



# October 2014 Meeting report



Health Education South London



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The South London Membership Council met on 8 October and had approximately 50 attendees.



**Chris Streater**, Managing Director HIN gave an update on the HIN programmes of work including:

- a bid to become a genomics centre for London working collaboratively with organisations in south London including Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust, South London and the Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust and St George's Healthcare NHS Trust. Genomics has the potential to provide personalised, targeted medicine and could be key to improving outcomes in the future.

- Patient Safety which the HIN is leading on for the other 15 Academic Health Science Networks across the country and has been given funding from NHS England to develop the collaborative to bring all elements of the service together. The Patient Safety Collaborative will be looking at acute and vulnerable patients.
- The launch of the Schwarz Rounds bidding process which are being held in partnership with Health Education South London (HESL). Schwarz Rounds started in the States to discuss troubling issues in care and these are aimed at Hospices, GPs and community providers.
- The Focus on Primary Care event in October which showcased 'My Brain Book' the leading project in the Dementia work stream funded by UK Trade and Investment, which will link with Co-ordinate My Care, 111 and the London Ambulance Service.
- The eight multidisciplinary Darzi and Innovation fellows that are now working for the HIN. The group includes doctors, paramedics, nurses and physiotherapists. The fellows will gain some worthwhile CPPD and a cohort of young talented clinical leaders to lead future transformation is being developed.



**Julie Screaton** informed the delegates about 'Beyond Transition' and her appointment to the post of Director, London and the South East and assured participants of the ongoing commitment to the future of the Membership Council. Julie thanked the Membership Council for all of their input over the past 2 years and is looking forward to still working with south London colleagues in her new role.

Julie updated the Membership Council on HESL's work including:

- Return to Practice campaign or 'Come back' campaign which was launched on 29 September and aims to bring nurses whose registration has lapsed back into the NHS. Health Education South London is working in partnership with the University of Greenwich and Kingston University London, St George's University of London to find placements for 'return to practice' students in local healthcare organisations.
- A project led by Susan Aitkenhead to develop Standards for Assuring Quality in Practice Placements, the final report for which is now available on the website. The standards were developed to help ensure that the multi-professional practice environment so critical to all learners being trained as the safe, effective and compassionate clinicians of the future, is fit for purpose across the healthcare sectors and specialties.

- A fantastic event at Goodenough College on 16 September, to launch Team Up 2014. Nineteen community organisations were represented and over 150 trainees and students attended the event, which provided an opportunity for potential volunteers to meet the community organisations and find out further details of the projects being offered. Further information can be found [here](#)
- The Five Year Forward View published on 21 October, is a vision of what healthcare in England will look like in 5 years' time. Several statutory bodies were involved in developing it including HEE. A workforce response will be required and we will be asking the Membership Council for their views in the coming months.

Both Chris and Julie spoke about the London Health Commission led by Lord Ara Darzi that was presented to the Mayor of London and provides a strategic approach to healthcare in London. There are 10 headline recommendations which include childhood obesity, early interventions, alcohol, smoking, exercise, healthy eating, moving care out of hospital settings and embracing digital technology, all of which are relevant to the HIN and HESL.



The Membership Council will be asked at future meetings to think about the workforce recommendations in the report, how to increase the profile of primary care and developing health and social care roles that don't respect organizational boundaries.

[Amanda Price](#) on behalf of the Membership Council Subgroup gave an update on their work to inform membership Council priorities and agendas and the review of the Terms of Reference. The Subgroup was also instrumental in deciding the categories and criteria for this year's Innovation Grants and Recognition Awards and three members were on the judging panel.



There were two sessions on HIN clinical themes of diabetes and MSK:

[Laura Spratling](#), Programme Manager for the HIN Diabetes clinical theme gave the Membership Council an overview of the work that is being undertaken. High level priorities including supporting better self-management, adopting new technologies and enabling systems for integration of care were developed and refined in consultation with a wide range of stakeholders. A toolkit for structured education in Diabetes, launched at the HIN Focus on Primary Care event in September, was demonstrated at the Membership Council and delegates had an opportunity to look at it in more detail over coffee. The toolkit is available on the HIN website.



[Andrea Carter](#), Programme Manager for the HIN MSK clinical theme, focused on the 'Enabling Self-management and Coping for Arthritic Pain through Exercise (ESCAPE-pain) programme. ESCAPE-pain is now running at clinics at Lewisham Hospital, Dulwich Hospital, King's College Hospital and Pulross Community Centre in Brixton. It is being rolled out into the community and a collaboration with Wandsworth CEPN has been formed to deliver training to GPs.

Two interactive sessions followed on workforce development and apprenticeships which yielded lots of good discussion and ideas for the HESL teams to take forward.



**Graeme Jeffs**, Head of Workforce Development, presented an overview of the Workforce Planning process and outcomes in 2014/15. These reflect the service pressures experienced by providers in South London. The Council reviewed the HESL Investment Plan, and the areas where changes Education Commissions will be made in 2015/16.

In order to make the best use of the investment made in the future workforce, the Council gave detailed feedback on how HESL should support employers to reduce their turnover and vacancy rates. This will be captured and feed into the design of our work programmes in 2015.



**Laura Emson**, Senior Commissioning Manager led an interactive session on apprenticeships which are a way for young people and adult learners to earn while they learn in a real job, gaining a qualification. Hiring apprentices helps businesses to grow their own talent by developing a motivated, skilled and qualified workforce. HESL has a range of support on offer to NHS organisations in south London to support hiring apprentices including business case development, drafting job descriptions and signposting to expert input such as the National Apprenticeship Service. The Membership Council was asked for their thoughts on how HESL can support their organisations to hire apprentices. The Membership Council was interested in how to embed apprenticeships into their workforce and how they can help HESL achieve its targets of 307 for this year and 723 in 2015/16.



## Awards Ceremony

The annual Innovation Grants and Recognition Awards ceremony was held in the afternoon was a celebration of innovation and educational excellence in South London with approximately 120 people attending. We were very pleased to welcome Justin Webb from BBC Radio 4 who spoke about the NHS being able to give great care as it has great technical ability and love of the person. Justin said 'it was a pleasure to be at the awards ceremony celebrating the fantastic work of south London'.

Jeremy Corcoran, a highly specialised physiotherapist from Guy's and St Thomas' Hospital NHS Foundation Trust was the winner of the first Rising Star award for his work within the rehabilitation physiotherapy team. His specialist skills and clinical interest are within the unique vestibular clinical setting and patient populations. Alongside his clinical work Jeremy is completing his PhD in this clinical specialty. Some of Jeremy's work has been published in peer review journals including The Otorhinolaryngologist and The Journal of Laryngology & Otology. He has also received charitable grants funding highly innovative project in providing an efficient diagnostic and evaluative device for vestibular patients.

The Innovation Award winners from 2013 also attended and presented posters of their work over lunch. It was a successful day with lots of engagement, discussion and celebration. A brochure with all of the award winners is attached.



The South London Membership Council is held jointly between Health Education South London (HESL) and the Health Innovation Network (HIN). It brings together workforce, education, innovation and research representatives from our member organisations, ensuring the views of our members are heard and acted on.