



# Mental Health Nurse Academics (UK)

*Promoting and advancing UK Mental Health Nursing education, research, policy and practice*

## Notes of meeting held 12<sup>th</sup> November 2010

University of Wolverhampton (UoW)

**Chair: Linda Cooper**

### **Present:**

**Wolverhampton team:** Sheila Dixon, Gill Maidens, Anita Freakley, Gill Maidens, Brian Bell, Dave Bell, Tim Cawley, Mike Fogarty, Joy Clayton, Lynn Edwards, Aaron Bates, Sophie Orton, Rachel Clarke & Samhita Das; Vicky Clarke – Birmingham City; Martin Herriott – Birmingham Solihull Mental Health Trust; Linda Cooper & Ben Hannigan – Cardiff; Alan Simpson & Soo Moore – City; Ian Beech – Glamorgan; Andy Mercer - Bournmouth; James Turner – Sheffield Hallam; Michael Coffey - Swansea; John Rawlinson – Plymouth; Joy Duxbury – UCLan; Mairi Byrne – Edgehill; Gordon Mitchell & Diane Ellis – Teeside; Graeme Smith & Lisa Woods – Liverpool John Moores, Steve Prymachuck & John Baker – Manchester; Maire Byrne – Edge Hill, Susan McAndrew & Tony Warne – Salford;

**Apologises:** Len Bowers – IOP; Karen Wright – Uclan; Kevin Moore – Ulster; Sally Hardy – City; Ben Thomas – DoH; Mary Chambers – Kingston; Stephen Hemingway - Huddersfield; Alyson Kettles – Aberdeen (R & D NHS Grampian); Michael Kelly – KCL; Liam Clarke – Brighton; Christine Hogg – Salford; Fiona Nolan – UCL; Alyson Kettles – Aberdeen; Christina Lyons – UCLAN; Debi Corby – Bradford; Greg Rooney – Hertfordshire; Richard Gray – East Anglia; Jarlath McKenna – Waterford Institute Ireland; Ian Hulatt – RCN.

### **Welcome and Introductions**

Linda Cooper welcomed everyone and thanked Wolverhampton University for hosting the meeting

Introductions – Sheila Dixon – Head of Mental Health – (UoW)

Welcome from Ann Cysewski. Associate Dean - Quality & Professional Standards (UoW)

- Presentation 1:      **Developing & Supporting Mental Health Nursing Research Forum****  
Martin Herriott. Deputy Director of Nursing, Birmingham & Solihull MH NHS Foundation Trust. Vicky Clarke. Birmingham City University - Head of Mental Health & Learning Disability. Rachel Clarke. Senior Lecturer Mental Health (UoW)
- Presentation 2:      **Brief Solution Focussed Therapy – My Experience****  
Aaron Bate. Ex Student Nurse Mental Health (UoW)
- Presentation 3:      **Psychological Interventions – The Journey so far....****  
Dave Bell Senior Lecturer Mental Health (UoW)
- Presentation 4:      **NHS West Midlands Clinical Care Pathways Project Mental Health****  
Dr Samhita Das - Post Doctoral Fellow. Centre for Health and Social Improvement (UoW)
- Presentation 5:      **NHS West Midlands Learning Disability Clinical Care Pathway****  
Sophie Orton – Research Assistant (UoW)

## Business Section agenda & notes

### Brief updates:

#### i) DH Violence and Abuse Policy

Linda Cooper

DH Questionnaire had been circulated. Mapping re current and future pre-registration programmes had been requested. Access to pre-registration programme leads had been facilitated as agreed by the Chair. No essential performance criteria relating to violence and abuse for the inclusion in pre-registration programmes received from DH. **No further actions.**

#### ii) NPNR

Alan Simpson

2010 NPNR evaluation and suggestions for widening the agenda for the 2011 conference discussed.

**Action: Group members to email [A.Simpson@city.ac.uk](mailto:A.Simpson@city.ac.uk) with comments /suggestions for 2011 NPNR**

#### iii) Service user involvement in student assessment

Alan Simpson

Patrick Callaghan had contacted NMC to establish if they would commission a study. Garth Long had replied indicating that there were no NMC funds available. Keith Edwards, MHNA(UK) member leading this task group has retired.

**Action: AS to establish future involvement/next steps. Defer to next meeting.**

**iv) The case for Mental Health Nursing: position paper and publication.** Linda Cooper on behalf of Prof. Patrick Callaghan. Outline ideas discussed based on abstract received.

**Action: Members interested in collaborating on a paper with Patrick Callaghan & Linda Cooper to email [Patrick.Callaghan@nottingham.ac.uk](mailto:Patrick.Callaghan@nottingham.ac.uk)**

**v) Eileen Skellern Award - 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2010 @ City University.** Lecture to be delivered by Professors Patrick Callaghan & Peter Nolan. Action: Members to email Sally Hardy City University to reserve a place.

**Note to members. Due to snow, event now rescheduled to 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2011. 6.30 – 9.30pm @ City University. Northampton Sq.**

### Main Discussion items

#### i) Discussion to identify MHNA(UK) priorities for the next year

Linda Cooper/Alan Simpson

The following priorities were identified in the context of the current political & economic climate by members present. Following the meeting these were discussed by the Chair and Vice Chair and the actions below suggested:

- a) Work in partnership with NHS Confederation – MH network – AS to invite Steve Shrubbs to next meeting
- b) Provide MHNA(UK) response to imminent (due Dec 2010) DH consultation regarding commissioning of education & training and bursaries for healthcare professionals - LC to invite MHNA(UK) member Dr Steven Prymachuk to lead consultation response
- c) Strengthen communications with Council of Deans [noted John Playe, Tony Warne, Sarah Owen & Hugh McKenna MHNA(UK) members in COD
- d) New MH Strategy for England due by end of 2010 – LC to invite Ben Thomas to April 2011 meeting
- e) MHNA(UK) to undertake research. Outline proposal for bid proposed by John Baker [Manchester University]
- f) Invite new members from Universities which are currently not represented – John Baker offered to provide database of all HEIs delivering MHN education or research in UK. LC to write to relevant University MH leads. Members to promote group & feed in new contacts to Chair

- g) Consideration be given to inviting national MH service user & carer organisation be become affiliated to MHNA(UK) – LC to contact MH Professional Advisor for each of the 4 countries to identify national groups used by England, Wales Scotland and Northern Ireland

**ii) Information sharing – re individual HEIs approach to the development of Pre-Registration programmes to meet the 2010 NMC Standards.**

**Linda Cooper**

Sheila Dixon [Wolverhampton University] discussed a draft outline framework of interprofessional, generic & field specific modules for the new curriculum. Most present identified placement capacity being the main challenge in designing new programmes. Various solutions such hub & spoke and client allocation models were shared.

It was noted that Plymouth, Manchester & Hertfordshire were planning to implement the new programme from Sept 2011

**iii) Process re nomination & appointment of new Vice Chair**

Linda Cooper

Ben Hannigan [Cardiff University] had kindly offered to manage the process. It was agreed that nominations be requested from members by 26/11/10. Members are reminded to seek the agreement of those to be nominated before doing so. If more than one member nominated, nominees would provide a 250 word summary for circulation to the group by 3/12/10. Votes would be requested by 17/12/2011.

**Ben Hannigan would announce the Vice Chair elect w/c 20/12/10.**

**Professor Alan Simpson [City University] will take up his role as Chair from 1<sup>st</sup> March 2011**

**Note: Dr Michael Coffey [Swansea University] was elected as the new Vice Chair w/c 20/12/10**

Alan Simpson warmly thanked Linda Cooper for chairing the group for the past 2 years

**Future Dates & Venues (all confirmed)**

<b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2011</b>	<b>Bournemouth</b>
<b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2011</b>	<b>Plymouth</b>
<b>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2011</b>	<b>Bradford</b>

<i>March 2012 (venue &amp; date tbc)</i>	<i>Hertfordshire</i>	<i>Greg Rooney to confirm</i>
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**15.30 pm Close of Meeting**