

Present:

Dr A Chaturvedi	Hull and East Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust
Dr A Platt	
Ms E Brown	Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust
Dr S Edward	
Dr W Merchant	
Mr H Peach	
Dr P Robinson (Chair)	
Dr R Stuart	
Dr R Turner	
Dr D King	York Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
Mr G Hughes	Yorkshire Cancer Network
Mr B Tinkler	

Apologies

Mr S Duffy, Ms S Edwards, Dr A Edwards, Ms F Halstead, Mr M Leach, Mr P Melling, Ms J Taylor-Clark

2. Action Log from the last meeting			
Log No	Action	Lead(s)	Deadline
1	The action log from the last meeting was agreed as being an accurate record.	N/A	N/A
3. Matters arising			
Log No	Action	Lead(s)	Deadline
2	•Teenagers & Young Adults - Improving Outcomes Guidance and Pathways To invite Dr D Stark to the next meeting to discuss further with the group.	H Ryan	Next meeting (06/10/2009)
4. IOG Update			
Log No	Action	Lead(s)	Deadline
3	The YCN has reached an agreement with Specialist Commissioning Group and NHS Leeds for funding to support the specialist sarcoma MDT at Leeds. Part of the agreement is to ensure there is formal review of the following three outcome measures: 1. Cancer Waiting Times 2. Patient experience, current and in 2 years 3. Specialist MDT working The NSSG and commissioning group will receive regular feedback to monitor progress of the three outcome measures. To meet within the next 2 weeks to agree how to monitor the three outcome measures.	Leeds SMDT	June 2009
4	To forward YCN patient experience survey to P Robinson for information.	H Ryan	July 2009

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4. IOG Update			
Log No	Action	Lead(s)	Deadline
5	<p>A joint YCN/ HYCCN meeting took place on 22nd May 2009 to discuss and agree the soft tissue sarcoma guidelines.</p> <p>To circulate sections of the guidelines to the relevant specialities for final comments.</p>	R Turner	July 2009
6. Joint YCN/ HYCCN Case Review			
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6	<p>The group discussed the workings of a joint YCN/HYCCN case review meeting.</p> <p>The group would need to randomly select cases to review and agree a format.</p> <p>It was agreed to start the case review meetings 6 monthly from January 2010 once the guidelines have been signed off.</p> <p>To add section into the guidelines on how case review meetings will work.</p>	R Turner	Review Next Meeting (06/10/2009)
7. Soft Tissue Sarcoma Pathway			
7.1 Seeking and understanding GP views			
Log No	Action	Lead(s)	Deadline
7	<p>G Hughes and P Robinson met with Leodis (practice based consortium in Leeds) on 9th June 2009 to discuss the proposed pathway and referral criteria.</p> <p>There was consensus for the radiologist to refer the patient for MRI after diagnostic ultrasound as long as the GP is kept informed on what is happening to the patient. The CNS will be the key worker from point of when MRI is organised.</p> <p>The group agreed that each PCT would implement a primary care referral process as appropriate.</p> <p>To develop a soft tissue sarcoma information leaflet to give patients at MRI.</p>	P Robinson/ R Turner	Review Next Meeting (06/10/2009)
8. The Bone Sarcoma Pathway			
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8	<p>It was highlighted that accessing specialist surgery for head and neck still continue to be a problem. Birmingham have identified that they do not have a head and neck sarcoma practice.</p> <p>Annual referrals from both networks is between 5-10 and the speed of referral and treatment for this group of patients are very important for outcome.</p> <p>To find out what alternate arrangements have been made to replace the bone sarcoma head and neck service at Birmingham and feedback to the group.</p>	B Tinkler	July 2009
9	<p>G Hughes tabled a draft bone sarcoma pathway for comment.</p> <p>There was discussion regarding the lack of around communication and feedback from Birmingham.</p> <p>To discuss with colleagues in Birmingham and Newcastle to ensure appropriate pathway/referral process is being followed and that communication processes are agreed.</p>	B Tinkler/ G Hughes	Review Next Meeting (06/10/2009)

9. Going Further on Cancer Waiting Times			
Log No	Action	Lead(s)	Deadline
10	B Tinkler referred the group to the latest cancer waiting times against the new standards which were circulated to the group prior to the meeting. To keep the group updated on future performance.	P Melling	Review Next Meeting (06/10/2009)
10. YCRN update			
Log No	Action	Lead(s)	Deadline
11	The YCRN Sarcoma Clinical Trials Portfolio Performance Report was circulated to the group prior to the meeting. Any comments on the information and format of the report to F Halstead (fiona.halstead@leedsth.nhs.uk).	All	On-going

Date of Next Meeting(s)

Tuesday 6th October 2009 2:00pm
Lecture Room, Cookridge Suite, Level 7, Bexley Wing, St James's University Hospital