



## **WRSC AGM25/6/19**

### **St James University Hospital, Leeds**

**Present:** Matt Lee, Peter Coe, Olivia Spence, Paul Williams, Agnes Burns, NadiraKahar, Adele Sayers, Victoria Proctor, Josh Burke, Daniel Ashmore, Timothy O'Connor

**Apologies:** Adam Peckham-Cooper, Will Bolton, VenlaKantola, Candice Downey

#### **Agenda:**

##### **1) Constitution**

- Updated and sent around prior to meeting – all agreed

##### **2) New committee positions:**

Chair – Pete Coe

Vice Chair – Josh Burke

Secretary – Olivia Spence

Webmaster/Social media manager – Daniel Ashmore

#### **Priorities for future:**

- Increase consultant support
- Encourage involvement of junior members (trainees, foundation doctors, medical students)
- Growth of the WRSC and further recognition nationally

##### **3) AUGMENT (Acute management of ankle fractures)– update presented by Matt Lee**

- Data on >1000 patients collected
- Interesting finding - if orthopaedic surgeon performs initial ankle fracture reduction then there is a reduced chance of requiring further surgical intervention
- Presented at CST trainees day on 17/6/19
- Further analysis still to go

##### **4) MASH (Management of acutely symptomatic hernia)– update presented by Vicky Proctor**

- Protocol has been distributed and feedback received
- Still in draft format – further comments welcomed
- Aiming for 80 centres, ideally signed up by October
- £2000 funding grant – mostly go towards administration
- Aiming to submit for ethics later this month
- Aiming to set up towards December/January

#### **Actions:**

- Promoting at ACP next week and hopefully ASGBI/BHS
- Josh will include an advert in the trainee bulletin (Adele/Vicky to send 200 word summary about project to Josh)
- Steering group meeting Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July

## **5) MACHO (Management of acute cholecystitis) - update**

- Leeds, Manchester, Hull, Doncaster, Sheffield signed up. Sheffield has started entering data on RedCap.

Actions:

- Protocol needs to be resubmitted at Leeds as initially rejected by Caldicott Guardian
- Adele to send out updated protocol with codes

## **6) INDICES – presented by Tim O'Connor**

- Academic foundation trainee research project looking into nutrition in emergency surgical patients.
- Pilot study – aiming to recruit 100 patients
- Observational prospective cohort study of patients admitted as emergencies to surgical assessment unit who then go on to have laparotomy within 7 days
- Assesses acute malnutrition in peri-operative period and impact on outcomes
- Sheffield and Doncaster signed up. Keen to run elsewhere in region/country. Ideally 10+ sites.

Actions:

- Would like to run this research project with support of the WRSC.
- Plan is to run in December/January.

## **7) SUNFLOWER**

- 1300 patients between now and 2022 across 60 sites
- Leeds, Huddersfield, Hull, Sheffield set up. Ideally trainees rotating around can continue recruiting patients and collecting data.

Actions:

- New members need to do GCP training in order to take part. Free online GCP course run by NIHR can be accessed via <https://www.nihr.ac.uk/our-research-community/clinical-research-staff/learning-and-development/national-directory/good-clinical-practice/our-courses/>

## **8) Other business**

- Dan to upload committee bio's to twitter/website
- Matt will continue as link for RedCap
- Partnership between WRSC and STC – consider what we would want from them and discuss at next meeting
- Ensure promo slot at School of Surgery Conference
- Need volunteers to speak about WRSC at CST bootcamp and ST3 induction
- Olivia to set up committee WhatsApp group
- New website now up and running: [www.wrsc-info.com](http://www.wrsc-info.com)
- Next meeting end of August/early September