

**Defining the Future of Endocrinology working group**

*Mission Statement*

To seize new opportunities to ensure world-class care for patients with endocrine disorders in the UK by harnessing research, education, and new ways of working

*Purpose*

To transform clinical care, bringing together UK-wide expertise across clinical endocrinology to define the most effective, future focussed endocrinology service models and recommend how these are best implemented and sustained within the NHS post-COVID-19

*Chair* A senior clinician with experience of clinical service leadership

*Members to include*

* Representative of endocrinology in the DGHs x2
* Representative of endocrinology in tertiary care x2
* Clinical academic
* Clinical nurse specialist x2
* Representative of trainers
* Trainee representative x2

All members of the working group must be current SfE members and currently in NHS clinical practice. Membership of the group will be diverse in terms of geography (including devolved nations), gender, interest and experience to represent the SfE membership and make this group fit for purpose.

*External advisors*:

Additional expertise may be sought from other professionals as required. These will include:

* ABCD/ DUK/Royal Colleges
* Paediatric endocrinology
* Expertise of peer review
* Expertise of CRG/NHSE
* Expertise of GIRFT
* Expertise of data use and information services
* Patient support group
* Primary care
* Representatives of the devolved nations
* Expertise of tariffs/ commissioning
* Regional networks
* SfE networks
* NIHR link
* Representation of all endocrine subspecialties including thyroid, pituitary, bone, endocrine cancers, endocrine surgery, radiology, reproductive, women’s health
* Representatives of postgraduate and undergraduate sub-Deans involved in training/ teaching of endocrinology
* Representatives of relevant National institutes e.g National institute of Innovation

*Reporting*

The group will report to SfE’s clinical committee. Updates will be provided to Council via the Chair of Clinical Committee.

*Remit*

The group should address the following areas:

* Recreation of specialist and sub-specialist services
* How best to manage the backlog of case management
* Use of tele-medicine and remote monitoring
* Implementation of endocrine and bases
* Streamlining of patient referrals
* Patient initiated care and advice
* Better integration of primary, secondary and tertiary care
* Most effective service models
* Tools for sharing best practice
* How the impact of any changes should be assessed
* Training of Specialist Registrars and Nurse specialists

The group will need to consider how to incorporate the recommendations from GIRFT and how data should be managed to support any recommendations.

*Expected outputs and outcomes*

Draft report containing recommendations for consultation to SfE members. Final report to be circulated to the medical Royal Colleges, ABCD, the NHS, Patient Support Groups, Chief Executives of all NHS Trusts and lead endocrinologists within each institution.

Intermediary recommendations may be made ahead of publication of final report, if there are felt to be ‘quick wins’ that need to be implemented rapidly.

*Duration*

A final report that incorporates feedback from consultation should be ready by December 2020

*Secretariat*

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