

ESICM
Nursing and Allied Health Professionals Open Committee Meeting

4th October 2011
07.30-09.30

Meeting minutes
Chair : Christina Jones (UK)

Present

Christina Jones, Terry O'Reilly, Katerina Iliopoulou, Stijn Blott, Anna Rosa, Sonia Labeau, Deborah Dawson, Julie Benbenishty, Elizabeth Papathanassoalou, Barbara McLean, Dominique Vandijck, Myriam Sehe, Jos Latour, Carole Boulanger, Kathleen Puntillo

Advanced Nursing Diploma

Christina reported on the progress on Katerina's suggestion at the March 2011 Committee meeting of developing an ESICM Advanced Nursing Diploma. A scoping meeting had been held at the Brussels office on 28th July 2011.

The first step decided at this meeting was to design a Delphi study repeating the CoBaTrICE medical competency study. To cover as many European countries it was suggested that we should approach European federation Critical Care Nursing associations (EfCCNa) to help with the study. Ruth Endacott made the initial approach to EfCCNa's research committee and this will be discussed at their upcoming Council meeting end of October 2011.

The original CoBaTrICE was funded through a grant to ESICM from the European Commission fund. Christina discussed the possibility of applying for funding from the same source at the Education and Training Directorate meeting on 3rd October 2011 and received very positive support to pursue an application. The funding application will be submitted early in 2012.

Representative on new working group – TAHI

Stijn explained that the Technology section has been disbanded but that there would be a working group with representatives from all the different sections. Christina asked if anyone could suggest an individual who would be interested in representing the N&AHP committee on this new working group. Barbara reported that she had had involvement with the technology section before and would be happy to be the representative.

Report from Congress Committee

Stijn initiated a discussion on the possible programme for the 2012 Congress in Lisbon to take to the Congress Committee meeting on 5th October 2011.

Delirium study - Recognition, prevention and treatment of ICU delirium

Christina reported that the possible study using SurveyMonkey of nursing and AHP members' knowledge of delirium, its recognition and treatment was discussed at the joint Delirium working group on 3rd October 2011. The chair of the working group felt that the study would be beneficial to doctors as well and requested that it should be extended to medical members. Christina plans to rework the proposal and recirculate it before applying for ESICM recognition.

Report from Research Committee

Freda de Keyser Ganz was not able to attend the Committee meeting but Christina reported that Freda had been worried by difficulties she had experienced in attending research committee meeting. Christina had spoken to the Chair of the research committee, Richard Beale, who reported that there was a general problem with representatives being able to attend meetings. He was working on ways to improve attendance.

Life-priority website patient and relatives perspective

Christina reported on the new ESICM website www.Life-priority.com and that she was working with Jean-Daniel Chiche on the patient and relative information. Initially the website will be in English but eventually other languages would be added and so information available in other languages for patients and their families could be added as and when it became available so she would like to hear from anyone who has designed such information.

Reports from other committees

Katerina, Terry and Ana, the N&AHP representatives on the Education and Training Committee, Editorial and Publishing Committee and Communication Committee respectively, all reported that they had not yet heard anything about meeting for any of these committees. Christina said she would discuss this with the relevant committee chairs.

ESICM working group representation

Christina reported back on the delirium working group meeting on 3rd October 2011 where the risk assessment tool for delirium validation study was discussed. Unfortunately ethical approval for this study in the UK had not been granted as

there was a requirement for all patients to be consented and the lack of funding for the study made this requirement impossible.

Katerina reported that Agori Balogiani had not heard anything from the Nutrition and Metabolism working group and had not been able to attend the Congress. She would like to remain the N&AHP representative. Christina felt this was simply a communication problem and said she would contact the chair of this working group.

Dominique reported that he had attended the Quality Improvement working group and the Health economics working group and had had a very warm welcome from both. He also reported that there are studies being planned from both working groups which he would have more information about in due course.

Elsevier Intensive and Critical Care Nursing Award

Debbie informed the meeting that Elsevier has been funding an award over the past three years funding a nurse who has had an abstract accepted to attend the Annual Congress. The award covers registration at the Congress, travel and accommodation. Interest in the award has waned and it has been difficult to advertise it. The suggestion was made that all nurses who have their abstract accepted for presentation should have a flyer sent to them informing them of the award when they are informed that their abstract has been successful.

Date and Time of next meeting

The next NAHP committee meeting will be at the 32nd International Symposium on Intensive Care and Emergency Medicine in Brussels in March 2011, date and time to be confirmed.