

**Present:**

Dr A Chaturvedi	Hull and East Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust
Ms J Dent	
Ms S Edwards	
Professor M Lind	
Ms J Taylor-Clark	Humber and Yorkshire Coast Cancer Network
Dr S Edward	Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust
Ms V Frost	
Ms L Hopcroft	
Mr K Horgan	
Dr W Merchant	
Mr H Peach	
Dr P Robinson (Chair)	
Dr D Stark	
Dr A Edwards	Wheatfields Hospice
Dr D King	York Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
Mr S Duffy	Yorkshire Cancer Network
Mrs C Ferguson	
Ms C Sheard	
Mr B Tinkler	
Ms N Thornton	Yorkshire Cancer Research Network

**1. Apologies**

Dr S Ankarath, Dr N Beaumont, Ms E Brown, Mr P Drew, Mr D Fox, Mr J Hartley, Dr I Lewis, Dr A MacDonald, Dr M Marples, Professor J Monson, Dr A Platt, Mr D Russell, Mrs H Ryan, Dr P Stanley, Ms F Stephenson, Dr R Stuart, Dr D Taylor, Dr R Turner, Ms C Woollerton

**2. Submissions to Yorkshire & Humber SHA Specialist Commissioning Group & National Cancer Action Team**

Log No	Action	Lead(s)	Deadline
1	<p>This is being co-ordinated on behalf of the SHA through the Commissioning Group for submission to the Cancer Action Team (CAT).</p> <p>Prof Lind spoke to the group on the submissions made to the CAT. Unfortunately the draft papers entitled 'Interim Plan for Soft Tissue Sarcoma Management in HYCCN' and 'Current Soft Tissue Sarcoma Management in HYCCN' for this submission were not circulated with the agenda.</p> <p>Ms Sheard to circulate papers with Action Log.</p>	C Sheard	July 2007
2	<p>Prof Lind updated the group on sarcoma services available at the Yorkshire and Humber &amp; Yorkshire Coast Cancer Networks. Mr Duffy informed Prof Lind that figures sent to the CAT show that there are on average 117 new cases a year. A group discussion followed on the figures and types of sarcoma reported to the CAT and it was agreed that these figures need to be clarified.</p> <p>Mr Duffy and Mr Tinkler are to meet with Ms Edwards, Specialist Services Commission, to get clarity on this issue.</p> <p>Ms Taylor-Clark and Mr Tinkler to meet to agree common data accuracy.</p>	S Duffy/B Tinkler	August 2007

<b>3. Terms of Reference for a joint YCN &amp; H &amp; YCCN Group</b>			
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3	<p>The Terms of Reference (ToR) will be joint between the YCN and HYCCN. It was agreed that the Patient Pathway should be part of the ToR to ensure the standard of care for patients.</p> <p>The incidence of bone sarcoma being diagnosed was discussed and the group were informed that at present there were no diagnostic, referral and clinical guidelines for bone sarcoma. As discussed at the previous meeting referral and treatment for bone sarcoma are being dealt with through the Royal Orthopaedic Hospital, Birmingham.</p> <p>Clarification is required from Birmingham about who is responsible for the guidelines and Dr Stark will take this issue forward.</p> <p>A discussion took place on whether the role of the group should include overview of bone sarcoma as well as soft tissue sarcoma pathways.</p> <p>Members also discussed access to palliative care, this topic will be raised again.</p>	D Stark	August 2007
<b>4. Draft Imaging Guidelines for Soft Tissue Sarcoma</b>			
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4	<p>Dr Horgan gave a brief presentation on the 2006 IOG for sarcoma. Dr Robinson then went on to present the draft Imaging Diagnostic Pathway for Sarcoma.</p> <p>Dr Robinson and Mrs Ferguson to work on diagnostic pathway.</p>	P Robinson and C Ferguson	
5	Ms Sheard to circulate the draft Imaging Guidelines with the Action Log.	C Sheard	July 2007
<b>6. Next steps</b>			
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6	<p>Dr Merchant brought to the group's attention the issue of biopsies being carried out elsewhere and whether these should be done locally. Guidelines on fresh tissue and cytogenetics to be developed by Dr Merchant.</p> <p>To discuss at next meeting.</p>	C Sheard & W Merchant	14/11/2007
<b>7. Any Other Business</b>			
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7	<p>Nominations were requested for the positions of Chair and Vice Chair of the Sarcoma Group.</p> <p>Dr P Robinson, Consultant Radiologist, was nominated and seconded to be Chair and Prof M Lind, Lead Clinician for Cancer Services was nominated and seconded to be Vice Chair.</p> <p>Ms Sheard to update database.</p>	C Sheard	July 2007

### Date of Next Meeting(s)

Wednesday 14th November 2007 2:00 pm  
YCRN Conference Room 1, Ida Nurses Home, Cookridge Hospital