

MINUTES OF TERTIARY CARE WORKING GROUP

COLOGNE – MAY 12TH 2006

AGENDA

1. Welcome
2. Approval of December Minutes
3. Report of Tertiary Care Group Chair
4. Reports of subsections
 1. Syllabus
 2. Visitation
 3. National recognition
5. Election of Tertiary Care Group's Chair
6. Any Other Business

Members Present: H Gnehm, T Southwood, J Walter, J Kimpen, C Kennedy, L Palm, J Costa, P Hamilton, H Frisch, J Lopes Santos, C Rodrigo, S Neubauer, W Rascher, I Malcic, W Kamps, C Stefanidis, J Ramet, J Mercier, I Oberhänsli-Weiss, E Jokinen, C Holmberg, H Bangstad, K Kralinsky, Z Zivkovic, K Julge, A Ormisson, Z Meszner, P Milla,

2. Approval of December minutes – Approved
3. Report of Tertiary Care Group Chair – Deferred to General Assembly
4. Reports of subsections

Rheumatology - Syllabus revision to be complete by Dec. 2006.
Working with adult rheumatology and general paediatricians who have an interest.

Visitation - UK visited.
Netherlands 2 visited
4 planned – France, Israel, Ireland, ?

National Visitation removed from colleges in UK
National Recognition – UK, Netherlands
Examining the possibility of a European examination in rheumatology

Metabolic Medicine

Syllabus established 4 years ago. Complete does not require revision

Visitation 2 – EBP – Heidelberg April 2003
Prague May 2005

Demand for visitation from Germany
National recognition – UK, Netherlands

Infectious Diseases

Syllabus approved and checklist – Plans for Fellows
To visit other centres in order to complete training.

Visitation – Basel requested
Hungary being considered
National recognition – no information

Neurology

Syllabus approved and agreed across Europe 2002
Currently being considered for revision
Visitation – None carried out but would vest this in national societies.
National recognition – most EU countries

Endocrinology

Published Syllabus 1999 – now adopted by several countries

Visitation – none carried out. 6 countries provided National recognition – 2/3rds of countries recognised at a national level.

Allergology

Syllabus approved 1999. Revised 2003. Still adequate.

Visitation – none carried out

Recognition – not recognised by any EU nation

Paediatric Cardiology

Monospecialty recognised in 80% of EU countries. Difficulty in France but exam being set up.

Syllabus recognised in 1993, revised 2005.

Visitation in Germany – 2 centres

Haematology/Oncology

Syllabus approved 2001 – updating being discussed.

Visitation – National programmes recognised

UK, Netherlands

Germany & France – carrying out visit

Budapest & Barcelona requested visits

Recognition – UK, Netherlands, Germany

Intensive Care

Difficulty in achieving courses within Europe for a syllabus

Nephrology

Syllabus 1996 – published 1999 training course

Visitation – none carried out as yet

National recognition – UK, Netherlands, Germany, Finland

Respiratory Medicine

Syllabus 1996 Published 1999 – being revised
Visitation – none carried out
Fellowship programmes
National
Recognition – Germany, UK, Austria, Netherlands

Gastroenterology

Syllabus 1996 – Published 1999
Technical aspects revised
Visitation – none carried out
National recognition – UK, Netherlands, Germany,
Italy, Sweden, Switzerland, Hungary

5. Recognition of individual subspecialists.

1. In order to recognise a centre need to know the quality of the trainers.
2. In some countries, individuals have had good training who would like to establish a centre – require recognition..
3. In addition there are individuals who have contributed to a subspeciality require recognition.

Allergology would like CESP-EAP to co-accredit individual subspecialists

The following points were made:

- a. There were issues of quality assurance
- b. Subspecialists require a framework within which to work to ensure continuing professional development

A poll was held to assess the overall view of the Group of accreditation

Individuals	4
Centres	20

6. Any Other Business

None