Notes of MCBK Steering Group Meeting held on 4 November 2020 at 13.00 via MS Teams

Present:

Jeremy Wyatt (JWy)
Philip Scott (PS)
Ben McAlister (BM)
Neil Sebire (NS)
Jonathan Kay (JK)
John Williams (JW)
Andrew Mitchell (AM)
Tom Foley (TF)
Charlie MacKay (CM)
Tito Castillo (TC)
Jan Hoogewerf (JH)

Apologies: Nick Booth (NB), Sue Lacey-Bryant (SL)

1. Welcome

NS was welcomed to the group and introductions were made.

2. Minutes of the meeting held on June

Agreed, with the amendment of the spelling of Charlie MacKay's name.

3. Feedback on actions since last meeting

AM provided an update on discussions with SLB. They agreed a 'call to action' paper setting out next steps and SLB has been working on this.

There had been no further US meetings since our last meeting so no opportunity to follow up on international links, but dates for meetings have just come out and BM plans to attend one on 17 November.

AM and CM have met to discuss coordination across arms length bodies.

NS was asked if he could raise the idea of an HDRUK knowledge strategy again in HDRUK. He agreed to follow up with Alice Turnbull. There was an update on the development of a phenotype library: https://www.hdruk.ac.uk/news/hdr-uk-releases-major-upgrade-to-its-phenotype-library/

Presentations were given at the FCI Scientific Conference in July and the Membership Conference in October. It was noted that there was also a call for presentations for the Scientific Conference 2022. A talk had also been given by PS at the PHCSG annual event.

Actions:

- NS to follow up on the HDRUK Knowledge Strategy idea with Alice Turnbull
- JH to circulate the chat and names of those attending the conference sessions.

4. Planned activities

PS reported on a BCS webinar series on BPM+ starting today.

It was agreed that a record of activities should be added to the public facing website. *Action: JH to update website and add the details of meetings.*

PS is doing a presentation on decision support to the British Society for Anti-Microbial Chemotherapy.

BCS is funding a journalist to support development of a White Paper. A workshop is to be held on 16 December, with BCS support.

Action: All to let PS know whether they can attend the workshop and make suggestions about anyone else to invite.

NICE Content Advisory Board – invitations have gone out to PS and JWy. NICE published its strategy update earlier this year, including how computable guidance is communicated to audiences. AM is leaving NICE, but has suggested that the content advisory board develops a stronger relationship with the MCBK group, including a representative to be nominated by NICE from this group to replace AM. AM was thanked for his valuable contributions to this group.

It was agreed that the group should comment on the MHRA consultation.

5. NHS England opportunity

TF spoke about a conversation with NHS E on learning health systems as they are thinking about impactful areas of initial work. Clinical decision support in secondary care came up as an area of focus and how CDSS can provide a lever for policy implementation.

Suggestions were made for other areas of focus: a library which can be implemented in systems, improving data quality, CDSS issues in primary care (out of date and there have been issues with incorrect implementation of algorithms). A focus on templates in primary care and a route map for secondary care was recommended.

6. Any other business

CM would like to reach out on work that he's doing for Nicholas Oughtibridge. He will email the group for their input.

7. Event planning for 2022 and date of next meeting

It was agreed that an event planning session would after MCBK White Paper workshop on 16 December.

Action: JWy to circulate ideas for discussion at meeting on 16 December.