

Psychological support group – Minutes of Meeting

3rd December 2014

Christie NHS Foundation Trust, Trust meeting room 6

Time: 2.00 to 4.00pm

Attendance	Representation
Padraig McDonnell	UHSM
Anne Crook	Christie
Claire Rehan	Bolton
Colsom Bashir	Christie
Helen Tuzio	Bridgewater - Wigan and Leigh Hospice
Maggie Parkman	Stockport
Michelle Eckersley	CMFT
Norma Armston	Patient/carer representative
Pauline West	Pennine Care - Trafford
Robin Muir	Bolton FT
Vanessa Hickson	Tameside
Apologies	
Hodan Noor	Pathway Manager
Anna Dalton	Pennine Care North - Bury
Bill Bodell	St Ann's Hospice
Diomidis Antoniedis	
Jane Younger	Christie
Sam Parkin	Beechwood Cancer Care Centre
Fay Mitchell	East Cheshire Hospice
Angela Kelly	SRFT
Aruna Hodgson	Wigan & Leigh Hospice
Caroline Lloyd	SRFT
Diane Finch	Trafford Macmillan well-being centre
Janice Sedgwick	PAT
Jo O'Neill	CMFT
Lisa Walsh	
Pat Jones	CMFT
Sarah Burlinson	Oldham
Tania Hawthorn	Christie
Wendy Shuell	Bolton FT

Agenda Item	Action
<p>1. Apologies Apologies were noted.</p>	
<p>2. Minutes from the last meeting Members agreed that the minutes were a true and accurate reflection of the last meeting.</p>	
<p>3. Matters arising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ PM informed the group that Jane Younger was leaving Greater Manchester to take up a post at the Clatterbridge Cancer Centre. The group thanked her for her contribution and wished her all the best for the future. ▪ The group noted that Jane Younger was its link to the Palliative Care Board and that a replacement should be sought. 	<p>PM to contact group regarding link to palliative care board</p>
<p>4. Psychological support annual plan – objective 1: Level 3 standards update A paper from the Strategic Clinical Network was tabled for discussion. The group heard that it was a draft and that feedback would be welcomed.</p> <p>There was some discussion of its content. The group agreed that the basic requirement for level 3 should be a diploma recognised by an accrediting body or to be working towards this qualification with a clear trajectory and appropriate supervision.</p> <p>There was a discussion of the relative merits of voluntary registration and accreditation and it was agreed that an accreditation model was desirable. The group noted the proposed list of accredited bodies in the paper and felt that, while it provided a good start, it needed amending.</p>	<p>PM to circulate paper</p> <p>Group members to submit further comments</p> <p>PM to feedback to John Herring at SCN</p>
<p>5. Psychological support annual plan – objective 2: Level 2 training optional appraisal The group considered the paper that had been circulated. It agreed that consistency of training was important and that, although there were challenges with the proposal, the goal of a unified model of training should be pursued.</p> <p>The group discussed the possibility of a role for the Christie School of Oncology in level 2 training as it is already a provider of advanced communications training for the region. There was also some discussion of support from the National Cancer Action Team or the bodies that have replaced it.</p> <p>It was agreed that a working party should be formed to develop the proposal. The group discussed the risks associated with poor level 2 coverage to inform the development of this proposal.</p>	<p>PM to form virtual working party to develop level 2 training proposal</p>
<p>6. Psychological support annual plan – objective 2: Workforce mapping The group discussed the paper that had been circulated. It noted the inequality of access to level 3/4 support across the region. There was a discussion about the detail of the paper and some questions around the assumptions that HN had used in its development.</p> <p>The group agreed that there was a case to be made for the improvement in access to services across the area. The group collated the risks of lack of coverage of level 3/4</p>	

<p>professionals to inform the development of this case.</p>	
<p>7. Manchester Cancer updates The group noted that papers that had been circulated regarding the work of the Living With and Beyond Cancer Board.</p>	
<p>8. Any other business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ RM informed the group that he had attended a breast workshop as part of the Macmillan Cancer Improvement Partnership ▪ There was a discussion of whether the attendance at reflective practice groups had declined recently – the experience of group members was mixed ▪ It was proposed and agreed that an opportunity for supervisors to meet across the region be set up 	<p>Col Bashir to email Level 2 supervisors and invite comments about usefulness of regular contact to share ideas etc</p>
<p>9. Date of next meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 11th February 2015, The Christie NHS FT , Department 2, level 3, room 6, 1-3pm ▪ 28th April 2015 The Christie NHS FT , Department 2, level 3, room 6, 3-5pm ▪ 23rd June 2015 The Christie NHS FT , Department 2, level 3, room 6, 2-4pm ▪ 8th September 2015 The Christie NHS FT , Department 2, level 3, room 6, 2-4pm 	