

**Summary of Pain Education SIG meeting  
Glasgow ASM 26<sup>th</sup> April 2007, Leven Suite 12:45-13:45**

1. Welcome and introductions

2. Proposal for election of officers and committee members for the SIG.

After brief discussion it was decided that it might be better to wait and have an email election once the wider group had been consulted. EC & DJ agreed to act as joint Chairs 2007-8. It was agreed that committee members should be as representative of the different professions as possible.

**ACTION please email Eloise interest, why and speciality.**

3. How best to achieve aims and objectives of the SIG

There was a brief review of the aims and objectives of the SIG followed by a brainstorming session to identify and prioritise the actions that would help to achieve the aims and objectives. Two or three volunteers were identified to lead for each topic area. Each topic group made individual arrangements about subsequent development of their respective topic.

**ACTION:** Feedback ½ page of A4 on the key area, identified actions to take forward (short, medium and long term). Deadline for summaries to Eloise by 18<sup>th</sup> May 2007. This would enable feedback of SIG activity to BPS Council meeting in June 2007.

Key working groups

1. Undergraduate Education (Joanna Maria Zakrzewska, Hubert van Griensven, Sanjeeva Gupta)

- Survey of content/pain teaching
- Introducing / rolling out the core curriculum
- Scoping of expertise within BPS/SIG
- Working group
- Approach students rather than Deans for curriculum content etc.
- FYI competency
- Understanding pain education pathways for different professionals

2. Patient/public education (Roger Laishley)

- Wales/Scotland Back Pain
- (Acknowledged to be a major undertaking)

3. Pain Education in Primary Care (Paul Wilkinson, Mike Chester, Ann Taylor)

- GP's and other primary care professionals
- Intermediate level pain clinic
- GP's with Special Interest
- PCTs/Purchasers/Commissioners

4. Website – developing resources (Marcia, David Laird, Ruth Day)
  - Educational methods / techniques
  - Pain management/clinical
  - Clinical questions/answers - Fora
  - Educational questions
  - Sharing resources and teaching aids
  - ASM Presentations – access to these from website
  
5. Education methods / techniques workshops (Tim Johnson/Kate Seers)
  - Future ASMs
  - Other times
  - 2008 Liverpool (EC/DJ have put request to meetings for 2 workshops 2008)
  
6. Funding for Education (Sian Jagger, Janet McGowen)
  - Study leave
  - Incorporating Trust agenda's e.g. 'Governance' currently
  
7. Training in communication skills (Pete Mackenzie +/- Alf Collins)
  - Scotland
  - DoH England
  
8. Postgraduate Post:CCT
  - Pain Education for doctors
  - (Acknowledged to be a very big and challenging topic!)
  - Leave for FPM for the time being
  
9. Understanding our own educational objectives/focus/ideas (Chris Main)
  - Examples of good practice where change in beliefs effected change in practice
  
10. Pain in developing countries (Sanjeeva Gupta and Eloise)
  - Link with IASP taskforce
  - Providing the tools and techniques for education in developing countries
  
11. Bigger “education” contribution to the ASM (See Tim?)
  - Workshops
  - Posters (education)
  - Training sessions
  - Printed material

#### 4. SIG Membership

All those who attended who had not completed application to SIG agreed to do this. Email was considered the best mode of communication and this process would ensure accurate database.

#### 5. Next meeting ASM Liverpool 2008