

Notes of the meeting of the South and West Devon Formulary Interface Group

Tuesday 11th October 2013 - 2pm – 4.30pm

The Watermark, Erme Court, Leonards Road, Ivybridge PL21 OSZ

Present:	Chris Roome (CR) – Chair	NEW Devon CCG		
	Phil Melluish (PM) – GP	South Devon & Torbay CCG		
	Keith Gillespie (KG) - GP	NEW Devon CCG		
	Bill Nolan (BN) - GP	South Devon & Torbay CCG		
	Larissa Sullivan (LS) – Interface Pharmacist	NEW Devon CCG		
	Sarah Marner (SM) – Interface Pharmacist	NEW Devon CCG		
	Carol Webb (CW) – Joint Formularies Technician	NEW Devon CCG		
	Margaret Hinchliffe (MH)	Lay member		
	Jeremy Morris (JM) – Formulary Pharmacist	Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust		
	Gareth Franklin (GF) – Clinical Guidance Manager	NEW Devon CCG		
	Iain Roberts (IR) – Lead MO Pharmacist	South Devon & Torbay CCG		
	Petrina Trueman (PT) – Joint Formularies Pharmacist	NEW Devon CCG		
	Amanda Gulbranson (AG2)- Clinical Effectiveness Lead	Devon Partnership Trust NEW Devon CCG		
	Paul Manson (PM) – Lead MO Pharmacist			
	Steve Cooke (SC) – Chief Pharmacist	Plymouth Community Healthcare		
Invited:	Rebecca Prosser – Medicines Optimisation Pharmacist	South Devon & Torbay CCG		
Apologies	Elena Mercer (EM) – Formulary Pharmacist	South Devon NHS Trust		
	Andrew Gunatilleke (AG1) – Consultant, Chair SDNT DTC	South Devon NHS Trust		
	Paul Humphriss (PH1) – Head of Medicines Management	South Devon NHS Trust		
	Paul Hughes (PH2) – Deputy Head of Prescribing	Kernow CCG		
	Mike Finnegan (MF) – Consultant, Chair PHNT DTC	Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust		
1 Welcome:				

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The Chair welcomed everyone.

Apologies as noted above.

3 Notes of last meeting 13th September 2013:

These were noted and agreed.

4 Action log:

• **Revised Osteoporosis pathway:** A revised pathway is being worked up by the specialists across Devon. It was asked that this work be followed up as there is a need for this guidance.

Action: To be followed up and bring a revised osteoporosis pathway to future meeting

- Rivaroxaban DVT guidance: Added to the South Devon Formulary.
- Dapagliflozin TA: Formulary entry has been finalised
- Mirabegron TA: This has been added to both formularies

5 Primary care antibacterial section

This section has been re-formatted and put onto the new website, not yet live. There are still some outstanding issues but these are being resolved. Particularly in the South Devon area it was asked that the revised guidance could be issues swiftly. The appendices relevant to this section will be looked at and added.



Action: GF to contact Graham Parsons regarding the relevant appendices.

6 Chapter 1 Gastrointestinal

The merge work for this Chapter has been done by Rebecca Prosser. Rebecca outlined the proposed changes to both formularies. There was discussion in different areas, the main points/questions:

- Is there a need for Diabact UBT, to check with the NICE Dyspepsia guidance about treating/testing for H.pylori
- PPI:
 - o Choice of omeprazole tablets, MUPS can be used in MDS so agreed to delete tablets
 - MUPS are also now licensed for use in PEG tubes, the notes regarding esomeprazole to be amended in regard to PEG tubes
 - o Lansoprazole, to include the dose for NSAID gastroprotection
 - o To add notes regarding using a PPI for gastroprotection for patients taking an SSRI
- Infacol®, included for hospital use in pre-endoscopy. To add notes that it is available to purchase.
- It was agreed to add dicycloverine syrup as a liquid antispasmodic
- Metoclopramide, due to the MHRA warnings against chronic use it will not be referenced in this Chapter
- It was agreed to remove cimetidine from the formulary
- Macrogol, brand prescribing be highlighted (Laxido®)
- Magnesium Hydroxide, little used as a laxative. To change the colour to 'amber' and notes to indicate its use in hypomagnesaemia. JM to send Rebecca the appropriate doses.
- Lactulose and Macrogol to be changed to 'green'
- To add the cautions for use for phosphate enemas
- Diltiazem cream, to remain as second line as an unlicensed preparation. The most cost-effective preparation to be included
- Pancreatin, the need for the notes about high dose, non-formulary, preparations to be checked
 with the specialists. It was noted that the NHS England commissioning of cystic fibrosis
 treatments is for inhaled preparations, oral treatments would remain in primary care prescribing.
- H.pylori treatment regimens, to include as per the BNF and to remain in this chapter

Action: Chapter to be bought back to the next meeting

7 Chapter 11 Eye

This is a very draft merge of this chapter and has not been sent to any clinicians. Comments and questions were required from the meeting. There was discussion in different areas, the main points/questions:

- Paediatric prescribing guidance for conjunctivitis to be moved into the Antibacterial Guidance.
 Remaining notes to be removed.
- Administration aids, to increase the information and include the products
- Quinolone eye drops, all are being used. Can this be rationalised?
- The colour of the prostaglandin eye drops to remain as amber but to clearly indicate that generic latanoprost is the first line choice
- To suggest removing remove tafluprost



- Sodium chloride 5% eye drops/ointment to be included as yellow
- Lubricants, to look at being able to rationalise the formulary choices. Lucy Wessels (SD&TCCG)
 has been doing some work in this area

There was discussion about encouraging generic prescribing. It was asked that a note be added about being aware of changes in container and methods of administration and the difficulties that patients whose vision is not good may have.

8 Terms of reference - deferred

9 Recent drug approvals (including NICE)

These were noted.

Renavit – this has been approved by the CPC. Specialist initiated drug.

Action: GF to send the proposed formulary entry to the group

10 MHRA Drug Safety Update – September

Noted, nothing to include in the formularies

11 Formulary merger update

It is hoped that Pain, Cardiovascular and possibly Respiratory will come to the next meeting These was discussion about using an on-line consultation process when Chapters are reviewed, this was agreed.

It is proposed that the new on-line South & West Formulary will be launched when Chapters 1-6 have been completed. This is hoped to be early in the New Year.

Any other business

PM informed the meeting that there is now a Western Locality GP that will be able to be part of the Formulary Group

Next meeting: Friday 8th November 2013 2pm – 4:30pm The Watermark, Ivybridge PL21 0SZ



South and West Devon Formulary Group – Action log					
Date	Action	Responsible	Completed		
June 2013	To bring a revised osteoporosis pathway to future meeting	GF			
Sept 2013	An update on the dressings project to be given to the meeting after the next dressings meeting	TM			
Sept 2013	Updated ToR for discussion	GF			
Oct 2013	Antibacterial – to review and include the relevant appendices	GF/ Graham			
	into the guidance	Parsons			
Oct 2013	Chapter 1 Gastrointestinal - to be bought back to the next	Rebecca	On the		
	meeting	Prosser	agenda		
Oct 2013	Renavit – to send the proposed formulary entry to the group	GF	Complete		