



Dear Colleagues,

Re: Nominating a Unit / Departmental / Clinical Network “contact person” for CSG and Clinical Affairs

We would like to invite you all to nominate a “contact person” on behalf of your Unit / Department / Clinical Network, for CSG and Clinical Affairs.

The CSG is interested in hearing from anyone who would like to contribute ideas to its strategy development, specific projects or to respond to its initiatives. We warmly encourage anyone to respond to questions or get involved to do so. **We are particularly interested in knowing how units / departments / clinical networks react to a given question.** This could be to study prioritisation, feasibility, comment on proposed study ideas / design etc..

While continuing to inform and invite anyone to respond, a “CSG contact person” allows you to respond as a unit / department (saving individual time). It also allows the CSG to know more clearly the opinion and consensus from the team you work with regarding a given topic. Just as the work of the CSG is multi-disciplinary, we welcome multi-disciplinary responses.

In close collaboration with Karen Davies, recently appointed Chair of BSPAR Clinical Affairs Sub-Committee, a similar “contact person” will at times also facilitate communication between the Sub-Committee and units / departments / clinical networks. To this end, we felt we could use this CSG initiative to also **invite you to nominate if you would like a contact person for the Clinical Affairs Committee, which may be the same or different person.**

If you would like to do this, please copy, paste and fill in the following form, sending it to: laura.pilkington@liverpool.ac.uk; or myself: m.w.beresford@liverpool.ac.uk

Unit “CSG contact person”

Name:
Email:
Telephone:
Role:
Name of Unit / Department / Clinical Network:

Clinical Affairs “contact person”

Same as above: Y / N If not same, then:

Name:
Email:
Telephone:
Role:
Name of Unit / Department / Clinical Network:

If you’d like to do this, the CSG would be grateful if you could do this at your earliest convenience as the CSG is seeking feedback on key strategic questions very shortly.

As outlined on the CSG webpages (see below), each of the topic-specific groups of the CSG have people on the CSG who act as a link between the CSG and anyone interested in that area of the CSG’s activity. We would therefore warmly invite any of you who would like, to be in touch directly with them via the following links, which you can do either as an individual or on behalf of your unit / department (please state):

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As you will have noted from regular e-circular updates I've sent to all BSPAR members and presentations I've made at the BSPAR AGM and Research Day, the MCRN/**arc** Paediatric Rheumatology CSG seeks to keep all stakeholders informed of our activities. In addition we continue to write to all BSPAR Members regularly asking for comment and feedback on specific questions that have arisen, inviting ideas, suggestions, priorities, and participation in developing the CSG's research agenda. I draw your attention once again to the webpages (both on the BSPAR, MCRN and **arc** sites) and previous letters to BSPAR members posted on the BSPAR webpage for your convenience.

Yours sincerely



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