

## Sustainable Kidney Care Committee

**Date:** Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2023, 2pm

**Attendees:** Suren Kanagasundaram (SK - chairing), Shazia Adalat (SA), Fiona Adshead (FA), Eleanor Murray (EM), Mark Wright (MW), Angeline Taylor (AT), Daisy Wasilwa (DW), Jo Pywell (JP), Ben Taylor (observer), Frances Mortimer (FM), Mark Harber (MH), Catherine Floyd (CF)

**Apologies:** Keith Channing (KC), Emily Horwill (EH), Ron Cullen (RC), Karen Jenkins (KJ), Manraj Phull (MP), Chris Stait (CS), Stephen Palmer (SP)

**Minutes:** UKKA Secretariat

### Welcome & introductions - Declarations of interest

SK welcomed members. The only new declaration made was from SK – AstraZeneca have funded development of Newcastle's in-centre HD carbon calculator.

### Committee membership

SK highlighted some changes to committee membership. Rona Hutton has stepped down as committee co-chair and nursing representative – SK led the committee in thanking Rona for her work for the committee and wished her the best for the future. SK also offered congratulations to Katie Vinen on becoming UKKA President-elect and who will thus step back from a supportive role within the committee – SK thanked Katie for her valuable advice and input to the group.

SK noted the above means there is a vacancy for MPT co-chair of the committee. If any committee members are interested in taking up the role, they are welcome to informally discuss this with SK. There is also a vacancy in the committee for a nursing representative; SK has submitted a call for EoIs to KJ for distribution to the ANN UK membership.

### Matters arising

The committee agreed that the minutes of the March meeting were accurate.

The only matter arising was to note a submission for an oral presentation, describing the programme's work, to the UKHACC – BMJ Net Zero Clinical Care conference (14<sup>th</sup> July 2023; decision expected this month).

SK used Gantt chart to update on progress for different areas of committee work:

- **Top tips document:** now top dozen tips. Almost complete, CF adding branding and will circulate final version to group for 24-hour turn-around before dissemination – aiming for publication on 19<sup>th</sup> May. SK thanked the group for their input/feedback on the document. SK discussed comms strategy, including, UKKA social media, UKKW Climate Clinic, Networks forum, CD forum (awaiting response), and culminating in UKKA SKC webinar on 18<sup>th</sup> October; SK has asked if specialty group representatives could please send out to their respective UKKA professional groups. Distribution, also, to KCUK and the NKF patient organisations and via SHC, CSH.
- **RSTP:** release delayed until June from end of March, awaiting sign off for toolkits. Other dashboard/engagement packs circulating presently which are light on sustainability information.
- **Metrics:** MW/SK discussed with Smeeta Sinha, National Clinical Director for Renal. UKRR and NHSE not keen on manual uploads of data and currently all metrics would have to be manually collected. MW is planning to trial data collection to look at feasibility in NE/Humber/Yorks area with interested units for 12 months, launch meeting scheduled for 23<sup>rd</sup> May.



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- **Industry liaison group, generic Joint Statement of Demand:** this is likely to be via the ISN's GREEN-K programme – one proposed route to involve industry outreach (“a global ask is being developed – get involved”) -> one or more workshops with relevant service-side reps to define detail of generic JSoD in terms of net zero, circularity, social value, resilience, affordability, access -> industry briefing event, Autumn 2023 -> industry engagement on generic JSoD before finalisation and release by end 2023
- **WS2 resourcing:** SK is to put together a bid to support engagement work and to develop product specific JSoDs (completion by end 2024)
- **Unit champions:** only 3 units have signed up so far (Royal Berkshire, Newcastle & Coventry/Warwickshire). Will use UKKW as opportunity to sign people up, and the webinar in October. The group agreed to aim for 90% of hub units signed up by October end. AT and DW have discussed with colleagues but found reluctance as they are unsure what the role involves – will re-circulate the materials about the role although SK noted that the level of involvement could include simply acting as a point of contact. FM highlighted the need for the information to have an online home, which could be the network and then link to the SKC page on the UKKA site. MH suggested having a map of the UK showing which units were engaging proactively with sustainability – SK thought this would be a good idea and suggested adding to the agenda to discuss at the next meeting
- **Action: Re-circulate materials on unit sustainability champions**
- **Action: Add sustainability map to agenda for next meeting**
- **Climate Clinic at UKKW:** EM updated on planning progress for the session – time and date now confirmed, planning to focus on unit champion sign ups, top tips document and helping with individual issues/solutions. SK flagged that the session does not appear on the current iteration of the UKKW programme – this will be added in the next iteration.
- **SKC webinar:** SA updated: group scholars have agreed to attend and present work, and MH/MW also will provide some pre-recorded information.
- **UK Health Alliance on Climate Change:** still hoping to sign up to this to allow cross-disciplinary learning.
- **Life RESYSTAL:** SK suggested committee members could make informal EOIs to be involved in this if desired. SK will set up meeting with Healthcare without Harm team after presenting the project at the September committee meeting; hoping, at this point, to have committee backing to pursue UKKA sign off on membership agreement.
- **Action: SK to present summary of LIFE RESYTAL at September meeting**
- **Newcastle whole service LCA, carbon calculator development:** resource streams still to be confirmed but SK will keep the committee updated.
- **Holborn declaration:** MH met with UKKA re: 2024 conference, want to be marker for other conferences re: sustainability and UKKA keen to do this.

### SKC webpage

No update

### Social media, programme comms

In addition to run-in work for UKKW, Group scholar bios and KI editorial to be posted / re-posted.

### Scholars 2023-24

SK working to pull documentation together to look for resource for new intake. FM highlighted some of the challenges the scholars have faced, primarily around not having protected time for work. Green wards schemes have often worked better in past because mentoring is more structured in a shorter period which makes it easier to sustain momentum.

#### **GREEN-K**

MH updated – representation now from ASN and ERA. Concern that things are progressing slowly

#### **Devolved nations**

EM: no updates

#### **Greener NHS**

MP sent apologies – to review at next meeting

#### **Research update**

JP sent apologies – to review at next meeting

#### **AOB**

- FA highlighted that the SHC carbon calculator will be launched on June 13<sup>th</sup> – would be grateful if committee members could share within their networks.
- MH noted Gareth Murcutt’s bid to remove 1:34 acid conc preps from Fresenius’ suite of consumables but needing clinical backing to do so (**AP**: SK to invite Gareth Murcutt to present at next meeting)
- SK noted a high level focus on high level targets, tops tips, RSTP, etc., but encouraged committee members – particularly those representing specialty groups – to table their own proposals for committee review and potential backing
- SK proposed a “Flight Free Nephrology 2024” campaign to complement sustainable conferences work, described, above. No objections, raised (**AP**: SK to explore)

Next meeting: Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June, 2-3:30pm

#### **Actions**

<b>AP1</b>	<b>Finalise, disseminate top 12 tips</b>	<b>All</b>
<b>AP2</b>	<b>Develop 23/24 resourcing document – project manager for procurement WS, group scholars programme 23/24</b>	<b>SK</b>
<b>AP3</b>	<b>Re-circulate materials on unit sustainability champions</b>	<b>UKKA Sec</b>
<b>AP4</b>	<b>Add sustainability map to agenda for next meeting</b>	<b>SK</b>
<b>AP5</b>	<b>Present summary of LIFE RESYTAL at September meeting</b>	<b>SK</b>
<b>AP6</b>	<b>Publicise 13<sup>th</sup> June ICHD carbon calculator launch</b>	<b>All</b>
<b>AP7</b>	<b>Invite Gareth Murcutt to discuss withdrawal of 1:34 acid concs by Fresenius</b>	<b>SK</b>
<b>AP8</b>	<b>Explore Flight Free Nephrology 2024</b>	<b>SK</b>