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**Nuclear Medicine & Molecular Imaging Advisory Group (NMMAG)**

**Meeting Summary**

**Date:** Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2021

**Time:** 11.00am – 13.00pm

**Venue:**

GoToMeeting

**In Attendance:**

<b>Members: (state names with initials in brackets)</b>	<b>Role</b>	<b>Job Title</b>	<b>Site</b>
Angela Meadows (AM)	Chair	Radiographer/Unit Manager	Royal Preston Hospital
Jo Weekes (JW)	Vice Chair	Consultant Radiographer	New Cross Hospital
David Jones (DJ)	Advisory	Principal Radiographer	RCUHB, Wales
Sarah Stace (SS)	Advisory	Superintendent Radiographer	Withybush General Hospital
John Thompson (JT)	Advisory	Radiographer	Furness General Hospital
David Williams (DW)	Advisory	Superintendent Radiographer	Queen Alexandra Hospital
<b>In attendance:</b>			
Sue Johnson (SJ)	Professional Officer		SCoR
Valerie Asemah (VA)	Minutes		SCoR

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<b>Observers:</b>			
Nick Gulliver (NG)	BNMS Liaison		BNMS
Frances Hogg (FH)	IPEM Liaison		IPEM
Clare Moody (CM)	ARSAC Liaison		ARSAC

**Apologies:**

Rayjanah Allie (JA)	Advisory	Radiographer	University College Hospital
Tristan Barnden (TB)	Advisory	Radiographer	Maidstone Hospital
Sai Han (SH)	Royal College of Physicians – Advisory	Nuclear Medicine Physician	Gartnavel General Hospital
John Thompson (JT)	Advisory	Radiographer	Furness General Hospital
Vas Nevrides (VN)	UK Council	UK Council	Kings College Hospital

**1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

- 1.1 The Chair warmly welcomed everyone to this virtual meeting and thanked them for attending. Introductions were made. Today's meeting will be rather informal and a catch-up session.
- 1.2 Apologies for absence were received from Rayjanah Allie, Tristan Barnden, Sai Han, John Thompson and Vas Nevrides.

**2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING AND ACTION POINTS**

- 2.1 The minutes from the meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> November 2020, will be signed off at the next meeting (16<sup>th</sup> March 2021). Actions from the previous meeting reviewed to ensure we are on track.



### Outstanding Actions:

Item No.	Description	Owner	Due Date	Status
8.1	Radioisotopes Round Table (Brexit): Following an update by SJ it was agreed that she will chase promised updates from round table meeting attended with AM. SJ to invite contact (get name) to attend the net NMMAG meeting to give a further update.	SJ	12/02/21	Completed
9.	Training & Resilience for NM Technologist: Following an update from RA on recruiting for more advanced practitioners in nuclear medicine it was agreed that a small sub-group be set up to write a paper on How the lack of registration affect their role.	RA, TB & NG	12/02/21	Awaiting update next meeting
12.	Web Pages Review & Discussion Information migration to new platform): SJ informed the group that there will be soft launch of the new website by the end of the year, followed by the big official launch in the New Year. Group encouraged to keep on sending any information they have.	All	12/02/21	Ongoing
14.1	Any Other Business: SJ to ask CB if a member from the EFRS nuclear medicine forum could sit on this group as an observer.	SJ	12/02/21	Ongoing
14.2	RA informed the group that she will share the paper she has written on PET and SPEC/CT before it goes to publication.	RA	12/02/21	Ongoing
14.3	DJ will share information sheets on BNMS and IPEM with the group by sending links to VA to upload to synapse.	DJ & VA	12/02/21	Completed

### 3. SCoR officer update:

The P&E team remain busy with some non-Covid related work getting back on track.

#### 3.1 Support workforce update:

HEE project continues with a date in May to produce the outcomes of a revised education/career framework linked to roles and responsibilities.

There will be a further virtual workshop and questionnaires before the work completes. SJ invited the group to volunteer to join the expert group to represent the nuclear medicine support workforce. Anyone who is interested and wants to volunteer should please contact SJ after the meeting. AM indicated that she would be pleased to be involved. Others will let SJ know if they would like to be part of this expert group by the next meeting.

**ACTION:**            **GROUP**

3.2      General workforce update/work: To note that there is a range of work ongoing. Radiology network is rolling out with services identified to work together. These are linked to the integrated care systems in some cases. Regional radiographers (and radiologists) have been appointed to aid co-ordination of networks and develop regional radiology plans. Group need to be aware of which network they will be in. There is a focus on community diagnostic hubs to remove elective diagnostic work from acute sites. No mention as yet of nuclear medicine moving to the hubs.

**ACTION:**            **GROUP**

3.3      Website update: To note that the website will be going live soon.

#### **4. CHAIRS UPDATE**

4.1      The Chair informed the group that she is compiling the annual report and the Chairs report which she will share at the next meeting. There has been more of an advisory focus over the past year, due to Covid and this will be reflected in the report.

4.2      The Chair is part of a Quality Standards Improvement Working Group focussed on Nuclear Medicine and she has so far attended one meeting. The group is looking at nuclear medicine and molecular imaging standards. She will share more information at the next meeting or sooner if available. The first draft of the report will be going out for consultation in June.

4.3      Chair will update group on upcoming events which she will share after the meeting and put on our pages.

4.3      Those members whose tenure ends this year were reminded. People on second term can apply after a 2 year break. As nuclear medicine do not have a large amount of applicants SJ will speak with the Director of Professional Policy in case those coming off wishes to stay on again. SJ explained the process to the group. NG mentioned that we may get quite a few Portuguese members applying.

4.4 The Chair further asked for nominations for Chair and Vice Chair and to come back to her at the next meeting.

**ACTION: CHAIR & GROUP**

## **5. MEMBERS UPDATE**

Chair asked the group for updates:

5.1 FH (IPEM) had nothing to report, but will update at the next meeting.

5.2 CM (ARSAC) had nothing to report, but hope to do so at the next meeting.

5.3 JT has been working on CT competences with IPEM which is hybrid focused. Will share with SoR when it is completed. JT was invited to join this group by Mark McDade as part of a task and finish group to write a new curriculum for nuclear medicine technologists. To note there are national occupational standards for CT.

5.4 NG (BNMS) raised the issue of statutory registration for Technologist. John Buscombe and Chris Mayes wrote to Jeremy Hunt and received a reply, which is available on the BNMS website. This indicates there is not current capacity to complete this work, however, there is reference to a larger piece of work which is ongoing within the NHS. NG also update the group on the BNMS meeting – the spring meeting will be virtual and spread over two days. It will be a poster submission only and the closing date is 22<sup>nd</sup> February. The autumn meeting is still planned to go ahead in Belfast. Hub registrations can be found on the BNMS website also.

5.6 Jo updated the group on the European Federation of Radiography Societies (EFRS) Nuclear medicine webinar series which is starting next month. Jo will upload a flyer onto Synapse.

***ACTION: JW***

## 6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

6.1 It was agreed that Eleanor Perkins will be invited to the June / Nov NMMAG meeting, further to the radioisotopes round table update.

**ACTION: AM**

## 7. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

7.1 The dates and times of future meetings:

- Rescheduled Tuesday April 27<sup>th</sup> – 11.00-13:00
- **Interim – Thurs June 17<sup>th</sup> 2021 – 11.00-13.00 TBC**
- Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> Nov 2021 – 11.00-13.00
- Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2022

### Meeting Actions Log

#### Actions

Item No.	Description	Owner	Due Date	Status
3.1	Support Workforce Update: SoR incredibly busy with workforce issues and working with HEE around the support workforce with a very tight timescale. Job description needs to be developed.			
	SJ is involved with an expert nuclear medicine technologist group which is made up of a range of people from across the service and she wanted to know if anyone from this group would like	All		



	to join. If so they should contact her after the meeting. AM indicated that she would be happy to be involved.			
4.1	Chair Update: The Chair informed the group that she will draft the annual report and Chairs report and bring to the next meeting.	AM		
4.2	Chair will upload info of new events onto synapse.	AM		
4.3	Re tenures - SJ will liaise with Charlotte Beardmore to find out if those members at the end of tenure, can be asked to stay on for a further term if there are insufficient new applicants.	SJ		
4.4	The Chair asked for nominations for the position of Chair and Vice Chair.	All		
5.6	JW informed the group o the European Federation webinar nuclear medicine series which is starting next month. She will upload flyers to synapse.	JW		
6.1	AM to invite Eleanor Perkins to the June or November meeting.	AM		

#### Conferences & Events Dates for the diary:

**NNMI June 11 – 15, 2021 : SNMMI 2021 Virtual Annual Meeting**

<https://www.snmmi.org/MeetingsEvents/eventList.aspx>

**ICNMR 2021: 15<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Nuclear Medicine and Radiotherapy June 28-29, 2021**

London, United Kingdom

<https://waset.org/nuclear-medicine-and-radiotherapy-conference-in-june-2021-in-london>

**BNMS Annual Meeting 2021. 27 - 29 September 2021.**

ICC, Belfast

**EANM 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Congress of the European Association of Nuclear Medicine**

October 20 – 23, 2021

February 15, 2021	Abstract Submission Start
April 25, 2021	Abstract Submission Deadline
June 29, 2021	Notification of Abstract Acceptance
October 20-23, 2021	EANM'21 Congress

<https://www.eanm.org/congresses-events/future-congress/>

**BNMS Spring 2022 Meeting. 16th - 18th May 2022.**

SEC Glasgow