

SCOTTISH CT SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP
MEETING: MONDAY 4TH OF OCTOBER 2021

PRESENT: Louisa Armstrong (Chairperson), Lynsey Hannah (Secretary), Carolynn Wells, Jennifer Hamilton, Lorna Cunningham, Jen Stewart, Dot Robinson

NES PROJECT: Jennifer Hamilton has been working with NES on the back of thrombectomy service to standardise scan quality on CTA scans. The audit focuses on acute patients and the radiologist is asked to complete an audit form while reporting the scans. This allows for a spreadsheet to be formed to see where areas can be improved. Currently being carried out at DCN but more volunteers are needed to pilot study and take forward to SCIN. Can be carried out at individual centres and only a small scan number is required. Please get in touch if interested.

STUDY DAY: It is hoped a live thrombectomy study day will be arranged. Date to be confirmed.

CTC: Fiona Hawke and Joanne McBarron are working on a large project for STRP. There has been a rough frame work released and training programme which was asked if the CT SIG group would like to take responsibility for. It was the general consensus that the restart of CTC lists and the backlog of waiting times should take priority and once these are suffice it would then be better to assess further training needs. It was suggested that it may sit better with NHS Academy on the SCIN area of the website as opposed to CT SIG. There was an action to take this forward with Camilla.

WEIGHT BASED CONTRAST: RCR change on standard adult scanning and weight based contrast administration. There was different ways of conducting this at different sites. Some were using the patients weight and others using BMI. It was thought the BMI approach maybe more workable and a project for BMI vs weight based approach would be useful.

GP DIRECT ACCESS: There is a link on the agenda. Please complete question if possible for SCIN.

? THROMBECTOMY SUB GROUP: Thrombectomy service being rolled out throughout Scotland. Already in place in Edinburgh with good outcomes achieved. As it is a new service with new training needs, pathways etc, it was suggested a sub group would be beneficial to help support and drive this new service in Scotland.

ACTIONS FOR NEXT MEETING

- CTC training project to be taken back to SCIN until services back to full running.
- Volunteers for CTA trial study.
- Project for BMI vs WB contrast administration.

The CT SIG group are still looking for a new vice chairperson, please contact Louisa Armstrong LArmstrong@qmu.ac.uk or Lynsey Hannah Lynsey.Hannah@ggc.scot.nhs.uk if interested.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: TBC