ADTC Collaborative Newsletter
May 2016

ADTC chairs’ meeting

A meeting of the ADTC chairs, professional secretaries and their representatives was hosted by the ADTC Collaborative on Wednesday 4 May 2016.

Objectives:

• To share the ADTC Collaborative (ADTCC) work plan for 2016-2017
• To hear priorities and challenges for ADTCs for the coming year
• To share and spread good practice
• To consider how we can work together more effectively

Attendance:

19 representatives from 12 ADTCs (including the Golden Jubilee National Hospital) joined in person in Glasgow or via WebEx. The Scottish Medicines Consortium were also represented.

Main points of the discussion on emerging priorities and challenges:

• ADTC Collaborative work plan 2016-2017
Agreement that past outputs (page 3) and work plan (priorities on page 4) represents correct direction of travel. Theme of the 2016 national conference is evidence and outcomes so audience is expected to be wider than ADTCs.

• National consensus statements
Effective Prescribing Programme identified two priority areas for national consensus statements: Gonadorelin analogues for prostate cancer and the new oral anticoagulant agents.
Work on biosimilars to be reframed under a wider biological medicines programme.

• Formulary
Agreement that national consensus is needed (for example on definitions, benefits and risks) and recognition that no formal network of NHSScotland formulary pharmacists exists.

• Implementing, sharing and spreading good practice
Recognition that there is duplication of effort and concerns about lack of ADTC capacity across NHSScotland provides an opportunity for sharing. Agreement that for ADTCs roles and responsibilities, capacity and implementation of outputs can be challenging.

Agreed next steps

Formulary
Explore possibility of achieving consensus on definitions
Agree wording for new medicines decisions template
ADTC Collaborative can support/facilitate a national network of formulary pharmacists if required

Declarations of interest
ADTC Collaborative will share draft template in next few weeks

Annual conference, 2016
ADTC Collaborative will distribute details soon

Future ADTC chairs’ meetings
ADTC Collaborative will organise twice yearly WebEx meetings
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Medicines in the NHS in Scotland: What’s the right treatment for you? Information for patients and the public
Thank you for providing feedback on the medicines factsheet. We are currently working on the final design for publication on mid-June. More details in June.

ADTC Collaborative new webpage
We are pleased to announce the launch of the ADTC Collaborative webpage on the Healthcare Improvement Scotland website - www.healthcareimprovementscotland.org/our_work/technologies_and_medicines/adtc_collaborative.aspx

The webpage gives an overview of the work the ADTC Collaborative are involved in. With time the webpage will also act as a repository for the guidance and support materials that the ADTC Collaborative distribute to NHS boards.

NHS board new medicines decisions formulary template
Over the last few months NHS boards have been piloting the standard terminology used to describe local decisions and the proposed template for publishing these decisions. NHS boards are asked to provide their feedback on the implementation of the template to the ADTC Collaborative by 31 May. The collated comments will then be used to inform eventual formal guidance.

Declarations of interest
A draft policy template on open and transparent decision making in medicines governance for ADTCs to adapt in their own NHS boards will be distributed for comment in the next 1-2 weeks for comment.

HOLD THE DATE!

National ADTC conference
Theme- Evidence and Outcomes
Thursday 24 November, The Glasgow City Hotel, Glasgow. Agenda and further information will be distributed over the coming months.

Next ADTC chairs’ WebEx
The next WebEx for ADTC chairs, professional secretaries or their representatives is Tuesday 4 October 2016, 2-4pm. More details nearer the time.

Safer Use of Medicines WebEx
Dates of future bi-monthly WebEx meetings: (12 noon-1pm): 01 June, 03 August, 05 October and 07 December

All NHS staff interested in the safer use of medicines are welcome.

To join our mailing list for the bimonthly newsletters, national conference or safer use of medicines WebEx, please contact the ADTC Collaborative at hcis.adtc-collaborative@nhs.net

For more information please contact the Area Drug and Therapeutics Committee Collaborative at hcis.adtc-collaborative@nhs.net
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