Action Points

- **Annual Scientific Meeting**-Dr Bath has been leading the planning and organisation for this meeting with the support of the network office. Plans are all on target.

- **Annual Education Day**-is planned for Stirling Highland Hotel on May 26th 2016. A ‘Save the date’ and registration forms have been circulated to network members who have been asked to disseminate them to general paediatric colleagues and trainees. The network office has also circulated these to education centres in different health boards. Deadline for registration has been extended to mid-February due to the Dunkeld commitment. The programme is aimed at general paediatricians with an interest in endocrinology, trainees and GP’s. Dr Hunter will contact colleagues in various centres to look for clinicians/trainees to present cases. The programme still has some sight changes to be agreed before finalising.

- **Learn-Pro** Dr Schulga has been having discussions with colleagues from Learn-Pro about developing on-line learning modules using the materials developed at the GH training workshops a few years ago. The aim would be to turn these into a learn-pro training package. He has discussed this proposal with NNMS who are very interested in supporting this idea, especially as it will be targeting a non-specialist audience. They are currently looking at sources of funding for this proposal. Learn-pro is hosted off local intranet sites, available nationally and is an online learning resource. It has the ability to monitor who has used the packages and who has not, as well as measuring individual performance of those using the module. The system is open to primary and secondary care. Edinburgh, Lanarkshire and Grampian at least are boards that currently use this for various training. The marketing of this tool will be very important in getting peoples interest in the endocrine package. Objectives need to be set from the beginning and have a certificate for people on completion. Dr Hunter will liaise with Dr Schulga regarding this.

- **Regional Educational Sessions**-the SPEG Education Strategy included the delivery of educational sessions in each region to clinicians including those not directly involved in delivering endocrine services. The west region have initiated sessions which would be hosted by district general hospitals. They would be rotated every six months around each region. The first of these education sessions was held in Lanarkshire on 17/09/15. Amalia has organised a small session in Shetland when she is there for a clinic. Lothian currently provide this education at lunchtime when they do their joint outreach clinics. They currently provide these to Tayside, Fife, Borders and Dumfries and Galloway. There was discussion regarding the objectives of these additional sessions in each region. Given the considerable workloads that all regions are under some members felt that we should secure existing education opportunities before further developments.

- **Nurse Education – LNA/ developing education programme** LNA developed by Barbara Wardhaugh and Jacquie Reid. In addition to SPEG nurses with an interest in endocrinology, target audience are community nurses, school nurses, neonatal nurses and general paediatric nurses. Questionnaire sent to all nursing directors in the health board areas who were requested to disseminate the survey to these groups of staff. Results were discussed at the Nurses sub-group meeting and will be reported as part of that update.

- **Future Educational Developments** - The group felt that the focus should be on promoting the education that is already available and get more people interested. Suggestions included each centre providing a list of endocrine education that is provided/available and advertising/promoting this through the SPEG website and newsletter. Other suggestions included having a joint education day with the other networks every couple of years. Dr Hunter will look at this.

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