



Yorkshire and the Humber Strategic Clinical Networks

## Yorkshire and the Humber Renal Network News

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### Welcome!

Welcome to Issue 12 of the Yorkshire and the Humber Renal Network News for 2015.

We hope you have found the 2015 e-bulletins interesting and that they have been beneficial in providing an overview of national and regional initiatives and developments, as well as highlighting key renal events across Yorkshire and the Humber throughout 2015.

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Have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

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### Renal Network Update

Many of you will be aware that the work of the Strategic Clinical Networks (SCN) has been, and continues to be, under review by NHS England. This Service Improvement Architecture Review has affected the staffing capacity of the SCN and consequently a reprioritisation of work programmes has been undertaken with those programmes, as identified in the latest NHS England Business Plan, taking precedence.

A consequence of this reprioritisation is that the SCN staffing support to the Renal Network will be paused from the end of December 2015 until the final outcome of the Service Improvement Architecture Review is known, along with the budget allocation for 2016-17.

The Clinical Leadership for the Renal Network will continue until the end of March 2016, and Dr John Stoves, Yorkshire and the Humber Renal Clinical Lead, will be working closely with Julia Jessop, SCN CVD Network Manager, to ensure that the key priorities for Renal are included in the plans for 2016-17. Please contact John via email to [john.stoves@bthft.nhs.uk](mailto:john.stoves@bthft.nhs.uk) with any comments and queries on this matter. For general enquiries regarding the Renal Network please email [stephaniebeal@nhs.net](mailto:stephaniebeal@nhs.net).

Please note the [meetings already scheduled for 2016](#) will continue as planned.

The decision to pause SCN staffing support to the Renal Network was not taken lightly and there has been recognition of the excellent work undertaken in the network and mitigations will be put in place to ensure that vital work continues. As soon as a final outcome from the review is known a further update will be provided.

Rebecca Campbell (Quality Improvement Manager) and Sarah Boul (Quality Improvement Lead) would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support, contributions and ongoing commitment to improving outcomes for renal patients; it has been a privilege to work with you all.

### **Acute Kidney Injury (AKI) Nutritional Considerations Guidance Launched**

Think Kidneys has launched an [Overview of Nutritional Considerations in the Treatment of Adult Patients with Acute Kidney Injury in Hospital](#). The guidance covers identifying patients with AKI at risk of malnutrition, principles of nutrition support in patients with AKI and dietetic audit measures in AKI. Please read and share with all colleagues in your Trust.

### **AKI “Handy Guide” for GPs RE: AKI Warning Results in Development**

The latest blog on the Think Kidneys website has been written by GPs Tom Blakeman and Charlie Tomson and addresses the impending AKI Warning Stages alerts, which will be going live in Primary Care in April 2016. Tom and Charlie state that the introduction of AKI Warning Stage Test Results offers the potential to support earlier detection and prompt management of AKI but go on to state that this needs to be balanced against the potential for information burden for GPs and treatment burden for patients.

To read more about the developments in this area please click [here](#).

### **AKI Patient Leaflet**

The British Kidney Patients Association, in conjunction with the Royal College of General Practitioners and Think Kidneys, has launched an Acute Kidney Injury (AKI) Patient

Information Leaflet. The leaflet is designed to be given to patients who have been told they have had AKI and provides answers to any potentially frequently asked questions. The leaflet is available to download [here](#).

### **Dialysis Capacity Survey for Yorkshire and the Humber**

The Dialysis Capacity Survey for Yorkshire and the Humber provides an analysis of the baseline capacity of renal units across the region and shows how many patients are receiving dialysis by modality within that capacity. Planning for the future must be fully informed by the local need to guide the planning assumptions for capacity developments. Patient choice should also be a factor in determining local service delivery models. This document highlights the need to align current planning assumptions with future projections of need, whilst maximising opportunities to improve productivity and efficiency in the kidney care dialysis pathway. To read the survey in full please click [here](#).

### **Email Update for Transforming Participation in Chronic Kidney Disease**

The Transforming Participation in Chronic Kidney Disease (TP-CKD) have launched an email update of their activities to date. Please click [here](#) to read the update in full.

### **Just Say Sepsis!**

The Healthcare Quality Improvement Partnership (HQIP) has recently published the latest National Confidential Enquiry into Patient Outcome and Death (NCEPOD) report into sepsis. Just Say Sepsis! reviews the processes of care received by patients with sepsis. The report highlights that sepsis is common and states that findings show 45% of patients with sepsis either died or were discharged from hospital with a disabling condition such as irreversible kidney damage. To read the report in full please click [here](#).

### **Tolvaptan Update**

As mentioned in Issue 11 NICE has recently published technology appraisal guidance [TA358] recommending the use of Tolvaptan (Jinarc) as a possible treatment for people with autosomal dominant polycystic kidney disease if:

- they have chronic kidney disease stage 2 or 3 at the start of treatment and
- there is evidence of rapidly progressing disease and
- the company provides Tolvaptan with the discount agreed in the patient access scheme.

The Renal Association Executive has now asked Professor Albert Ong from the University of Sheffield to organise working group with the task of devising practical suggestions on how to implement the NICE guidance and how to commission and set up a service for providing and monitoring Tolvaptan use. It is intended that the practical suggestions will be available from early 2016 on the [Renal Association Website](#).

### **UK Renal Registry (UKRR) Annual Report Delayed**

The UK Renal Registry (UKRR) has released a statement announcing that, due to unforeseen circumstances, the UKRR 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Report will not be published in full

before the end of 2015.

UKRR have stated that they intend to publish three adult chapters: Incidence, Prevalence and Survival, plus two paediatric chapters: Demography and Biochemistry before the end of the year with the remaining chapters being published throughout January and February 2016. It is hoped that a full publication will take place in March 2016.

For further updates on progress with publication please click [here](#).

## **Dates for your Diary!**

### **Meetings:**

- Friday 11th March 2016, 13:30-15:30, **Yorkshire and the Humber Renal Education for Nurses**, Academic Health Science Network Offices, Navigation Court, Wakefield.

The purpose of the meeting is to gain a regional perspective of the Renal Degree course hosted by the University of Sheffield, and to share ideas about its content and how it is advertised across the Yorkshire and the Humber region.

If you would like to attend, or require further information, please email [stephaniebeal@nhs.net](mailto:stephaniebeal@nhs.net).

### **Forums:**

- Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March, 13:00-16:30, **Yorkshire and the Humber Home Therapies Forum**, Doncaster Royal Infirmary.

If you would like to attend, or require further information, please email [stephaniebeal@nhs.net](mailto:stephaniebeal@nhs.net).

### **Events:**

- Wednesday 27th January 2016, 10:00-16:00, **Improving the Cardiovascular Health of People with Serious Mental Illness: Key learning from the pilot site project 2nd national learning network event**, Tower Hotel, St Katharine's Way, London E1W 1LD.

Discussions will include:

- Results of the evaluation by the Royal College of Psychiatrists
- Overview of service models, lessons learned, and evaluation results from 2gether, Mersey Care, Northumberland Tyne and Wear, and Tees, Esk and Wear NHS trusts.
- Three Dimensions of Care for Diabetes – Kings College London
- Implementing a nicotine management policy in a mental health and community trust – Lancashire Care NHS Foundation Trust
- Tackling physical health in a primary care setting – City and Hackney CCG
- Engaging young people with physical health care – a service users perspective

To register for a place please click [here](#).

- Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2016, 09:00-16:00, **Motivational Interviewing**, The Source, 300 Meadowhall Way, Sheffield, S9 1 EA.

Motivational Interviewing is a style of communication that uses a guiding/reflective style to engage with patients, clarify their strengths and aspirations and utilise their own motivations for change. If you spend your life explaining what your patient should, could, must or needs to do then this is the course for you.

For more information or to register for a place please click [here](#).

- Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2016, 10:00-16:00, **Division 2 Clinical Research Network Meeting**, Hatfeild Hall, Wakefield.

Save the date for all staff working in Division 2 (Cardiovascular, Metabolic & Endocrine, Renal and Stroke Specialties) to attend a Clinical Research Network Meeting. Agenda and programme to follow. For more information please email [comms.cryorkshumber@nih.ac.uk](mailto:comms.cryorkshumber@nih.ac.uk).

- Thursday 10 March 2016, **World Kidney Day**.

The theme of the 2016 World Kidney Day Campaign is: Kidney Disease & Children: Act early to prevent it. Put the date in your diary and get planning your World Kidney Day events to promote the fight against the increase of preventable kidney diseases and to treat children with inborn and acquired disorders of the kidneys worldwide.

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- British Kidney Patient Association. Click [here](#) for the website.
- Devices for Dignity - Renal. Click [here](#) for their website.
- National Kidney Federation. Click [here](#) for the website.
- NHS Improving Quality. Click [here](#) for the website.
- Sharing Haemodialysis Care. Click [here](#) for the website.
- The Yorkshire Kidney Research Fund. Click [here](#) for the website.
- Think Kidneys. Click [here](#) for the website.
- West Riding KPA. Click [here](#) for the website.
- Yorkshire and the Humber Strategic Clinical Networks. Click [here](#) for the website.

- Yorkshire and the Humber Clinical Senate. Click [here](#) for the website.
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