

**SECTION 3: PRESCRIBING MANAGEMENT GROUP AND SUBGROUPS**

**SECTION 3.5: MENTAL HEALTH PRESCRIBING MANAGEMENT GROUP (PMG:MH)**

**OBJECTIVE:**

- To ensure safe, cost-effective, quality and consistent prescribing practice across Mental Health Services (MHS) within NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde (GGC).

**REMIT:**

- Supporting the generation and implementation of prescribing guidelines, policies and procedures.
- Advising and reporting on medicines use including prescribing trends and cost effectiveness.
- Predicting the impact of new medicines and treatments on the systems and budget of GGC MHS and HSCPs.
- Reporting on medicines use to the GGC Prescribing Management Group.
- Liaising with appropriate medicines governance groups.
- Ensuring effective governance of medicines use by utilising quality improvement activities, audit and research.
- Supporting quality improvement activities, audit and research in prescribing and medicine use.
- Providing education on prescribing issues and medicine use.
- Communicating key priorities and activities of PMG:MH.
- Promoting input and support from a wide range of stakeholders.

**RELATIONSHIPS/COMMUNICATION:**

**NHS GGC**

- Deputy Medical Director, MHS.
- Mental Health Clinical Governance
- Mental Health, Addictions and Learning Disability Services,
- Mental Health Prescribing Advisory Committee.
- Mental Health Safer Use of Medicines Group
- Area Drug and Therapeutics Committee and sub-groups
- Primary Care Prescribing Management Group
- Pharmacy and Prescribing Support Unit
- Primary Care and Mental Health Interface Group

**External**

- SMC, SIGN, NICE, HIS, NES, POMH, RCPsych, BAP, MWC, NHS Scotland National Procurement

**STRUCTURE:**

- The Chair of the PMG:MH will report to the Chair of the board-wide Prescribing Management Group and the Deputy Medical Director, MHS.

**ACCOUNTABILITY:**

- NHS GGC Mental Health Clinical Governance Group

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#### MEMBERSHIP:

- Clinical Director, PMG:MH (Chair)
- Clinical Effectiveness Pharmacist, MHS (Secretary)
- Geographic representation from general adult consultant psychiatrists
- Representative consultant psychiatrist from psychiatric sub-specialities including Old-Age Psychiatry, Forensic MH, Learning Disabilities, CAMHS, Addictions
- Representatives from psychiatry higher trainees
- Lead Clinical Pharmacists, MHS
- Prescribing Governance and Interface Pharmacist
- Antidepressant Specialist Pharmacist
- Lead Pharmacist for Medicines Management Resources
- Non-medical Prescribing Lead
- Representation from HSCP Heads of Mental Health
- Mental Health Clinical Policy Manager
- Senior nursing representation
- Clinical Lead for Mental Health Redesign

#### FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS:

- Full Group: bi-monthly

#### DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES:

- via email to all PMG:MH members
- to Mental Health Clinical Governance, Prescribing Management Group and Primary Care Prescribing Management Group on request.