Election Results

The BASHH AGM was held on 8 January 2016 at the RSM, London and the results were as follows:

Dr Elizabeth Carlin - President
Prof Jonathan Ross - Vice President
Dr Raj Patel - Treasurer
Dr Jan Clarke - Immediate Past President
Dr Liz Foley - Board General Secretary
Dr Alan Tang - Board CGC Chair
Dr Jackie Sherrard - Board EC Chair
Dr Margaret Kingston - Fellow to the Board
Dr Jillian Pritchard - Fellow to the Board
Dr Liat Sarner - Fellow to the Board
Dr Mohamed Ghanem - CGC Oxford
Dr Sarah Mensforth - CGC DIT Representative

The following have been co-opted to the Board:
Dr Mark Lawton - Board Media Representative
Dr Craig Tipple - Patient and Public Representative

BASHH BSIG Scientific Meeting 2016
Friday 18th March 2016
The King’s Fund, Cavendish Square, London
13.00 – 17.30pm
The Cervicovaginal Microbiome, Bacterial Vaginosis and a Career Devoted to Improving Sexual Health
Chair: Michael Perry

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BASHH Conference 2016 - Abstract Submission
Deadline - 18 March 2016

The 2016 BASHH conference will be held in Oxford at the University of Oxford’s Examination Schools in the centre of the town from Sunday 10th July – Tuesday 12th July. Dr Jackie Sherrard is the local host and together with Dr Daniel Richardson and the BASHH conference team has planned a fantastic educational and networking conference.

Abstracts of a maximum of 250 words in the area of sexual health (including contraception) and HIV abstracts can be submitted for consideration of either oral or poster presentation from now until the 18th March 2016 on line via the BASHH website. Case reports and undergraduate abstracts (where the undergraduate is the first author) are very welcome and there will be specific session for these.

Click here to submit your abstract

For further information please visit the BASHH website www.bashh.org

BASHH Cathy Harman Prize

You are invited to send in nominations for the annual Cathy Harman Prize. Details are on the BASHH website and the closing date is noon 14th March 2016. The award and short presentation will be made at the Spring meeting in July. Any queries, please contact Kate Day
Nurse Rep k.day@nhs.net
BASHH Newsletter

BASHH News

Success in ACCEA awards
BASHH would like to congratulate the following members who were recently successful in the 2015 ACCEA awards.

Bronze
Dr Margaret Kingston
Dr Kaveh Manavi
Prof Judith Stephenson

Silver
Dr David Asboe
Dr Anton Pozniak

Gold
Dr Janet Wilson

8th Meeting of the European Society for Chlamydia Research, Oxford 6-9th September 2016

The organising committee would like to invite you to The Eighth Meeting of the European Society for Chlamydia Research. The meeting will be held in Oxford's Town Hall, England on 6th - 9th September 2016.

Chlamydia researchers and students are all welcome and invited to submit abstracts.

We are delighted to host this meeting in the UK for the first time. It will be a high quality scientific research meeting concluding with a clinical day (in association with BASHH) which will provide an update by international experts on the natural history, pathogenesis, screening, diagnosis and management of chlamydial infections.

The scientific programme will provide the opportunity to present the latest advances in the field and to exchange ideas with many outstanding scientists working in chlamydial research. The theme for the meeting is “Applying Chlamydia basic science, pathogenesis research and evolving diagnostics to improving control programmes”.

Oxford is famous for its ancient university and its place in English history. It has been established since the 9th century and has been home to royalty and scholars. Oxford is a premier visitor destination in the UK and is known as The City of Dreaming Spires. The city is also a busy cosmopolitan centre with rapid transport links to London.

Click here for further information and we look forward to welcoming you to Oxford.

National Child Sexual Exploitation Awareness Day 18th March

The National Child Sexual Exploitation Awareness Day aims to highlight the issues surrounding Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) encouraging everyone to think, spot and speak out against abuse and adopt a zero tolerance to adults developing inappropriate relationships with children and children forming inappropriate sexual relationships with their peers.

Please help promote awareness within your area of work and network by reminding colleagues about the Spotting the Signs proforma and that young people involved with CSE can present to any area of healthcare. You may want to hold a training day or just email colleagues about this article. Click here see also click here

Anonymous partner notification made easy

A new partner notification (PN) tool has been launched that is health care worker initiated and verified. It supports provider & patient led PN strategies using mobile numbers and emails to communicate to both index patient and partners. All communication is linked in this cloud-based tool by unique codes and partners are supported by SXT to find a local level 3 services. Each unique code can be unlocked via www.sxt.org.uk/pn. A flyer has been created that show how this tool can support services to deliver optimal PN and measure the impact of this important work in real-time [flyer at http://bit.ly/1RmWQ4n].
Help wanted

Adolescent specialist interest group
The Adolescent specialist interest group is looking for new members particularly those with a nursing, health advising or allied specialty background. If you are currently working with young people within sexual health and are looking to contribute to their wider sexual health agendas, please send your expression of interest to Dr Dawn Wilkinson
dawn.wilkinson@imperial.nhs.uk

STI journal - seeking new editor
Sexually Transmitted Infections is recruiting for a new Editor-in-Chief from 2017. A job description and application details are available at http://sti.bmj.com/site/misc/STIEditoradvertJan2016.pdf.

SURVEY: Use of “Spotting the Signs” proforma for identification of child sexual exploitation (CSE)
We would like to invite you to respond to the “Spotting the Signs” review survey.

The child sexual exploitation (CSE) proforma, Spotting the Signs was launched in 2014 to help health professionals across the UK identify young people attending sexual health services who may be at risk of or experiencing sexual exploitation.

We are keen to know how it is being used within services providing sexual and reproductive healthcare for young people. Please follow the link to participate in the survey, the closing date for responses 31st March.

With thanks
Kimberley Forbes & Selena Singh (on behalf of the BASHH Adolescent Specialist Interest group)

Calling BASHH Nurse Members
I am the Nurse Rep to the Board. Please contact me with any issues you would like me to bring up or anything you think I might be able to help with.

Kate Day
k.day@nhs.net
07831 127192

Withdrawal of Specialty Locum Appointment for Training (LAT) posts in England
Vin 2014 Health Education England formed a working group to explore the use of LAT posts in England. The group made a recommendation that LAT appointments should cease in England from 2016.

Following this recommendation, Health Education England created a Task and Finish Group to implement withdrawal of LAT appointments in 2016. This letter confirms that LAT appointments will cease from 1 January 2016 in England. Existing LAT training offers made in 2015 will continue until cessation of initial appointment.

Santé Project Web-survey
The Santé project aims to synthesize existing evidence and practices on behavioural interventions in sexual health settings, so as a provider of sexual health services your views are really important to us.

We would be very grateful if you could complete a brief web-survey which should take no more than 10 minutes, about your current clinical practices:

If you have any questions, or would like further information, please contact the study coordinator Carina King (c.king@ucl.ac.uk).

Thank you very much for your time!
Events and Training

Trans Health Matter Conference 2016

cliniQ, the UK’s only trans led sexual health and wellbeing service is hosting a 3rd national conference, Trans Health Matters. This is the first event in the UK to specifically address issues of sexual health, HIV and trans populations. It will include a range of speakers, and will be host to the UK launch of WHO’s Trans Implementation Tool, as well as addressing current issues, including updates from Public Health England concerning trans HIV surveillance, PEP and PrEP.

The event will be held at the Coin Street Neighbourhood Centre on April 26th. For more info see: www.cliniQ.org.uk

LAST CALL! STIF COMPETENCY TRAIN THE TRAINER WORKSHOP –Friday 18 March

The next STIF Competency Train the Trainer Workshop is being held on Friday 18 March from 0930 – 13.00 at Kings Fund, prior to the BASHH Scientific meeting. Registration fee is £65.00. Please register here:

This workshop is recommended for GUM medical and nurse consultants, SAS doctors and clinical nurse specialists involved in training and assessing doctors and nurses within their own departments. Providing practical information and guidance about running the STIF Competency training and assessment programmes and how to use the assessment tools, attendance at the workshop is a requirement for STIF Competency Trainer registration.

ADVANCE NOTICE: BASHH Annual Conference for SAS Doctors Working in Sexual Health

The 19th BASHH Annual conference for SAS Doctors Working in Sexual Health is to be held on 9th and 10th September 2016 at Warwick University.

Please hold this date for this popular educational conference aimed at SAS doctors working in sexual Health.

Online registration, abstract submission and conference programme will be available on the BASHH website in April, click here for more information.

If you are an SAS Doctor please consider submitting an abstract for consideration for an oral presentation at the conference. We are looking for original papers/audits/interesting cases submitted by SAS doctors.

BASHH STI/HIV Modules

This course covers the in depth knowledge of STIs, HIV and their management. It is highly recommended for those who intend to sit the Diploma in GU Medicine and Diploma in HIV Medicine exams. It is modular enabling applicants to attend some or all of the modules.

The dates for 2016 are:
May 9-13 (Module 1/2 – STIs and bacterial infections, sexual health and sexuality)
November 7-11 (Module 3/4 – HIV and other viral infections)

BSSVD National Biennial Scientific Meeting, March 2016

The British Society for the Study of Vulval Disease (BSSVD) is unique as national society in that its membership comprises GUM physicians, Dermatologists and Gynaecologists. The 2 day scientific biennial conference is being held at the Headland Hotel in Newquay, Cornwall on Thursday 10th and Friday 11th March 2016. Click here for more information

Developing the role of the Sexual Health adviser: University of Brighton

This module will explore current issues in sexual health with relation to the developing role of the sexual health advisor. This will equip students to strengthen their practice with an increased knowledge of potential challenges, enhanced skills and a greater personal and professional self-awareness to more effectively and innovatively meet clients’ sexual health needs. Click here for more information
DIARY DATES

BSSVD National Biennial Scientific Meeting, March 2016
Headland Hotel in Newquay, Cornwall on Thursday 10th and Friday 11th March 2016

BASHH HIV Masterclass - 10th and Friday 11th March 2016
Chancellor's Hotel & Conference Centre | Manchester

BASHH Scientific meeting - 18th March 2016 - No 11, Cavendish Square, London

BASHH STIF Train the Trainer Workshop - 18 March 2016
The King's Fund, 11-13 Cavendish Square, London

Trans Health Matter Conference 2016 - Coin Street Neighbourhood Centre on April 26th

14th Congress - 2nd Global Conference of the European Society of Contraception and Reproductive Health Contraception from molecular biology to social science and politics
Basel, Switzerland 4-7 May 2016 link

Diploma in GU Medicine Revision Course - 7th May 2016 - Manchester Centre for Sexual Health

Microscopy Course for STI's - Saturday 14th May 2016 - Imperial College London,

BASHH Scientific meeting - 17th June 2016 - Manchester Conference Centre

PCS Global Obstetrics and Gynecology Congress - 18 June-19 June 2016
Prague, Czech Public http://www pcscongress com/gogc2016

BASHH Genital Dermatology PLUS Course - 24 June 2016

BASHH Annual Conference 2016, Examination Schools, Oxford 10-12th July 2016

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11th Congress of the European College for the Study of Vulval Disease
15th-17th September 2016 in Turin, Italy www.ecisvd.eu

The deadlines for newsletters in 2016, please make a note in your calendar to ensure that news items are received promptly

23 March
25 May
27 July
28 September
23 November