Transvaginal Mesh Oversight Group (TVMO)
Flash Report: September- October 2018

Patient Resource Subgroup
The first meeting of the Patient Resource Subgroup (PRS) took place on 8 October. Sharon Mercado and Lorna McKee have agreed to co-chair the group. During the meeting the role of the group was established:

“To undertake active, systematic review of patient information that is publically available”

A methodology has been put in place to review the 39 patient information documents that have been identified by Healthcare Improvement Scotland's Knowledge Management Team.

The next meeting of the group will take place on Friday 16 November.

Highlights from the Fourth TVMO Group Meeting – 18 September 2018:

- The Chair and Director of Evidence met with Scottish Government and the CMO who expressed appreciation for the work being carried out by the group
- Work continues to be carried out on monitoring the provision of physiotherapy across Scotland:
  - A database of women’s experiences are being compiled
  - Clearer pathways of care for physiotherapy are being established
  - More reliable information will help to measure services with waiting times being considered as an indicator of variance in service
- The parliamentary debate held on 12 September which called for a halt in mesh procedures was discussed by the group
- The group will continue to oversee the data relating to mesh and non-mesh procedures
- It was agreed that work needed to be carried out to improve adverse events reporting
- Since the meeting in June the HIS Health Services Researcher have been carrying out literature searches for the clinical and safety aspects of Pelvic Organ Prolapse (POP) and Stress Urinary Incontinence (SUI). It was highlighted that there are challenges finding qualitative evidence.

Self-evaluation Tool
The self-evaluation tool is currently being piloted in two health boards, NHS Lothian and NHS Grampian. The results will be shared with the Oversight Group at the December meeting.

Data
Data from ISD will be presented at the main Oversight Group meeting in December. The data will be presented with a summary of findings.

Useful Information

Website
A page on the Healthcare Improvement Scotland website has been established for information including: the Terms of Reference, minutes of meetings, progress reports and declaration of interests.

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Next Meeting
Friday 14 December 2018