

AUTUMN MEETING OF THE TRENT BRITISH GERIATRICS SOCIETY

TUESDAY 20TH OCTOBER 2009

VISTA ROOM, INNOVATE CONFERENCE CENTRE
DAKOTA HOTEL, JUNCTION 27 M1

Present:

Awaiting attendance list

Apologies:

Dr Rajesh Dwivedi
Dr James Reid
Dr Simon Conroy
Dr Adam Gordon
Dr Suvira Madan
Dr Opinder Sahota
Dr Graham Fancourt
Dr N Mylvahan
Dr S M Fowlie
Dr Nainal Shah
Dr Alan Anderson
Dr Jane Liddle

Chairman's report

Dr Lo welcomed everyone to the Annual General Meeting of the Trent British Geriatric Society meeting. He reported on changes in training for geriatric and general medicine trainees. There is a new curriculum for general medicine and Dr Lo explained the mechanisms of transfer from the current curriculum to the new curriculum if trainees wish to undertake this. It was noted in the future that acute medicine training would be separate from that of general medicine training and a separate CCT would be awarded for this. The main change with regards to the new curriculum is a move away from competency based assessments to assessing and recording the number of patients and having targets for this. Further information will be available in the near future.

There will be nationally advertised posts that LAT trainees can apply for in up to 2 deaneries and applicants are encouraged to apply for these posts.

With regards to the Trent BGS, it has been agreed the meetings will stay at the current venue, the Dakota Hotel of Junction 27 of the M1. Academic representatives and nominees for this post are encouraged. The Trent BGS has purchased its own laptop and it was agreed that it would be appropriate to purchase a projector as well. It was also noted that the Trent BGS website has recently been launched and that this was met with approval by the meeting. Dr Anderton was congratulated on this achievement.

Secretary's report

It is important that we have correct email addresses as Dr Anderton will be sending the CPD certificates to participants electronically from this meeting. Dr Youde asked all attendees to ensure that we are informed of any change in people's email addresses. It would be helpful if all Trent BGS members could inform Dr Youde of their specialist interest as this will help to plan our future meetings.

The Treasurer's Report

TBGS financial statement October 2009

Our HSBC account has been closed and we now bank with the BGS centrally (RBS)

£10669.64 31st March 2008

£4707.02 received

£4139.32 paid

£11237.34 20th October 2009

Figures

There was a discussion regarding the change in the ABPI code. It was felt that this would not effect the current agreement and successful collaboration that the Trent BGS has with the pharmaceutical industry at present. This would have to be monitored however. There was also discussion as to how some of the money may be used to help trainees within the Trent Region. It was agreed that it would be optimal if a regional research grant scheme was set up whereby geriatric trainees from the region could apply for research grants for up to £500. It was agreed that this would be an ideal method of encouraging trainees to undertake research and understand grant application processes. Dr Lo agreed to take this forward.

Any other business

There was no other business discussed and it was agreed that the next Annual General Meeting would be on 14 October 2010.