

Present:

Mr I Hammond	Bradford Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
Dr L Newton	
Ms P Daynes	Calderdale and Huddersfield NHS Foundation Trust
Mr A Alldred	Harrogate and District NHS Foundation Trust
Mrs C Hedges	
Ms S McGonigle	Leeds PCT
Mr P Deady	Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust
Dr D Gilson	
Mr P Howard	
Dr D Jackson (Chair)	
Ms K Kozłowska	
Ms K Norton	Mid Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust
Mr J Hancock	North Yorkshire and York PCT
Prof C Twelves	University Of Leeds
Mr P Melling	Yorkshire Cancer Network
Mr D Thomson	

1. Apologies

Dr M Crawford, Dr D Dodwell, Dr G Haslam, Professor L Kay, Dr S Picton, Professor P Taylor, Mr B Tinkler

3.1. Taxanes in Adjuvant breast cancer			
Log No	Action	Lead(s)	Deadline
19	Dr Dodwell to provide an update on the NICE position and the options available for circulation to the group.	D Dodwell	26/04/2007
3.2. Chemotherapy prescribing			
Log No	Action	Lead(s)	Deadline
20	The Royal College of Physicians have produced a new curriculum for medical oncology trainees that defines levels of competency for prescribing chemotherapy. The oncology training committee is looking at this from a training perspective and Dr Gilson will provide feedback on their progress at the next meeting.	D Gilson	Review 26/04/2007
3.3. Herceptin Homecare			
Log No	Action	Lead(s)	Deadline
21	Members present supported taking forward work on Herceptin Homecare but with careful consideration on the nursing input, full costings and mapping of the pathway. It was proposed they could share the specification for community based chemotherapy with the companies when in its final draft. To circulate the presentation by Mr P Deady on Trastuzumab homecare service: indicative tender summary (please note the prices are confidential and must not be shared outside of the NHS).	L Carroll	28/02/2007
22	To meet with Mr Deady and the relevant Breast Clinicians to discuss what the pathway may be and the potential costs within this pathway.	D Thomson	Review 26/04/2007

4. Feedback from local chemotherapy groups			
Log No	Action	Lead(s)	Deadline
24	<p>A lead responsible for providing feedback to their locality on the work undertaken by the Network group, organising consultations within their organisation and completing the chemotherapy service update proforma prior to each meeting has been identified for each Trust (with exception to Leeds).</p> <p>Leeds to confirm who their nominated representative is.</p>	P Howard	28/02/2007
25	To circulate the proforma two weeks after the meeting form completion and return two weeks prior to the next meeting (return 12th April 2007).	Nominated Lead and D Thomson	12/04/2007
26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Airedale - No representation present • Bradford - To submit electronic form highlighting the new agents that are to be used • Calderdale & Huddersfield - Dr U Hofmann, Consultant Oncologist has recently been appointed. • Mid Yorkshire - Dr John Ashcroft, Consultant Haematologist will attend future meetings. Miss Carroll add John Ashcroft to the membership. Ms Norton email P Howard details regarding identifying patients/mechanism for getting funding back for dispensing in the community. • Harrogate - The swap with the York and Harrogate Chemotherapy Nurse worked well. Improvements on the scheduler have been made. • York - No representative • Leeds - a drugs update was provided. The Pharmacy manufacturing unit is looking to produce chemo therapy for a wider area on a dose banding approach. <p>David Thomson to send Kate Norton the papers Dr Bowen produced on the use of iron chelation therapy in adults with transfusional iron overload.</p>	Lead Representative	Review 26/04/2007
5. Progress for New Drugs			
Log No	Action	Lead(s)	Deadline
27	To circulate the discussion paper - Approval and Commissioning of Cancer Chemotherapy and Related Drugs to the YCN Chemotherapy Group and YCN Commissioning Group for comments.	L Carroll	22/02/2007
28	<p>To discuss the draft paper - Approved and Commissioning of Cancer Chemotherapy and Related Drugs at the YCN Commissioning meeting taking place on 5th March 2007.</p> <p>Ms McGonigle, Dr Jackson and Mr Alldred to lead on the consultation process for this paper prior to wider circulation.</p>	B Tinkler & D Thomson	05/03/2007

6. YCN Guidelines			
Log No	Action	Lead(s)	Deadline
29	<p>The draft guidelines for the safe management of cytotoxic drugs, spillage, contaminated waste and equipment and the draft guidelines for the management of chemotherapy induced constipation have been circulated to the YCN Chemotherapy Development Group for comments back by 12th March 2007.</p> <p>The guidelines for the prevention and management of chemotherapy extravasation in children and young people receiving cancer treatment and the draft Nursing Chemotherapy Administration Guidelines will be circulated to nominated leads for consultation for final approval by the group at the next meeting.</p>	L Carroll and Nominated Leads	Review 26/04/2007
7. Capacity Planning			
Log No	Action	Lead(s)	Deadline
30	<p>It is hoped the Harrogate scheduling tool can be shared across the Network however discussions are still taking place at Harrogate regarding protecting the intellectual property rights of this development. Leeds may be interested in a development opportunity to pilot this system.</p> <p>Mr A Allred to arrange a meeting with Dr Di Gilson and other relevant colleagues to discuss this further.</p>	A Allred	Review 26/04/2007
8. Computerised Prescribing - update			
Log No	Action	Lead(s)	Deadline
31	<p>The model agreed for computerised prescribing is PPM. The Network Lead Team are in the process of rolling PPM out across the Network. This shared information on patients could be fed into local e-prescribing solutions. It is currently the responsibility of the localities to fund their own solutions.</p> <p>Mr Thomson is awaiting a response from the SHA on how they would like to take e-prescribing forward and will feedback at the next meeting</p>	D Thomson	Review 26/04/2007
9. Horizon scanning - update			
Log No	Action	Lead(s)	Deadline
32	To add a disclaimer to the bottom of the Horizon scanning paper and to add data for gynae, thyroid and sarcoma.	D Thomson and P Melling	Review 26/04/2007
34	Mr P Howard to circulate the LTHT paper (when approved) highlighting the anticipated priority of drugs.	P Howard	Review 24/04/2007
10. Community based chemotherapy			
Log No	Action	Lead(s)	Deadline
23	Mr Thomson has produced a draft specification based on the Manual of Cancer Standards. Work will be taken forward by the Chemotherapy sub-group. To circulate a covering letter with the draft specification and to establish the community based chemotherapy sub-group and feedback at the next meeting.	D Thomson	Review 26/04/2007

11. Chemotherapy HRG's			
Log No	Action	Lead(s)	Deadline
35	Await receipt of the national guidance which will help provide clarification on the clinical trials, unlicensed therapies and how the tariff will be calculated.	D Thomson	Review 24/02/2007
12. Any Other Business			
Log No	Action	Lead(s)	Deadline
36	Mr Thomson to produce a paper to help facilitate discussions on centralising the approach to clinical trials by pharmacy departments.	D Thomson	Review 24/04/2007

Date of Next Meeting(s)

Thursday 26th April 2007 2:30 pm
YCRN Conference Room 1, Ida Nurses Home, Cookridge Hospital

Thursday 14th June 2007 2:30 pm
YCRN Conference Room 1, Ida Nurses Home, Cookridge Hospital

Wednesday 15th August 2007 2:30 pm
YCRN Conference Room 1, Ida Nurses Home, Cookridge Hospital

Tuesday 16th October 2007 2:30 pm
YCRN Conference Room 1, Ida Nurses Home, Cookridge Hospital

Thursday 6th December 2007 2:30 pm
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