

Scottish Stoma Nurse Group: Support Garment Review

Date: Thursday 17th November 2016 10.00 – 12.00

Venue: Meeting Room 2 NHS National Procurement, 2 Swinhill Avenue Canderside ML9 2QX

Attendance		
NAME	Designation	Representing
Tracy McMeekin	Stoma Clinical Nurse Specialist (Chair)	NHS Ayrshire & Arran
Verna Henderson	Stoma Clinical Nurse Specialist	NHS Borders
Jenny Thompson	Stoma Clinical Nurse Specialist	NHS Forth Valley
Deirdre Leckie	Stoma Clinical Nurse Specialist	NHS Glasgow & Clyde
Caroline Miller	Stoma Clinical Nurse Specialist	NHS Glasgow & Clyde
Pam Steadman	Stoma Clinical Nurse Specialist	NHS Tayside
Clare McLaughlin	Stoma Clinical Nurse Specialist	NHS Lanarkshire
Anne Haston	Stoma Clinical Advanced Nurse Practitioner	NHS Lothian
Isla Ramsay	Stoma Clinical Nurse Specialist	NHS Lothian
Billy Hislop	Category Manager	National Procurement
Alice Macleod	Nurse Advisor	National Procurement
Video Conference		
Susan Donaldson	Stoma Clinical Nurse Specialist	NHS Highland VC 510667968
Maureen Morgan	Stoma Clinical Nurse Specialist	NHS Fife VC 516002418
Apologies		
Hazel Kearney	Stoma Clinical Nurse Specialist	NHS Dumfries & Galloway

These minutes reflect the salient points of discussion

Agenda Item	Discussion points	Lead
1	Tracy McMeekin (Chair) opened the meeting Papers circulated; Terms of reference, Agenda. Round table & VC introduction made	
2	Background	
	<p>Tracy gave the group background of the garment review with the aim of meeting:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To review support garment available on prescription 2. To ensure the garments available meet prescription guidance , best practice and review identify garments that should not be available on prescription 3. The group had been asked to review the stoma listing support garment section prior to the meeting 4. Billy Hislop discussed strategic focus of reducing waste and variation and developing effective partnerships to improve quality of care, with the following key groups identified : <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Scottish Government Stoma report recommendations, Scottish Government Stoma Forum and British Healthcare Trade Association (BHTA) b. Anne Haston, Susan Donaldson & Billy Hislop attended the Scottish Stoma Forum where BHTA and patient support groups were represented. They are aware that Scottish Stoma Nurse Group are reviewing clinical needs and evidence based practice in relation to support garments 	

3	Terms of Reference	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Terms of reference was circulated prior to the meeting 2. The following points were discussed : 3. From a strategic and governance perspective it is necessary to have clear defined scope and objectives that define the activities and responsibilities of this SLWG 4. The outcome will be development of a report that identifies current gaps in this service and how the SLWG has met objectives to improve the quality of care and cost effective prescribing guidance. 5. The report will be circulated to relevant stakeholder groups for action. 6. There was general support for the content of ToR and a national approach. <p>Any further comments to be sent to Tracy McMeekin by January 30TH 2017</p>	ALL
4.0	Consensus on Support Garment Use	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Wide agreement from the group to remove prescription of light weight (level 1) garments in line with national evidence. Tracy motioned to only prescribe firm products for hernia 2. Proposals to remove level 1 garment have been discussed with relevant ostomy patient groups, who recognise the need to reduce inappropriate prescribing. Anne Haston & Billy Hislop mentioned that this was discussed at Scottish Stoma Forum 3. Tracy informed the group of issues raised by Fife Ostomy Support Group with recognition of reducing inappropriate health care spending, and concerns regarding supplier patient contact, availability of products for hernia management. 4. Wide discussion that the focus of improving quality of patient care through defined national management and evaluation will be a better way to promote the focus of this SLWG which will appeal to patient groups and be less likely for industry challenge. 	
5.0	Support Garment Categorisation	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wide discussion of current support products available for stoma lists ; 955 items listed under belts & bag covers <p>Identified Gaps</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lack of robust evidence base for use of support garment for hernia prevention 2. Noted that incidence data only has identified parastomal hernia coding from April 2016 , therefore difficulty establishing true incidence trends. 3. No clarity of category / support level of current support items on listing with poor product description. 4. Industry presentation in July 2016 : conflicting information on support fabric consistency and no clarity of support level description : Light =1 , Medium =2 , Firm =3, no clarity of what products would meet a support criteria : This compromises clear decision making 5. Group discussed National Guidance from Association Stoma Care Nurse on parastomal hernia management: Guidance does not support prescription of support garments for prevention. This would support removing light garments for prescription 6. Useful to develop a management pathway for prevention and management of established parastomal hernia aligned to ASCN Guidance focussing on assessment, agreed firm support for hernia with evaluation that will improve future data analysis of incidence trends. 7. General consensus that firm products should be chosen of parastomal hernia management with review of range. 8. Consensus that there is no agreed categorisation tool available but there is a need to identify how products are categorised to meet a support level 1-3 9. Agreed that BHTA should be approached to match their products to a categorisation framework 	

6.0	Next Steps & Actions	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Draft a categorisation framework for support garments : Timeline : 30.01.17 2. Stoma Nurses to draft national management pathway for parastoma hernia prevention and a pathway for management aligned to ASCN guidance: Timeline 06.02.17 3. Stoma nurses to review ASCN assessment tool & feedback use Timeline 06.02.17 4. Collate additional comments of ToR and amend 5. Alice to send information of Health Technology Assessment Review performed by Health Improvement Scotland as potential action for SLWG report. 6. Billy Hislop to engage BHTA regarding support garment categorisation 	<p>BH</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>AM</p> <p>AM</p> <p>BH</p>
	<p>Addendum : NEXT MEETING Thursday 16th February 2017 10.30 – 13.00 Meeting Room 5 National Procurement Canderside ML9 2QX</p>	