

**MEETING ON THE PROMOTION OF SAFE AND EFFECTIVE CARE  
DEVELOPMENT OF UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULA  
WEDNESDAY 7 JUNE 2006  
1000 - 1200  
D2 LECTURE THEATRE, CASTLE BUILDINGS, STORMONT**

**PRESENT**

**DEPT**

Dr Paul Collier	Dr Elizabeth Mitchell (Chairman)
Dr Noeleen Devaney	Mr Martin Bradley
Mr Billy Kelly	Dr Maura Briscoe
Prof Geraldine Macdonald	Dr Norman Morrow
Prof Mary McColgan	Ms Christine Smyth
Prof James McElnay	Mr J Wright (Secretariat)
Ms Anne O'Brien	
Prof Jean Orr	
Prof Morris Savage	

**1. WELCOME / APOLOGIES**

The Chairman welcomed all members to the meeting.

Apologies were received from Prof C Hughes, Prof P McClure, Prof H McKenna and Prof A Moran.

**2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

Members agreed the minutes.

**3. RESPONSES FROM UNIVERSITIES ON THE TEACHING OF CLINICAL AND SOCIAL CARE GOVERNANCE IN UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULA**

Members reported on the responses from the Universities. Numeracy and literacy standards were highlighted; communication, teamworking and inter-professionalism were emphasised. The Group voiced a concern that students were now less a part of the clinical team. It was noted that joint responsibility and ownership for training was shared between the Universities and the HPSS, including the ongoing education of practitioners. In such circumstances, partnerships should be strengthened between them. Members suggested that SUMDE funding should be audited to ensure it reaches education in its entirety. Concerns were raised that some Trusts were not building "education" into new consultants' contracts.

The Chair thanked the Universities for their responses which she said would be useful for scoping key "quality" issues.

**ACTION POINT** SUMDE funding to be an agenda item for November meeting

#### 4. LEARNING FROM ADVERSE INCIDENTS

The Chair stated that she wanted to share some adverse incidents from the HPSS. Dr Briscoe and Mr Bradley summarised the Reports (Murtagh, Breast screening and McCleery) and Ms Smyth commented on Child Protection Services across NI. Members agreed that there was too much reliance on technology and not enough basic practice and reading of clinical signs, for example, respiratory rates. Recognition of deterioration of clinical signs should be emphasised in undergraduate curricula. The importance of resuscitation skills was also highlighted.

#### 5. IDENTIFICATION OF GAPS

It was noted that the education sector should be more responsive to emerging issues in the service and it was suggested that a central sharing centre should be set up to facilitate the dissemination of information across the healthcare sector. Members recognised that learning from past experience needs to filter down to those on the front line. The need for a feedback loop was recognised.

#### 6. PATHWAY FORWARD

Members suggested that it would be useful for Universities to have information before teaching starts, instead of trying to catch up later. The importance of interfaces was recognised. Members agreed that Dr Briscoe should convene a small drafting sub-group to create a framework and action plan for clinical and social care governance, to be generic and applicable to all, and report back to the group in November 2006. There should be a focus on the practical elements of safe and effective care.

Please see Appendix for Membership of Drafting Sub-group.

**ACTION POINT** Dr Briscoe to convene a drafting sub-group to create a framework and action plan for clinical and social care governance

**ACTION POINT** Members to provide nominees for the drafting sub-group

#### 7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

#### 8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

**ACTION POINT** Secretariat to arrange a meeting date for November 2006

There being no other business the Chairman thanked members for their participation and closed the meeting.

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ACTION POINTS**

ITEM	ACTION	LEAD
<b>3 Responses from Universities on the Teaching of CSCG in Undergraduate Curricula</b>	<b>SUMDE funding to be an agenda item for November meeting</b>	<b>Secretariat</b>
<b>6 Pathway Forward</b>	<b>Dr Briscoe to convene a drafting sub-group to create a framework and action plan for clinical and social care governance</b>	<b>Dr Briscoe</b>
<b>6 Pathway Forward</b>	<b>Members to provide nominees for the drafting sub-group</b>	<b>Prof Jean Orr Prof Morris Savage Prof James McElnay Prof Patricia McCure</b>
<b>8 Date of Next Meeting</b>	<b>Secretariat to arrange a meeting date for November 2006</b>	<b>Secretariat</b>

**Appendix A                  Membership of Drafting Sub-group**

Dr Briscoe – Lead  
 Dr Noeleen Devaney – Medical Director  
 Prof Carmel Hughes – Pharmacy  
 Anne O'Brien – CSCGST  
 Christine Smyth – SSI  
 Mary McColgan – Social Sciences

Jean Orr - Nursing & Midwifery to provide 2 nominees  
 Morris Savage - to provide nominee  
 James McElnay - to provide nominee  
 Billy Kelly to talk to Patricia McClure – to provide AHP nominee