

## SECTION 2: AREA DRUG AND THERAPEUTICS COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEES

### SECTION 2.3: UTILISATION, EDUCATION AND PRACTICE SUBCOMMITTEE (MUE)

#### ROLE:

The Utilisation, Education and Practice Subcommittee of the Area Drug and Therapeutics Committee (ADTC) manages the evaluation of medicines utilisation data in the local population. The overall aim is to ensure good quality prescribing including the cost-effective use of medicines in NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde.

#### TERMS OF REFERENCE:

The Utilisation, Education and Practice Subcommittee will:

- monitor adherence to the drug formulary
- develop systems to target and report non-formulary prescribing
- evaluate utilisation data to review prescribing trends
- co-ordinate and lead a programme of clinical effectiveness activity
- develop innovative strategies to promote quality and cost-effective use of medicines
- utilise technology to develop the use and effectiveness of the drug formulary
- maintain, develop and promote the NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde Therapeutics Handbook as a reference source of treatment guidance/ protocols for the optimal use of medicines
- liaise with Communications subcommittee to convey feedback on prescribing to practitioners
- develop educational material for a range of health professionals utilising technology where appropriate
- review relevant GGC Therapeutic guidelines and approve on behalf of ADTC.
- support the development of systems to publish and publicise GGC approved guidelines and protocols.
- monitor use of unlicensed medicines
- encourage participation in the "Yellow Card" reporting scheme

#### EXECUTIVE AND MEMBERSHIP:

- Hospital Prescribing Advisor (chair)
- Representation from at least 2 of directorates:
  - Emergency Care & Medical Services
  - Rehabilitation & Assessment
  - Mental Health
  - Surgery & Anaesthetics
  - Women & Children's Health
  - Regional Services
- General Practitioners
- Nursing representative
- Pharmacy & Prescribing Support Unit
  - Acute services
  - Medicines Information/Formulary Lead
  - Medicines Education Pharmacist
  - Public Health
  - Primary Care Prescribing Advisor
  - Lead Pharmacist Clinical Effectiveness
  - Pharmacist responsible for Therapeutics Handbook

#### FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS:

Two monthly

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Area Drug and Therapeutics Committee

**DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES:**

- Chair of Area Drug and Therapeutic Committee
- Chair of Formulary and New Drugs Subcommittee
- CHP Prescribing Leads
- Lead Hospital and Primary Care Pharmacists
- Chair of Communications Subcommittee