

Yorkshire Cancer Network Urology Oncology Nurses Group

Minutes of the meeting held on
Tuesday 22nd February 2005, 10.00am
Arthington House Conference Suite, Cookridge Hospital

Present: Paula Bavill
Julie Bleazard
Carolyn Cook
Lorraine Hunt (Chair)
Lisa Mattinson
David Tyson
Marie Wilde

1. Apologies

Alyson Brandom, Kathy Gould, Alex Parker, Carol Sleight, Joh Sugden, Sue Ronaldson

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting

Were agreed as being an accurate record.

3. Presentation by Carolyn Cook - "Assisted Conception"

Very interesting and informative presentation by Carolyn cook, in summary:

- Do not sperm bank for testicular patients having external beam radiotherapy only
- Screening process – all patients are counselled and seen by medical staff. Patients are made aware that they will be screened for HIV/Hep B/syphilis (Leeds Teaching Hospitals Trust Policy)
- Sperm banking request form completed
- Consent obtained
- Appointment made with assisted conception unit
- Patients made aware they have to abstain from sexual intercourse for 48 hours prior to sperm banking.
- Assisted conception unit will contact patients on an annual basis regarding whether to keep specimen.
- In this group of patients sample can be kept until they are 55yrs old

4. Trials update

Unfortunately Joh Sugden had to send her apologies, please see attached document.

5. Patient information

Chrissie Lane fed back to group about a recent Yorkshire Cancer Network Workshop on Quality information for patients and their families. The aim of the workshop was to agree a core amount of general cancer information for patients. This was aimed at generic information, not site specific.

Chrissie also informed the group that Macmillan funding had been obtained to appoint an information officer for the Yorkshire Cancer Network. Chrissie was hopeful that one of the first jobs for the appointed individual would be to look at information currently available to urology patients and to arrange a user and professional's workshop similar to the one that has looked at gynaecology information across the Network.

The group today made a start at looking at the information currently used by us as a group of CNS with regard to prostate cancer. We are conscious not to reinvent the wheel but felt this would be a useful start to offer the users groups etc.

The following people have agreed to look at the following areas and attempt to summarise the information out there. It was felt that there could be a core of information with specific local info added.

Pre diagnosis

TRUS biopsy – Lisa Mattinson

PSA – Julie Bleazard

Diagnosis

Radical Prostatectomy – David Tyson

Radiotherapy/ brachytherapy information booklets to be distributed to group members by Lorraine Hunt

Active surveillance – Marie Wild

Lorraine Hunt informed the group that a booklet has been written but is only in draft form at present for patients attending for palliative radiotherapy

It was agreed that all group members would initially email specific information to the person identified for each topic area, this would then eventually be emailed to Lorraine Hunt to circulate with agenda for next meeting.

6. Any Other Business

- **Key Worker**

There was concern expressed amongst members regarding the role of and who should function as key workers as identified in the Quality Measures. Lorraine Hunt informed the group that as far as she was aware the Yorkshire Network Lead Cancer Nurses groups were to address this issue in their next meeting.

7. Date and Time of Next Meeting

Wednesday 13th April 2005, 1.00 – 4.00pm
Cookridge Hospital (Room TBC)

Lunch will be sponsored by Yamanouchi 12.00 - 1.00pm