Minutes of the Clinical Librarian/ Trainers Group Meeting
Held on 24th June 2019 at
Stepping Hill Hospital, Stockport

PRESENT	Linda Taylor (LT - Chair), Rebecca Roylance (RR – co-chair), John Gale (JG – co-chair), Vicki Ferri, Eva Thackeray, Rosalind McNally, Tracey Owen, Tim Jacobs, Graham Breckon, Vicky Bramwell, Amy Clancy, Stephen Edwards, Peta Jones, Laura Russell, Amanda Balaam, Cath Harris, Katie Nicolas
IN ATTENDANCE	Gil Young, Chris Mimnagh, Deborah Raven
APOLOGIES	Michael Reid, Pippa Orr, Glenda Morris, Yvonne Stubbington, Oliva Schaff, Megan Benson, Caroline Timothy, Janet Reed, Holly Cook, Jane Roberts, Rebecca Stansfield

NO	MINUTES	ACTION
	MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING The minutes of the previous Clinical Librarian/Trainers meeting were accepted as a true record.	
1	**MATTERS ARISING AND ACTION LOG** LT reminded the group of the hashtag for the group for Twitter **#nwclt** LT stated the actions from the previous meeting were complete	
2	**Communities of Practice and remote working online GP service** Dr Chris Mimnagh delivered a presentation around communities of practice, the different ways they communicate with each, and what they need to be successful. It was discussed how it may useful to look at the most viewed resources, websites, to gain knowledge about users. Chris then went on to share his experience working for a virtual GP service, and how there are challenges when GPs have never met, they	

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	may lack implicit knowledge about healthcare services if they are helping a patient in another area. He talked about the use of the platform Slack as a mechanism for asking questions, sharing good practice and then people know what is going on the various areas. He highlighted how it is important to still have 'real world' events with communities of practice. Chris said you are welcome to contact him via Twitter if you have any questions @ChrisMimnagh	
3	**Sharing Searches and LIHNN Clinical Librarians MOOC** Gil Young informed the group that the LIHNN Clinical Librarians MOOC is in the process of being adapted to e-learning and would soon be available. Gil also announced that the platform for sharing searches is now available. She asked the group for searches to populate it and asked for searches to be sent to her to add initially, but the process will then be handed over to others for upload. You can share the strategy or the whole search and Gil is also looking for volunteers to be involved in the uploading of searches going forward. Please email Gil Young if you are interested. **ACTION** Group members to email Gil Young examples of searches. **ACTION** Anyone willing to support the sharing of searches to contact Gil.	ALL
4	**Communities of Practice - Discussion** A group discussion took place around experiences of communities of practice (CoP). It was mentioned that IT skills can be barrier when setting up and running CoPs, with many NHS staff still lacking IT skills. The technology you use to manage a CoP is not as important as the community itself. Other key points were how the engagement of the group is the key to the success of a CoP, they need to be invested in the group and recognise why it is important and how it benefits them. CoPs require people to volunteer to co-ordinate the group which can be difficult. It is also important that the group still physically meet. It was commented that it can vary what the group needs from contributions from group members to simply sharing up to date information.	
5	**Finding Health Statistics** Deborah Raven presented on NHS Digital and how it works to make sure that data is fit for purpose and help to ensure the same data is not being duplicated by more than one group. She talked about how NHS Digital has a list of data that is approved, but a lot of data from Public health England does not come through these channels. National and official statistics are signposted on gov.uk in the research and	

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	statistics section. The Government Statistics Service (GSS) links to places where you can find statistics and the types of data you will find there. Deborah stressed the importance of being very clear about who is responsible for producing/analysing the statistics and acknowledging that when reusing them.	
6	**Working from Home** John Gale presented his findings from his literature search on working from home. He covered the pros and cons, who tends to benefit from working from home, and how to make working from home a success.	
7	**Working from home and supporting remote users– Group Discussion** People shared their experiences of working from home, how they can often feel guilty, prefer being in the office, feel pressured to prove the production of work. It was discussed how it can be useful if there are childcare issues, or snow. It was then discussed how we support remote users, how they have a blog and links on the website to everything they need, they send books out, and just generally make sure information is accessible.	
6	**AOB** LT announced she will be stepping down as chair and asked for volunteers to be the next co-chair to email Beccy Roylance rebecca.roylance@edgehill.ac.uk BR thanked Linda for her time as chair and for all her hard work. LT thanked all the presenters, attendees, co-chairs, and Stockport for their hospitality. LT reminded the group to send in any suggestions for future sessions. She also reminded the group if anybody would like to present at the meeting to help prepare for presenting at a conference, to get in touch with one of the co-chairs. Rosalind McNally requested the opportunity to rehearse a conference session at the next meeting. The date and location of the next meeting will be 27th Sep – Preston, Seminar Room 4 (EC1). **ACTION** Group to send suggestions for future meetings to the co-chairs **ACTION** Anyone willing to volunteer as co-chair to contact BR	ALL

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