

YORKSHIRE CANCER NETWORK

Upper GI Nurses Group

Minutes of meeting held on
16th November 2006 at 10.00am
YCRN Room 2, Ida Nurses Home, Cookridge Hospital

Present:	Aiden Henry	Airedale NHS Trust
	Noreen Hawkshaw (Chair) Sharon Huntley Kate Smith	Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust
	Lisa Verity	Mid-Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust
	Maggie Clough	York Hospitals NHS Trust
	Colinne Sheard	Yorkshire Cancer Network

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from: Helen Hey, Wendy Markey and Tracey Wilcocks.

2. Minutes of the last meeting

Minutes of the last meeting were reviewed and agreed as an accurate record.

3. Matters Arising

None.

4. Mapping Event

Noreen Hawkshaw advised the group of the present situation with regard to the Patient Information Mapping Event now taking place on 31st January 2007. This event will be specifically for Health Care professionals. Noreen Hawkshaw and Maggie Clough have already met with Jane Archer, YCN Patient Information & Support Manager. The group discussed the event, sponsorship and workshops.

It was suggested that the group invite Martin Child, YCN User Involvement Facilitator be invited to speak to the group about his role in the mapping event

ACTION: Colinne Sheard to invite Martin Child, YCN User Involvement Facilitator to speak at the next meeting.

5. Patient Support Groups

Kate Smith informed the group that she held the first Patient Support Group meeting for Leeds and the Region. The next meeting will be held at Leeds Metropolitan University. This will focus on oesophageal gastric cancer patients with a possibility of this turning into an Upper GI sub-group if the meetings are well attended. There is a Drop In Centre at York where a support group meets regularly. Lisa Verity is considering starting a support group in Mid-Yorkshire to meet every alternate month.

ACTION: Kate Smith to circulate details of the Leeds & Region Support Group to group members.

6. Any Other Business

A discussion was held on the possible issues with travelling expenses and parking costs for patients when services are centralised.

7. Date of Next Meetings:

Thursday 11th January 2007

Thursday 19th April 2007

Thursday 19th July 2007

Thursday 18th October 2007

All meetings will commence at 10.00am and will be held in the YCRN Conference Suite.