

**Minutes of the PHECC Clinical Care Committee held at the PHECC office
Naas on Tuesday 4th April 2006 at 14:30**

Present:

Sean Creamer
Pat Grant
Pat Hanafin
Philip Lane
Paul Robinson
Dave Sherwin

Apologies:

Mark Doyle
John Duggan
David Hall
Julie Woods

In attendance:

Jacqueline Egan,
Sharon Gallagher,
Geoff King,
Brian Power

1.0 Chair's Business

1.1 CPG-As 4 & 55

CPG-A 4 - Adult Anaphylaxis and CPG-A 55 Paediatric Anaphylaxis were tabled for approval by Clinical Care following recommendation from MAG. Changes, recommended by Dr Mags Bourke, were agreed at the March MAG meeting subject to her approval of same.

Resolution : That CPG-As 4 & 55 be approved.

Moved: Philip Lane
Carried without dissent

Seconded: Pat Grant

2. Resolution:

That the Minutes of the CCC, held at the PHECC Office, Naas on the 20th December 2005 be agreed.

Proposed: Pat Hanafin

Seconded: Philip Lane

Carried without dissent

3. CPD

Mr Philip Lane distributed a document titled "Update on analysis of current in-service training/CPD". The document will assist in guiding the development of CPD.

Mr Lane outlined that he will visit/collaborate with DFB for information analogous to DFB (i.e. training in hours/days) and take it back to the Clinical Care Committee as appropriate.

Mr Lane also distributed a document entitled "CRASHED – a new model for structured reflection in Pre-Hospital Care" for their review, which is based on a reflective practice model as used in the West.

4. National PCR/Services Gateway:

Ms Jacqueline Egan updated the group on the current status of the implementation of the paper patient care report and informed members of its implementation in five HSE Areas and DFB and the commencement of an ePCR pilot commencing shortly in HSE Dublin Mid-Leinster, formally HSE Midland area. The predominant focus of this pilot is connectivity between the tablet PC, the data centre and the transmission of the patient data to Emergency Depts in the form of a eTriage screen. Tullamore station will be the first to go live in the pilot with on-line patient data entry and transmission, with further stations going live weekly until all six stations are using the ePCR. A champion has been assigned from each station and Valentia Technology and PHECC will meet with the IT Dept in Tullamore and discuss the process going forward with wireless printing in the Emergency departments and the implementation of the eTriage screen.

In addition, Jacqueline Egan informed members that a scanning exercise is currently taking place in PHECC, whereby 6,000 de - identified PCRs will be scanned – 1,000 from each service -. The purpose of the exercise is to convert the data from the PCRs into a digital format and enter into a data base using a PHECC designed interface. The captured data will then be interrogated and analysed to produce reports for the services based on real information, and will assist in the development of the reporting functionality for future use by the services.

The issue of transfer of completed PCRs from stations to HQs was discussed. Jacqueline Egan said she would review the current process. A key issue was the inconsistencies in the 'time of call' nationally.

5. Director's Update

Update Spring 2006 was distributed in the meeting papers and outlined to members. The group were informed that currently 548 practitioners are signed up to register.

The extracts from the Report on the Sudden Cardiac Death Task force was distributed for information.

6. AOB

Mr Pat Hanafin outlined to members details of a trial that is currently underway in Dingle whereby patients are treated by GPs in the local health centre. This trial is based on close collaboration between the GPs and the ambulance service. Current figures show 36.6% of emergency ambulance calls were dealt with by the GPs and not the Emergency Depts.

Date of next CCC meeting September 5th.

Signed:

Date:

Mr. Seán Creamer
Chair

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1. Chair's Business and apologies:

In the absence of the Chair Mr Sean Creamer, Vice Chair, Mr John Duggan acted as Chair.

3. Minutes and matters arising

Resolution: That the Minutes of the CCC, held at the PHECC Office, Naas on the 4th April 2006 be agreed.

Moved: Pat Hanafin
Carried without dissent

Seconded: Paul Robinson

3. Continuing professional Development

3.1 Standards Update

The Director outlined that the final draft of the Education and Training Standard agreed by the Accreditation Committee will be available for September's Council meeting and will be forwarded to all Committees, Working Groups and both Training Institutions with a specific timeframe of four weeks for feedback. Collated feedback will be returned to Council for final ratification.

3.2 New medication/skills list EMT/paramedic

A document summarising the proposed new medication administration and skills as per revised PHECC Education and Training Standard 2007 was briefly discussed as per meeting papers.

3.3 Update on analysis of current in-service training CPD

The Director updated the group on CPD and reiterated that the development of CPD will rest with the Clinical Care Committee.

4. National PCR/Services Gateway:

4.1 Status update document

Ms Jacqueline Egan updated the group on the current status of the implementation of the paper patient care report and informed members that the ePCR pilot will be completed this weekend in the HSE Dublin Mid-Leinster, formally HSE Midland area. The predominant focus of the pilot was connectivity between the tablet PC, the data centre and the transmission of the patient data to Emergency Depts in the form of a eTriage screen. The pilot was extremely productive, highlighting some key issues. Some of the CCC members expressed their interest in feedback from the A&E staff re the ePCR format etc.

Ms Egan briefed the group on the Data Protection Commissioner's response to PHECC regarding the scanning of the PCR and retention of the hard copy.

4.2 Completed PCR Cycle

Ms Egan briefed the group on the above document as circulated in the Meeting papers for their information.

5. Director's Update

The Director updated the group on the Education and Training Standard, the 3rd Edition of the CPGs across six levels which is in development and the PHECC Register. He also informed members that the PHECC Strategic Planning workshop was held in April and the 2006-2009 plan is soon to be finalised by Council.

6. AOB

Following discussion, approval was sought for CPG – P1 Paramedic - Advanced Airway Management (LMA airway insertion) as tabled.

Resolution: That CPG-P1 Paramedic Advanced Airway Management be approved.

Moved: Pat Hanafin

Seconded: Philip Lane

Carried without dissent

It was also agreed that CPGs would become a standard agenda item on the CCC Agendas from herein.

Discussion ensued relating to driving and the weight of new ambulance vehicles, it was noted that there will be compulsory Driver Instructor training from 2007 onwards which will have positive effects on ambulance driver training.

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Signed:

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Mr. John Duggan
Chair
