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NEUS Summer 2021 Newsletter

Dear All

Firstly, a few words from our BAUS Regional Representative – Mr Mark Johnson.

Dear NEUS members

Welcome everyone! For those of you who don't know I took over as BAUS Regional Rep last summer. I have some big shoes to fill and I would like to thank David Thomas for his sterling work both as regional representative and Trustee. It is a great shame that we could not meet up last year either in Birmingham for BAUS or in Durham for the NEUS meeting, but I am hopeful that we will get the chance to meet up in person this November at NEUS. I hope that most of you will register for BAUS 2021, which will once again be a virtual meeting and has a Global Urology theme with a lot of international input.

The BAUS registries have now closed and the focus has switched to more focussed, and time limited, audits. The Audit Steering Group at BAUS is also working closely with GIRFT and NCIP (National Consultant Information Programme) to create an online platform that will generate individual activity data and patient outcome benchmarks to replace the old registries and facilitate reflection and appraisal of our clinical activity. The current plan is for urology to be a vanguard specialty.

The Mesh pause continues and, since April 2021, Newcastle has officially been recognised by NHS England as a Mesh removal centre under the leadership of Karen Brown (Urogynaecologist RVI) and Chris Harding (also BAUS mesh lead).

Finally I would like to thank Ali Rogers for all his hard work as NEUS secretary and wish Andy Moon

the best of luck as he takes over in that role. I hope that we can all get behind Andy to support the NEUS meetings this year and in the future. I am also very grateful to Deb Wood for her continued administrative input into NEUS and to Matt Shaw for his work as treasurer.

Please put the NEUS meeting date in your diaries (26th November 2021). The programme looks great and let's hope that the meeting will go ahead face to face and that we can get back together in person as friends and colleagues to catch up with the news and provide that vital peer group support that we all need to survive in these sometimes challenging times. In the meantime enjoy the summer and I hope that you all get the chance to get away somewhere nice for a holiday (even if it is in the UK!).

If there any issues that you would like me to raise with BAUS then please contact me.

Best wishes

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NEUS Annual Meeting 2021

The next NEUS meeting is Friday 26th November and will be held at the Riverside cricket ground, Chester Le Street. We are hoping this will be a face to face event and it will be great to meet in person again.



This year our keynote sessions will focus on elective and emergency Andrology and we are pleased to announce that Professor David Ralph will be attending.

We will also be looking at the regional Urology COVID 19 recovery.

As part of an increasing need to be more sustainable / greener, NEUS 2021 will be paperless with the programme of events and abstracts to be available to download from the NEUS website (www.neus.co.uk).



NEUS website

BOOK YOUR STUDY LEAVE NOW!



make the meeting.

This will be available to view on the NEUS website.

We are hoping to utilise the website more so please check it out for updates and news.

NEUS Abstracts

Well done Paul Gravestock, last year's virtual NEUS 2020 winner. We look forward to presenting the Prof Rob Pickard Plate to the best paper on the day, so please get working on those projects.

Abstract submission will open mid July. Further details to follow in due course.

ISCP update- Miss O'Riordan



Dear all,

Starting September 2021 we are moving to the new ISCP curriculum for our surgical trainees, apart from those in their final year.

There are significant changes coming. The idea is that there will be more emphasis on outcomes and competencies rather than numbers. The most notable one is that the clinical supervisor will be responsible for arranging and compiling the 'Multiple Consultant Report' (MCR). This will be a report created after discussion with other clinical supervisors about the trainees progress.

The terminology will be changing significantly and you will need to familiarise yourself with this. Therefore I urge you all to:

- 1. Look at the Trial MCR in your trainees portfolio now, and go through one with them to get an understanding of how it will work and what will be expected. It is quite a detailed report.*
- 2. If you look at the FAQ section of the ISCP the first question that comes up is 'What are the key changes?' And if you open that up and click on the links it sends you to lots of different youtube videos that are very helpful*
- 3. BAUS have run some webinars so these are very helpful and probably still available through your BAUS membership.*
- 4. The role of the educational supervisor is relatively unchanged.*

So good luck with the changes. Like everyone we need to embrace change and see it as a force for good or we end up like the dinosaurs!

I look forward to giving you a brief update at NEUS this autumn but please do not wait until then. Any questions or issues please do not hesitate to contact me at a.oriordan@nhs.net and thank you all for your ongoing support of your wonderful trainees. Stay safe.

Anna O'Riordan- Urology TPD

SNUG @ NEUS

At this year's NEUS meeting we will once again see a resurgence of the Specialist Nurse in Urology Group (SNUG). There will be a dedicated 'breakout' session for SNUG hosted by one of Professor Ralph's team who will be joining us on the day. Please encourage your nurse specialists to come along. If any of the nurse specialists have got any topics that they would like to cover please contact Andy Moon (Andrew.moon@nhs.net)

NEUS Sport - Cricket

The annual NEUS vs ENT match was held on the 6th June at Heaton. There was an excellent turn out from around the region and it was great to see a number of the families and kids running around.

Alan Tyrie (one of the audiologists who used to play regularly in this fixture) sadly passed away over the last year. ENT have commissioned a trophy in his memory to celebrate this fixture every year.

Well done to the Urology team who won the match !

NEUS Sport / Activities – If anyone is interested in arranging a NEUS Golf day or any other NEUS activities, please get in touch with ideas or suggestions. It is a great way to catch up and see friends and colleagues from around the region.

Look forward to seeing you all soon !

Best wishes

The NEUS team

