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Medical Education Report to NODC

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Summary

Courses have returned to face to face but have still faced threats to disruption.

Development continues in CLOD induction emphasising leadership. Innovations and research elements are now included along with some hospital development and shared practice.

The Deceased Donation Course now accommodates legislative changes and improved communication aspects. In 2 centres, one North and one South, paediatric colleagues can experience a more bespoke course with the addition of a DBD paediatric patient scenario. This work will be completed this year with the addition of the DCD scenario, allowing these changes to embed more fully.

Chair Induction will now be offered twice a year with a Spring face-to-face delivery and online delivery in the Autumn. To supplement the on-line content an on-line national shared practice once a quarter will offer an opportunity for all chairs.

The National Deceased Donation Course (NDDC)

(Usual expected delivery 6 per year, each course of 18 delegates)

Tender appointed centres: Belfast, Cardiff, London, Newcastle, Nottingham, Salford, Stirling.

- This course has successfully been recommenced now but owing to COVID pandemic surges has not yet fully been re-established without some disruptions. These either threaten or completely disrupt some courses making delivery more challenging to achieve safely with the full complement of support at the point of delivery.
- Risk assessments, safety measures and detailed collaborative work with each centre enabled those delivered and no COVID transmissions have been evident.
- Newcastle and London are the 2 centres identified to provide a more bespoke experience for paediatric delegates. A DBD scenario of a 9month old baby has been developed and arrangements are now set to flexibly allow up to half of the course to be populated with paediatric trainees, if required. Content will continue to be monitored. Paediatric faculty support is gaining strength in number and commitment

spear headed by Dr Omer Aziz. A DCD scenario is in development and will follow, as will analysis from the feedback.

- Plans are to strengthen the connection of all faculty with the course as rebuilding continues. Particular attention being paid to consistency of debriefing and how legislative differences are managed within the course, with some online sessions.
- The communications stations have been updated to reflect legislation changes, dealing with pre-mentions and safe parking, more detailed planning, as well as skills in bringing family to an equality of understanding to ensure safe end of life planning.
- Initial Belfast course was received well, was very well supported by faculty and the regional specialist nurse team, proving over all to be very successful.
- A new waiting list, arising from the need to offer priority places for those who had course places disrupted, is working well for those approaching for a place but not yet able to accept one nearby. The backlog of waiting delegates is diminishing. TRODs are able to be identified and also be offered a priority place.
- Dates for 2022/23 are:

| Salford | March 1 st & 2 nd |
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| Cardiff | April 6 th & 7 th |
| Newcastle | May 18 th & 19 th |
| Belfast | June 28 th & 29 th |
| London | 29 th & 30 th |

2023/24 are being planned now to enable longer term planning once again.

CLOD Inductions: 2 per year.

- New, since a return to face to face delivery, is using NHSBT buildings for the course centres. It is hoped that this connects CLODs with NHSBT to a greater degree.
- Course content continues to develop the leadership aspect and emphasis on the context of embedded hospital work.
- New sessions include innovations and research, the paediatric workstreams and the role of CLUs. A shared practice workshop enables some innovation planning of their own and the communication session has been updated to further emphasise the collaborative work with the specialist nurse in approaches and the value they bring to family conversations.
- To support changes in response to governance data on coroner/ PF issues, awareness of working with coroners/PFs will now be included in this and all courses.

Chair Induction: 2 per year

- Face to face induction is returning.
- The newly planned autumn on-line session unfortunately had to be cancelled but will be offered later this year.
- A review of the chair handbook with a working group is work in progress and will inform a content review of both the face to face and on-line delivery.
- The content of the on-line delivery will focus on the key essential elements for their role with additional content being accessed by a new quarterly on-line shared practice to which all chairs will be able to join, thereby ensuring new chairs experiencing the on-line version don't lose content or networking opportunities and all chairs have an opportunity to update and connect more widely.

Paediatrics: Links with the paediatric education workstream continues, strengthened by a return of face to face 'Child and Infant Deceased Donation Leaders course (CIDD)' delivery, Dr Omer Aziz working closely as we jointly ensure the paediatric education workstream is delivered.

TRODs Now appointed in most regions, TRODs joined a national welcome meeting (January 24th). They are connected with a what's app group and will each be able to join NODC/ PNODC with the opportunity of an open seat place over the year to appreciate the wider context of donation work. Whilst very much a regional role they have been updated with opportunities to link together and also join national work projects as able/suitable.

Website and e-learning: This work will be returned to and a schedule of planned work made.

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