

National Hepatitis C Strategies, Action Plans and Guidelines

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Why do we need Strategies, Action plans & Guidelines ?

- What's the problem
- What to do about it
- How to do it
- Permission to do it
- How to measure it is being done
- How to fund it
- Whose responsible

Strategies, Action plans & Guidelines

What Have we got

- Hepatitis C action plan for England
 - Hepatitis C Strategy
 - Getting ahead of the Curve
- Hepatitis C proposed action plan in Scotland
- BSG guidelines
- SIGN hepatitis C guidelines
- NICE & SMC
- National & International clinical and Laboratory guidelines
 - Wales & N.Ireland?

Guidelines

- Good for which or what to use
- Evidence based?
 - Yes
 - limited by available evidence
 - No
 - Lack authority, opinion may be wrong
- Where's the Gap
 - Delivery of therapy

Managed Clinical Networks

- The Panacea
- Political escape pod for post code prescribing
- Excuse for more meetings
- Effective tool for delivering integrated clinical care

What is an MCN

- Producer of local Protocols
- Controller of drug spending
- Restriction of Clinical Practice
- Empty Vessel
- Battle Field
- Tea Party
- Club

In the field of chronic disease management, like in others,

*"No one is big enough to be
independent of the others"*

Dr. William W. Mayo (1819-1911)

A Local MCN for HCV

Link to National Programmes & NHS Board





Audit / Quality control

- Clinical Standard
- Measurable relevant Outcome
- Resources to measure it
- Comparison of Practice to Standard
- Action Plan
- Implementation
- Repeat Audit

Whose Responsible

- England
- PCT & Trust Chief Execs
“should be able to demonstrate....adequate services....”
- Who measures outcome?
- against what ?
- Scotland (proposed)
- Director to be appointed at health Board level reporting to HC APCG
- HPS will host the Hepatitis C APCG reporting to CMO
- Clinicians to set up MCNs
- implementation audited against SIGN guideline

Funding

- Existing resources

How do we do on Strategies, Action plans & Guidelines ?

- What's the problem ✓
- What to do about it ✓
- How to do it X
- Permission to do it ✓
- How to measure it is
being done X
- How to fund it X
- Whose responsible ✓

Do we need any more

- Strategies, Action plans & Guidelines?

- With local enthusiasm Possibly not

 - But if none then yes

 - Audit and Sanction

