

Minutes of the Cheshire & Mersey Patch Meeting – 10th November 2022

Present: Adam Ballinger (Countess of Chester); Graham Breckon (Countess of Chester); Holly Cook (East Cheshire); Fariba Bannerman (Edge Hill University); Samantha Gillies (Liverpool University); Liam Kaye (Wirral); Razia Nazir (Bridgewater); Tracy Owen (Mersey Care); Victoria Ferri (Royal Liverpool); Yvonne Stubbington (St Helens & Knowsley); John Gale (Mid-Cheshire(Chair))

Apologies: Susan Smith (Mid-Cheshire)

Site Reports:

Countess of Chester:

- The service has recruited a new library assistant – Adam Ballinger
- They are working on their QIOF submission
- They are preparing for the move from Soutron to Koha

East Cheshire:

- East Cheshire is going to become a teaching hospital, taking medical students from the University of Buckingham from April, next year.
- The library service is looking at BMJ's On Examination to support the medical students
- Alison Thornley has been seconded to work on the North West Health Libraries' Koha project
- Holly Cook has been doing lots of EBP training

Edge Hill:

- The University has adopted Blackboard Ultra as its virtual learning environment (VLE)
- A new version of Turnitin has been introduced
- Library staff have been supporting systematic reviews and clinical research

Liverpool University

- They have been updating instructional videos and Powerpoint presentations after moving to a new discovery system
- Matthew Greenhall has been appointed as Director of the Library Service and Joanne Fitton appointed as the Deputy Director
- The service has been involved in supporting people carrying out systematic reviews and have been developing LibGuides to teach people

Wirral:

- The service has recently been providing training in academic- and reflective-writing
- Annabel is leaving at the end of November

Mersey Care

- A new member of staff starts as Evidence Reviewer on the 21st of November
- A band 6 Evidence and Library Services' manager post has gone out for advertisement
- Tracy Owen has been appointed as the new Evidence Services Lead

Royal Liverpool

- There has been a lot of redevelopment work at the hospital but the library is staying where it is
- The service is looking for a new librarian and some library assistants

St Helens & Knowsley

- The library is promoting its annual staff survey
- The library has been working with their Trust's Wellbeing and Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion departments to promote the Reading Well collection on the library's web site and to create a Wellbeing Knowledge Box which goes out on loan to different departments
- The Trust has appointed a new Director of Research and the library now has a presence at research meetings

Mid Cheshire

- Has gone live with Koha on Health Libraries in the Midlands (HeLM).
- Kathryn Bennett has been shortlisted as Apprentice of the Year in the South Cheshire Chamber of Commerce & Industry Awards.
- A new project has started to support Trust guidelines and policies. Currently working on a new repository, embedding in BMJ Best Practice and redesign of the templates.

Embedded Librarian Services

YS said she went to the meetings of the Intensive Care department every Friday. She attends meetings in person, and sometimes does "real-time," searches during the meetings. This generates a lot of clinical searches. YS also gets sent a list of the teaching topics within the department. YS said that previous links with the Burns Team continued to generate lots of searches although she doesn't go to the team meetings anymore. YS said that it can be difficult to get usable impact from the embedded service.

HC said she was more-or-less embedded in the Trust's Transformation Team and they get more of a personalized service from her. She is trying to become embedded in the gastro team after a recent request for a search.

JG has been embedded with the Trust's Urology team since April this year, building on a pre-existing relationship with one of the Urology consultants. JG goes to quality-

improvement meetings once a month – virtually – and takes his cue for searches from the “mortality and morbidity,” discussions within the meetings. This has led to an increased number of searches from the department, and a poster was submitted to the British Association of Urological Surgeons Conference in June. Unfortunately all the Trust’s QI meetings happen simultaneously which makes it difficult to go to more than one department.

The JET Library is also embedded with the Quality Improvement Faculty through the QI Tracker we are notified of quality improvement projects when they are submitted and if suitable, we will conduct an evidence search. Tracy Dixon maintains the Tracker and Susan Smith report on the submissions to the repository at a monthly meeting. We are building on this by collecting patient stories in partnership with patient experience to identify potential projects or demonstrate the impact of projects. Tracy is currently preparing the videos for a Trust Stream Channel, but we plan to recruit volunteers to expand the collection of stories once we remedy issues around process flow.