

**Present:**

Dr R Pope	Airedale NHS Trust
Mr C Bem	Bradford Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
Mr G Dyke	Harrogate and District NHS Foundation Trust
Dr G Gerrard	Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust
Mr M Lansdown (Chair)	
Mr J Woodhead	
Mr J Frewer	Mid Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust
Mr A Nicolaides	York Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
Mr G Hughes	Yorkshire Cancer Network
Mrs H Ryan	

**Apologies**

Mr M Aldoori, Mr S Duffy, Dr D Goulesbrough, Mr I Hutchinson, Mrs C Ingham, Dr E Loney, Mr Z Makura, Dr C Parker, Mrs L Priestley, Dr F Roberts, Dr A Scarsbrook, Mr B Tinkler

<b>2. Amendments to current thyroid pathway</b>			
Log No	Action	Lead(s)	Deadline
<b>12</b>	<p>The current thyroid pathway was discussed and amendments were suggested by those present at the meeting.</p> <p>The process for ensuring timely pathology review at Leeds was discussed. It was agreed that each unit clinician would contact (fax/email) the MDT Co-ordinator at the Centre (copied to G Gerrard) with pathology results who would then liaise with the Centre Pathologist.</p> <p>To amend the pathway following discussion and circulate to the group for final comment.</p>	G Hughes/ H Ryan	July 2008
<b>13</b>	<p>Discussion took place on GP access to thyroid ultrasound.</p> <p>To liaise with Network Primary Care colleagues on this issue.</p>	G Hughes/ H Ryan	On-going
<b>14</b>	<p>To agree a range of options with Professor Maclennan to ensure the optimal process for double pathology reporting prior to possible discussion with commissioners.</p>	M Lansdown	Review next meeting (01/10/2008)
<b>15</b>	<p>Discussion took place on the appropriate level of follow-up for high and low risk patients.</p> <p>Ms Lynne Priestley and Dr Gerrard have produced protocols on nurse led follow-up for low and high risk patients.</p> <p>To add follow-up as a main agenda item for the next meeting.</p>	G Gerrard	Next meeting (01/10/2008)
<b>16</b>	<p>To circulate a follow-up proposal for agreement prior to the next meeting.</p>	G Gerrard	September 2008

**Thyroid Group : Actions of the meeting held on Wednesday 25th June 2008 2:30 pm**

<b>3. Agreement of quality criteria</b>			
Log No	Action	Lead(s)	Deadline
17	<p>The broad quality criteria for the pathway was agreed by the group to include:</p> <p>Functioning of MDT Double pathology reporting Referral to oncology after lobectomy and completion thyroidectomy Number of lymph nodes from level 6 dissection Patient Experience/ Information</p> <p>To add quality criteria to pathway.</p>	G Hughes	July 2008
<b>4. Consideration for audit of current performance</b>			
Log No	Action	Lead(s)	Deadline
18	<p>To contact Mr Melling to discuss the to collection of data for audit agreed at May meeting.</p>	M Lansdown	July 2008
<b>6. Any Other Business</b>			
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19	<p>•Children and Young People</p> <p>Mark Lansdown informed the group of the guidelines for the Management of Differentiating Thyroid Cancer produced by the UK Children's Cancer Study Group and the British Society of Paediatric Endocrinology and Diabetes.</p> <p>It was agreed that there is a need to formalise the way paediatric thyroid cancers are managed across the Network.</p> <p>To discuss the paediatric and adolescent aspect of the thyroid pathway with Roly Squire, Paediatric Surgeon, Leeds.</p>	M Lansdown	July 2008

**Date of Next Meeting(s)**

Wednesday 1st October 2008 2:30 pm  
The Board Room, 3rd Floor, Trust Head Quarters, Harrogate District Hospital