

Meeting of the *London Cancer AOS ERG*

Date: **May 16th 2017, 15:00-16:30**

Venue: 6th floor east, 250 Euston Road, London, NW1 2PG

Chair: **Roopinder Gillmore**

1. Welcome, Apologies and minutes of last meeting

RG welcomed members of the group, introductions were made and apologies heard. The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as an accurate record of proceedings.

Matters arising

Royal Free are hosting an event in partnership with UKONS on triaging for IO. This flyer was circulated and there are still some spaces. Contact emilykeen@nhs.net if interested.

Information from Hanny Anwar:

SINS score Validation:

1. Spinal instability neoplastic score: an analysis of reliability and validity from the spine oncology study group. Fisher et al. Journal of Clinical Oncology. 29(22):2072-7, 2011 Aug 01
2. Spine instability Neoplastic Score: agreement across different medical and surgical specialities. Arana et al. Spine Journal. 16(5):591-9, 2016 05.

And a paper demonstrating that it corresponds to treatment:

1. The Effect of introducing the spinal instability Neoplastic Score in Routine Clinical Practice for patients with Spinal Metastases. Versteeg et al. Oncologist. 21(1):95-101, 2016 Jan.

2. MSCC rehabilitation

a) Barts Health Pilot – Lindsay Farthing

LF described the Macmillan funded two year pilot which creates a virtual inpatient ward for patients with complex neurological conditions including MSCC. Patients receive high intensity neuro-rehabilitation. There is a focus on evaluation as there is a need to evidence reduced length of stay and improved patient outcomes in order to continue funding beyond the life of the pilot.

There is a five patient caseload. Patients are assessed to ensure that those who would receive maximum benefit from this kind of support are included.

The pilot is currently restricted to Barts Health patients but there may be a phase two to look at community provision. Staff are due to start on the 12th June and the 3rd July 2017.

SC commented that this model will be looked at to understand how provision of this type could work for the whole system.

MD highlighted that Stanmore organises study days and that one on the 26th May includes MSCC rehabilitation. Mary.Licup@rnoh.nhs.uk is the contact to enquire about future study days.

b) MSCC Specialist Spinal Rehabilitation - Who will fund this? – Manish Desai

MD described the world class service currently offered at Stanmore for MSCC patients who meet specified criteria: spinal stable, not having regular CT/RT, medically stable, confirmed discharge destination, can be independent in 6-8 weeks.

If patients are not admitted they can also be seen as an outpatient or through outreach.

This service is currently not commissioned due to long waits for trauma patients, however MD felt that these patients would not be affected. There is a risk that this service would no longer be provided.

SC stated that a review of rehabilitation had been taken to the pan-London Cancer Commissioning Board which included MSCC. We are currently waiting for a response. SC recommended that MD link in with Karen Robb at TCST to include this element in a pan-London approach.

It was suggested that outcomes from this service should be presented at a future meeting.

ACTION – SC to link MD with Karen Robb.

3. MSCC audit

- The group felt that there should be some further changes to the audit:
 - a. Drop down options to be included where possible
 - b. Mobility and other outcomes needed pre and post treatment
 - c. Performance status to be excluded
- It was agreed that the proforma should be revised and sent for final comment with a two week window for further comments.
- It was agreed that Trusts should collect data from 1st June to the end of August and can alter the template or leave fields blank if it not possible to collect the data. Data to be presented by Trusts at the next meeting in September.

ACTION – Comments on MSCC audit spreadsheet to be sent to HS by 30th May.

Trusts to collect MSCC data from 1st June – end of August 2017

Trusts to present MSCC data at September meeting

4. Antibiotic policies for neutropenic sepsis

- SO presented Trust policies. The presentation will be circulated with minutes.
- There was a discussion regarding the variation in policies.

5. AOB

- None

6. Next Meeting

Tuesday 26th September 2017, 16:00-18:00, 250 Euston Road 6th Floor (East) Meeting Room.

ACTION LOG

Action reference	Action	Owner	Date due	Status
Nov -02	Trusts to carry out an audit of surgical decision making with regards to AOS patients	Trusts	March 17	Delayed – to be presented in September 17
Mar-01	An electronic version of AOS guidelines to be circulated by the May board. Item to be re-added to May agenda.	UKONS Working Group	May 17	Deferred - National guidelines not yet complete
Mar-03	HS to add outstanding Trusts to AOS services list and re-circulate <i>Update: Trusts asked to send in SOP and summary of service. Delayed as not all information received.</i>	Trusts/HS	May 17	Delayed – to be presented in Sept 17
May -01	SC to link MD with Karen Robb	SC	Sept 17	
May-02	Comments on MSCC audit spreadsheet to be sent to HS by 30th May.	All	30 th May 17	
May-03	Trusts to collect MSCC data from 1st June – end of August 2017	Trusts	Sept 17	
May-04	Trusts to present MSCC data at September meeting	Trusts	Sept 17	

Attendees

Name	Trust/Organisation
Roopinder Gilmore	Royal Free
Helen Saunders	<i>London Cancer</i>
Lindsay Farthing	Barts
Stephanie O’Neill	UCLH
Bobbie Fordham	RFH
Monica Castro	North Middlesex
Sharon Cavanagh	<i>London Cancer</i>
David Feuer	Homerton
Elliot Sims	BHRUT
Emily Keen	RFH
Elizabeth Frankson	BHRUT
Kate Earwicker	Barts Health
Monica Castro	NMUH
Manish Desai	RNOH
Sherrice Weekes	<i>London Cancer</i>
Sarah Tucker	UCLH

Apologies

Name	Trust/Organisation
Katia Boleti	RFH
Kai-Keen Shiu	<i>UCLH</i>

Name	Trust/Organisation
Pauline Leonard	Whittington
Tony Ndlovu	North Middlesex
Nicola Rosenfelder	Royal Free
Cally Bruce	PAH
Emily Wang	Homerton
Katie Peduto	PAH
Dr Papadatos-Pastos	PAH