



ANNUAL REPORT

Name of Regional Network: Greater Manchester Clinical Audit Network

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Successes

- Good links to other Trusts /sharing ideas/audit tools etc
- Meetings provide a central source for information gathering, members are happy to share our practice as we know each other.
- Queries sent via chair and circulation list enable feedback to be gained quickly on issues of concern.
- Trusts are including network participation in Trust clinical audit annual reports.
- Links to HQIP and NICE via representative attendance, providing added value from direct communication
- NW joint networks annual training event – 100 delegates for 3 years running. 2015 will be year 4 - very positive feedback.

Lessons Learnt

- Different topic areas discussed at meetings and shared learning between members works well
- National agenda brought to member's attention – really valuable to have involvement of other external bodies eg NICE, HQIP
- Group participation seems to be the best way forward (reduces pressure on whoever is chairing the meetings)
- Member feedback - "Good chair makes a big difference"
- Most are facing similar issues, national audits taking up significant capacity in many organisations
- HQIP have provided valuable resources and central information to all
- Attendance and group discussions aids feedback on new practices/software which is valuable to the group – encouraged visits to trusts

- Not yet managed to pursue suitable network audit

Future Direction

- Group are still keen on finding a good, worthwhile audit that we can undertake across the network i.e. regional audit. Possible multi-trust audit if not across whole network.
- Collaborate with other networks.
- We have discussed development of Greater Manchester wide clinical audit resources.
- We have discussed development of a Clinical Audit Facilitator training package.
- Works well as it is – format should remain and focus continue to be directed by the Chair and members of the Network