

Review of the role of Link Nurses in HSC Trusts in Northern Ireland

11th May 2017

11am-1pm

ACTION NOTES

Present:-

Moira Mannion, BHSCT (Chair)
 Lorna Lawther, NIPEC (Project Lead)
 Sally Lynch, SHSCT Palliative care Specialist Nurse
 Jayne Carson, SEHSCT Tissue Viability Specialist Nurse
 Majella Doran, CEC Senior Education Manager
 Rose McHugh, PHA Nurse Consultant
 Laurence Leonard, QUB Lecturer

Apologies:-

Gary Cousins (FSHC)

Agenda item/ reference number	Action to be taken	Action by
1	<i>Background to the project</i> Additional information to be added to PID on pre-2012 literature on role of Link Nurses	LLawther
2	<i>Project plan:</i> <i>Aims and objectives</i> <i>Conduct a scoping exercise:</i> Initial scoping work by Cathy McCusker (NIPEC) to be circulated and project members to feedback to project lead their opinions on: strengths, weaknesses, additional questions to be included	LL circulate template Project Group Members: comments to LLawther by 30 th June

3	<i>Project plan Aims and Objectives Review the key functions of the Link Nurse including education and training</i>	Circulate structure and content of Link Nurse education module discussed by Majella Doran	LLawther by 31 st May
		Review of UU module for Link Nurses and consider how this might contribute to the recommendations of this project	Project group members by 31 st July
4	<i>Project plan Aims and objectives Review the literature:</i> Read the literature review and RCN (2012) document and make comments.		Project Group members: comments to LLawther by 28 th July 17
5	<i>Project plan Aims and objectives Review the perception of specialist nurses and ward managers of the Link Nurse role:</i> Conduct informal discussions with work colleagues Read the NIPEC document: ¹		Project Group members by 28 th July 17
6	<i>Project Plan Project Initiation Document(PID)</i> Review the draft PID and send comments to LLawther prior to next meeting		Project Group members by 28 th July 17
7	<i>Any other business:</i> Group membership Representation to be sought from additional Trade Unions: Unison, RCM Representation from all Trusts to be followed up to include Mental health and Children's nursing: WHSCT & NHSCT		LLawther
8	Date of next meeting 10 th August 2017 Meeting Room NIPEC 11am-1pm		

¹http://www.nipec.hscni.net/download/projects/current_work/promote_profdevelopment/develop_a_career_framework_for_specialist_practice_nurses/documents/DraftInterimcareer-frameworkfor-Specialist-Practice-NursingMar2017.pdf

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