

## Women and Children's Directorate

### Clinical Advisory Board for the New Children's Hospital Outpatient Services Sub Group

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 15 August, 2006 in the QMH Classroom 12:00 – 13:30

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#### Attendee List:

Mrs Eleanor Stenhouse (Chair), Mrs Coral Brady, Ms Maureen Kinney (Minutes), Ms Lesley Bedford, Ms Diane Fung, Dr Paul Galea, Dr Janet Gardner-Medwin, Ms Anne Maclean, Dr Neil Gibson, Mrs Marilyn Horne, Mr Tim Lavy, Dr Rosemary Lever, Sister Maureen Lilley, Ms Catherine Martin, Sister Karen Prince, Dr Alison Robertson, Ms Val Sellars, Mrs Lesley Smith

**Apologies:** Dr Joan Burns, Ms Caroline King, Mr David Koppel, Ms Marie Valente, Mrs Lynne Robertson

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#### 1. Apologies and Welcome

Mrs Stenhouse opened the meeting and welcomed all.

#### 2. Minutes of the meeting of the 1 August, 2006

The minutes of last meeting were discussed. One change is noted to Page 2, Item 7: Line 2; Psychiatry should read Psychology (this was brought to attention at end of meeting). There were no further amendments and the remainder of the minutes were accepted as an accurate record.

#### 3. Matters arising:

**Adolescent Clinics/Outpatient Clinics – Response from Clinical Advisory Board**  
The Clinical Advisory Board are meeting on Wednesday, 16 August 2006. Mrs Stenhouse has offered to raise this area with the Board. **(Action – Mrs Stenhouse)**

#### 4. OBS – Progression of the Outpatient Services Submission (Paper 1)

Mrs Brady thanked everyone who had submitted their written brief. She stated that the first draft would be circulated in due course. Responses had been received from all but a few of the medical specialties. Dr Galea had spoken about this at the Medical Division and it was stated that all were aware of the timescales. Mrs Brady offered to send an email reminder to the Medical Division.

Mrs Brady requested a note of thanks be minuted for the co-operation of Outpatient staff in typing, collating information, etc to aid the production of the draft document.

**(Action – Mrs Brady)**

Mrs Stenhouse stated that what was submitted must be the requirements for a service, not a 'wish list' and once the final Outpatient Services submission is ready we all must take a reality check and ensure that what is in the document is what is actually required. Once the submission is complete there will be further discussion with the Clinical Advisory Board before meeting the designers. At present, the first draft looks like the accommodation requested is double what we currently have. Although there are

pressures on Outpatient services at present, we need to ensure that rooms will be used effectively.

Mrs Brady asked for all final submissions to be in no later than **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> August**. Once all submissions are in, the document will be circulated, and instructions supplied on highlighting amendments.

Mrs Stenhouse reiterated that credit must be given to all who have submitted their written brief.

#### **5. Labs and Imaging issues.**

Mrs Stenhouse said that Mr Andrew Watt had emailed to remind users to ensure what provision for imaging services had been written into draft. No issues were specifically raised other than what users had put in. Adjacent imaging service with equipment capable of viewing would be essential.

#### **6. Rehabilitation Unit**

Mrs Brady stated that there was a meeting last week about a proposed new way for Outpatient Services. This proposal was for a rehabilitation unit to encompass all therapies, ie a 'one stop shop' for all facilities that a patient would require.

Dr Gardner-Medwin stated that services at present were not good for patients who were post-operative and between inpatient and community services. At present these patients are unnecessarily kept as inpatient. There had been an enthusiastic response at the aforementioned meeting for a Rehabilitation Unit. Ideally a building on-site where there would be AHP services on hand, eg Physio, OT and a school room. The proposed siting could be next to the proposed 'patient hotel', which is already highlighted in the Inpatient Services Submission. An email giving more details regarding the details of the rehabilitation unit will be circulated to all members.

**(Action – Mrs Brady)**

Mrs Stenhouse offered to highlight this consideration to the Clinical Advisory Group meeting on Wednesday, 16 August 2006.

Mrs Horne asked if there was any specific code that would identify patients who are rehab rather than inpatient, in order to quantify the patients that may benefit. Dr Gardner-Medwin stated there was no specific code, but as an example, 50% of neurology patients may benefit.

#### **7. Patient Consultation – An update**

Full consultation will begin in September, with all families being included. There are two teams set up within GGC NHS who will engage with children and families during this consultation period. A circular will be distributed to all wards to enable children to be consulted. Mr Jamieson will provide feedback.

#### **8. AOCB**

Mrs Stenhouse thanked the group once again for their submissions and hoped that the design team will be able to interpret our needs from what we submit.

It was stated that as future practice will be moving to the Outpatient model, the service needs to be fit for the future.

#### **9. Date and time of next meeting.**

The next meeting will be the half-day event at the Camponile Hotel. Scheduled for Tuesday, 29 August, 2006 from 0930-1430. Time will be confirmed when programme for the day is circulated.

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