



National Wound Care Strategy Programme Board Meeting

Board Summary Notes

Tuesday 8th December 2020 11.20 – 13.20

- a) The 2021-22 CQUINs have not yet been confirmed but it is looking hopeful that the Leg Ulcer and Pressure Ulcer CQUINs will be commissioned.
- b) The Lower Limb Recommendations and the Case for Implementation have both been published on the NWCSF website.
- c) The NWCSF Board Terms of Reference were reviewed and updated with minimal changes.
- d) Education and Workforce Workstream. It was agreed to create an advisory group to advise on the strategic direction of both Education and Workforce operational groups.
- e) It was agreed that the NWCSF should continue to work with Health Education England to develop 'generic' educational resources without input or materials from industry.
- f) The Surgical Wounds Recommendations were ratified but a review date will be added in recognition that the results of ongoing trials (particularly in relation to negative pressure wound therapy) may affect the recommendations. A graphic designer will be employed to create a shorter, professionally designed version with an algorithm.
- g) Wound Product Classification System: The NWCSF is undertaking a pilot study working with several suppliers nominated by the SDMA and ABHI who have agreed to populate the framework with their products.
- h) The Functional Overview and Wound Management Digital Systems (WMDS) consultation feedback was presented. There was a high level of agreement between clinicians and WMDS suppliers. Further work is needed but the NWCSF plans to publish the recommendations and a procurement template on the NWCSF website. These will be intended as recommendations rather than mandating procurement practice and will aim to provide an overview of what might be available in wound management digital systems, to support users to understand what the most important capabilities of such systems might be.
- i) The annual progress report was accepted and is published on the NWCSF website. UA thanked the NWCSF Board, Workstreams and Stakeholders for their collaborative efforts which had achieved a great deal in the last year.
- j) Despite COVID, the NWCSF work continues to progress although the Supply and Distribution workstream remains suspended until the COVID burden lessens for procurement colleagues.
- k) Adverts had been published for the Lower Limb and Surgical Wound Clinical Leads and Patient and Public Voice representative vacancies. Eighteen applications for the 1st tranche Implementation sites had been received and initial shortlisting for the 1st tranche implementation sites was complete.
- l) As the NWCSF is now moving into implementation, there are plans to review the NWCSF Board membership.