

**ABCD Academic Sub Committee Meeting  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2023  
5:30pm – 6:30pm  
MINUTES**

**Present**

Ketan Dhatariya (KD)  
Mark Evans (ME)  
Ben Field (BF)  
Iksander Idris (II)

Claire Harris (CH)  
Parth Narendran (PN)  
Katherine Owen (KO)  
Emma Wilmot (EW)

**Apologies:**

Steve Bain (SB)  
Petra Hanson (PH)  
Rajna Golubic (RG)

**1. Welcome.**

PN welcomed all the meeting and noted apologies from SB, PH and RG.

**2. Review of Minutes from last meeting and matters arising**

The minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> July 2023 were approved as being an accurate and true reflection of the proceedings.

**3. Diabetes Update**

DP reported that all speakers had been confirmed for all the workshops except for *Lipids and diabetes* which Kate Shipman has been invited to speak at. He advised that abstract submissions have been opened with a deadline of 15<sup>th</sup> November with abstract marking by the workshop facilitators to take place between 15<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> November. DP confirmed that he was meeting with Vijay Jayagopal on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October to discuss the financials. He reported on the low number of sponsors for the event so far and RHI is continuing to promote the event. DP advised that meetings would take place with the workshop facilitators during the first 15 days of November to explain to them the expectations of the workshops and guide them on the structure and how to organise their sessions. He added that the Diabetes Update Committee discussed creating a hard copy booklet with abstracts and key summaries for workshops and a decision would need to be made on this soon.

**4. Podcasts**

PN reported that he has spoken to PH who confirmed that each podcast would cost £250. The committee agreed that a podcast programme should be developed to deliver monthly podcasts for a defined period (perhaps a year) to start to build up an audience. It was suggested that topics could be expanded outside of the mentoring theme for example each of the speakers from Diabetes update to have a 15- or 20-minute conversation with PH in a relaxed fashion around a specialist topic area. PN reported that he and PH had been considering “Desert Island Discs” podcasts but there were concerns expressed by the committee about royalties and extra costs for obtaining a music licence. It was agreed that PH could begin the podcast project and KD would discuss the podcast programme with PH in more detail.

Item	Responsible	Action	Timeline
4	PH	Start to develop a podcast programme	10 <sup>th</sup> November 2023

4.1	KD	discuss the podcast programme with Petra in more detail.	10 <sup>th</sup> November 2023
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## 5. Curriculum Change

BF reported that the curriculum re write by SACC was completed and approved last year and therefore the opportunity to influence the research area would arise in a couple of years. The committee debated what recommendations ABCD should make to improve the research experience for trainees. It was proposed that findings from critical literature reviews and service evaluation should be presented at national meetings along with collation of best practise from other organisations. BF confirmed that he would explore research considerations in the curriculums of other specialties and circulate these to the committee with list of possible additions to the diabetes curriculum for discussion with the committee. It was highlighted that trainees must be involved in this work and suggested that the membership should be asked about what research support they feel they need from the curriculum.

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5	BF	Explore research considerations in the curriculums of other specialties and circulate these to the committee with list of possible additions to the diabetes curriculum for discussion with the committee.	10 <sup>th</sup> November 2023

## 6. Any other business

PN updated the committee on the EASD meeting. KD advised that he, Dipesh Patel and Alistair Lamb spoke to Stefano DelPrato and CEO responsible for producing Educational materials around Europe about how to improve Diabetes education in Europe and confirmed that Dipesh will be working on developing an international arm of ABCD to develop and promote diabetes education for trainees in Europe.