

#### 4. Other National committee involvement/collaborations

NICE Hypertension guidelines (HW), NICE Stable angina guidelines (SA)

### Publications

The committee members have been actively publishing on cardiac matters. These include:

1. Regular articles in the UKCPA quarterly newsletter 'In Practice'
2. Pharmacy Magazine:  
Millen S and Williams H: 2010. Viewpoint from UKCPA: VTE Risk Assessment. Pharmacy Magazine 2010; (Dec 12) 12
3. British Journal of Clinical Pharmacy:  
Antoniou S. Bleeding - the missing link in acute coronary syndrome. BJCP Mar 2010,(2) 87-88  
Antoniou S. Early management of acute coronary syndrome. BJCP May 2010 (2) 139-142  
Antoniou S. Ticagrelor: a new antiplatelet agent for acute coronary syndrome BJCP Feb 2011 (3) 41-43.
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Williams H 2010 How Independent Prescribing Can be Nurtured in Primary Care. Clinical Pharmacist 2010; 2: 264-266  
Williams H 2010 AF Management Clinical Pharmacist 2010 (20) 358-362  
Williams H 2010. Influencing Cardiovascular Prescribing Across a Managed Clinical Network Clinical Pharmacists 2010; Supp 2: S2-3  
Robinson G, Antoniou S. Dronedarone. Clinical Pharmacist 2010 (2) 334-336
5. Other publications  
Williams H 2010: Commissioners Corner: NHS Health Checks: What are they and Where Dose Pharmacy Fit In? Pharmacy Management 2010; 6 (2) 16-21  
Jimenez S, Williams H 2010. NPC Tough Decisions: Introduction of New Oral Anticoagulants: Issue 2;(Oct 2010):6  
Williams H 2010. The Role of Prasugrel in the Prevention of Cardiac Events British Journal of Cardiac Nursing 5 (11): 526 - 528 (Nov 2010)  
Williams H 2011. Stroke Prevention in Atrial Fibrillation Independent Nurse 2011;

The promise of future treatments in AF: is it all over for warfarin? Antoniou S. Future Prescriber 2010 11(2) 6-10.

Reviewers of Learning at Lunch -Heart Failure (AW, RH).

### **Awards**

Helen Williams received the much acclaimed UKCPA GHP 2010 Teva Leadership Award

### **Study days/Masterclasses** (held since last annual report)

Advanced Cardiology, 4<sup>th</sup> March 2010. London

Introduction to Cardiology, 17<sup>th</sup> September 2010, Birmingham

Joint Cardiac/HAT study – Advanced management of AF, 4<sup>th</sup> March 2011

### **Proposed Masterclasses**

Proposed stand alone ACS study day in Sept/October – North and South of England

### **GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Symposium 2010**

Antithrombotics in acute coronary syndrome

### **Any other matters to report**

#### **1. Targets for 2010/11**

Use of survey monkey as a way of reviewing prescribing comparisons across the country

#### **2. Sponsorship secured from the industry for the group**

The group would like to thank the following pharma companies for their support, past and present: Bayer, Boehringer Ingelheim, sanofi aventis, AstraZeneca, A. Menarini, Takeda, Lilly UK.

Sotiris Antoniou on behalf of the Cardiac Group Committee

April 2011

## Infection Management Group Annual Report 2010/11

### Current Committee

Chairperson: Paul Wade

Committee Members: Ysobel Gourlay, Kieran Hand, Philip Howard, Wendy Lawson

### Group members

There are 471 members registered for the UKCPA message board. One of largest group numbers for specialist group

### Committee meetings 2010

- May 2010 – Hinkley
- June 2010 - London
- Sept 2010 – London (free)
- Nov 2010 – Daventry
- Jan 2011 – teleconference

### Activity and Achievements

1. Contribution to consultations – TBC??
2. Links with third party organisations/associations
  - a. British Society of Chemotherapy Council: Kieran Hand & Wendy Lawson
  - b. British Infection Association Council: Philip Howard (formerly British Infection Society and Association of Medical Microbiologists)
  - c. Federation of Infection Societies planning group: Wendy Lawson (& Philip Howard)
  - d. HPA Primary Care Group: Philip Howard
3. Department of Health
  - a. ARHAI Committee – Kieran Hand
  - b. Antimicrobial Resistance Healthcare Acquired Infection (ARHAI) Prescribing Sub Committee (Kieran Hand & Philip Howard)
  - c. ARHAI Pharmacy Subgroup: Paul Wade, Kieran Hand, Wendy Lawson and Philip Howard.
4. Other National committee involvement/collaborations
  - a. Primary Care Antimicrobials Pharmacists Network: Philip Howard for IMG
5. International
  - a. European Society of Antimicrobial Chemotherapy: Hayley Wickens (for IMG)

### Publications

The committee members have been actively publishing on infection management matters. These include:

1. Journal of Antimicrobial Chemotherapy (2010) 65: 2669-73 Antimicrobial Stewardship: an evidence-based, antimicrobial self assessment toolkit (ASAT) for acute hospitals.
2. In Practice
3. Pharmacy Magazine: Sept 2010 by Philip Howard
4. British Journal of Clinical Pharmacy: None
5. Clinical Pharmacist: None
6. Any other publications: None

### Study days (held since last annual report)

- None, but see FIS above.

### Proposed study days

- Wednesday 2nd June 2011 at MacDonald Burlington Hotel in Birmingham

### **GHP/UKCPA Joint Conferences and UKCPA Symposium 2010**

- Nov 2010: Clinical Pearls session: IMG behind the scenes presented by Wendy Lawson Antimicrobial Stewardship workshop – cancelled due to low numbers and additional line added to workshop grid. Conference held immediately after FIS (Edinburgh) where 30+ antimicrobial pharmacists attended.
- May 2010: Pandemic Flu planning workshop

### **Contribution/Participation in other (non UKCPA) Conferences/events**

- Federation of Infection Societies – Antimicrobial Stewardship (parallel session with three speakers from the home nations: Jacqueline Sneddon, Maggie Heginbothom, Kieran Hand)
- BSAC, BIA and Hospital Infection Society annual workshop facilitated by infection pharmacist at 7 venues throughout UK in Oct/Nov 2010 topic fever in returning traveller
- North West Antimicrobial Pharmacy Group – Paul Wade and Philip Howard spoke on behalf of IMG.
- European Association of Hospital Pharmacy – lecture on Early Discharge (Philip Howard)
- Others?

### **Any other matters to report**

#### **1. Targets for 2010/11**

- Delivery of 3 workshops on infection at May joint spring meeting 2011 (Viral hepatitis, antimicrobial stewardship & antimicrobial research).
- Launch the new IMG structure to link up with the DH Network approach.

#### **2. Sponsorship secured from the industry for the group**

- Infection Management Award sponsored by Novartis.

#### **3. Group projects in progress (i.e., competency frameworks, models of care, projects for external organisations/industry).**

- Competency framework
- DH ARHAI Prescribing subgroup – antimicrobial stewardship for acute trusts survey
- European Antibiotics Awareness Day 2011 – co-ordination of day (18<sup>th</sup> Nov) with Federation of Infection Societies
- HPA Primary Care Group - Development of toolkit to improve antimicrobial prescribing in primary care.

Philip Howard, on behalf of the Infection Management Group Committee

25<sup>th</sup> Jan 2011