

SAFE USE OF MEDICINES GROUP

Meeting

Monday 24th May 2004
Time: 9.30am to 14.00pm

Attendees

Dwayne Crombie (Waitemata) – Chair
 Tim Maling (Capital Coast)
 Avril Lee (Waitemata)
 Beth Loe (Project Manager)
 Mary Seddon (Counties Manukau)
 Marilyn Crawley (Waitemata)
 Elizabeth Plant (Taranaki)
 Gillian Bohm (MOH)
 Jane Vella-Brincat (Canterbury)

Invited

Tracey Barron (PHARMAC)
 Peter Moodie (PHARMAC)

Minutes

Item	Topic/agenda	Notes/comments	Action Required
1.	Apologies	Gershu Paul, Peter Black, David Kibblewhite, Allan Pelkowitz	
2.	Minutes of meeting 23 rd March 2004	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re item 2. Funding for warfarin video from DHBNZ • Other DHB's may be doing other things • Potassium alert finalised and distributed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approach DHBNZ re funding for video (Dwayne) • Investigate what happening nationally re high risk drugs (Beth)
3.	Medication Safety and QUM Conference-feedback from workshops and where to from here	<p>a) 1st priority is to develop a national QUM policy that has</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sustainability • visibility • buy in from sector • political legitimacy • economic viability <p>and will improve clinical outcomes</p> <p>b) Proposed that it be based on PHARMAC QUM document but extended to include primary care</p> <p>c) The groups role and membership to expand to include QUM and representatives from researched medicines industry, consumers, primary care, academia, nursing</p>	<p>Obtain feedback from conference delegates about proposed changes to group, proposed terms of reference and prioritising of projects (Beth)</p> <p>Relationship between group and Minister talk to Gillian Durham, Colin Feek, or Karen Poutasi at MOH</p>

		<p>and ?disease pressure groups</p> <p>d) Change logo to reflect expanded terms of reference</p> <p>e) Where QUM body should stand ? ie as a ministers advisory committee (these are short term) or as a committee created by the minister such as EpiQual</p> <p>f) Expanded group would need new terms of reference</p> <p>g) Need to have network/champions of QUM and to learn from experience of others both internationally and locally, develop QUMap as in Australia, foster QUM initiatives at local level and implement nationally if appropriate</p> <p>h) Develop a QUM/safety kit/presentation for PHO's, CEO's, boards</p> <p>i) Safety/QUM initiatives: Infrastructure;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IT • Equipment • Education • Research • Events • Process • Drug information • Formulary <p>High Risk Medicines; continue with safety alerts but extend to include quality eg cardiovascular medicines, inhaled corticosteroids, clozapine, atypical antipsychotics, need to demonstrate outcomes eg efficacy, safety and economy (PHARMAC could help with cost/benefit analysis, DUR's already completed, IPA/PHO pharmacists work already completed)</p> <p>j) Funding: at present contributing organisations paying for members, where should funding come from? PHARMAC might be able to give some money from QUM budget, MOH for specific projects, DHBNZ?</p>	
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4.	Barcoding: IDAS and EAN numbers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EAN is possible to packs but not to individual doses and involves a big change management issue. • IDAS has developed its own barcodes for a limited range of drugs and 2 other groups in NZ also doing the same. • Ideally standardise on EAN, Australian working party currently looking at EAN and issue may be resolved when they report back 	
5.	Electronic Health Record (EHR)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IT consortium still scoping what is already happening before FrST proposal is finalised • USA have announced that there will be an EHR for all Americans in 2010 	
6.	Dates for future meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teleconference Monday 28th June 4pm • DHB NZ Wellington Monday 26th July 9.30am to 2.30pm • Teleconference Monday 23rd August 4pm • Auckland Monday 20th September 9.30am to 2.30pm • Teleconference Monday 18th October 4pm 	
7.	Warfarin alert	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some changes made • To be put in same format as potassium alert 	Send out revised version to group for comments (Beth) Reformat to match potassium alert (Tracey/Beth)