



Minutes

EAP Winter Meeting - Tertiary Care

Saturday, 8 December 2018 | 08:00-10:00

Attendees: see attached list

1. **Welcome and introduction**

Berthold Koletzko (BK, chair) welcomed all delegates and indicated that the agenda and all documents had been shared electronically in a timely manner prior to the meeting.

2. **Adoption of the agenda**

The agenda was adopted, with the addition of an agenda item on certification of training centres.

3. **Minutes of the Spring Meeting held on 17.05.2018 at Sofia**

The minutes were approved without modifications.

4. **No matters arising from the minutes**

BK reviewed the action points which had been implemented.

5. **Updated European Training Requirements for Paediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition, developed by ESPGHAN (distributed)**

Jiri Zeeman (JZ, Czech Republic) pointed out that the Czech Republic introduced a training duration in Paediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition of only one year, which contrasts to the minimum duration of two years in the previously established as well as the currently proposed updated ETR. He and the group agreed that a minimum of two years is adequate. The chair (BK) agreed to the request of JZ to write a letter to the Czech Paediatric Society to recommend a minimum period of training of two years, which may facilitate a discussion with the National Health Authorities.

Christine Aebi (CA, Switzerland) indicated the need for enabling training in more than one training unit. BK agreed that this option needs to be generally offered for training in all paediatric subspecialties and offered to review the text once more to ensure that no wording is contained which would not be in line with this requirement.

CA also raised the question whether a specific number of endoscopies to be performed should be mandated. The question was discussed and the group agreed to support the proposal of ESPGHAN to demand a certain level of proficiency in endoscopic techniques rather than a certain number of procedures.

BK indicated that minor edits are still needed (sorting of contributors in alphabetical order, addition of references of preceding documents).

The ETR was unanimously adopted by voting.



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6. **New European Training Requirements for Paediatric Emergency Medicine, developed by EUSEM**

Ahmed Soliman (UK) introduced these newly developed ETRs and highlighted the key points as well as the changes introduced since the preceding discussion at the spring meeting.

JZ indicated this subspecialty is not recognised in Czech Republic and raised the question whether adoption of the ETR might result in questioning the ability of general paediatricians to deal with emergencies. There was general agreement that this is not the case, and Peter Hoyer (Germany) emphasized that there is no obligation to implement this ETR at the national level.

In the voting the ETR was adopted with 2 abstentions.

7. **Adoption of Paediatric ETRs at the UEMS Council meeting in April 2018**

The European Board of Paediatrics (EBP) chair Robert Ross Russell (RRR, UK) reported that UEMS had approved the three Paediatric ETRs in Paediatric Rheumatology, Paediatric Allergology and Paediatric Infectious Disease at its meeting in April 2018. These ETRs are now presented on the UEMS website as approved documents.

8. **New European Training Requirements for Paediatric Cardiology, developed by AEP**

No new information has been received. Sylvie di Filippo was not in attendance. BK will follow up.

9. **European Training Requirements for Paediatric Neonatology, developed by ESPR**

The ESPR Charles Röhr submitted a draft in the late evening of 7 Dec. 2018 to BK. Some modification is needed. BK will review in detail and discuss with ESPR, aiming for a revised version to be presented to the Tertiary Care Council at the EAP Spring Meeting in May 2019.

10. **Update of European Training Requirements for Nephrology, developed by EPNS**

Peter Hoyer confirmed that the revision is being prepared. He will contact the EPNS president and ask that the revision is submitted to BK no later than 15 March 2019 so it can be discussed at the Tertiary Care Council at the EAP Spring Meeting in May 2019.

11. **European Training Requirements for Paediatric Neurology, developed by ESPN**

Coriene Catsman Berrevoets (CCB, The Netherlands) reported that ESPN has drafted the ETR and summarised the process and some key points. A mandatory requirement for 6 months training in adult neurology has been proposed. The Tertiary Care Council suggested that a change to 'highly desirable' or similar should be considered. The current time plan is that ESPN aims for final approval of the draft 2 months prior to the EAP Winter Meeting 2019. BK reminded CCB that submission at least to 2 months before the Winter Meeting is required to enable review and potential minor revision prior to sending it out to Tertiary Care Council members, which should occur at least 4 weeks prior to the Winter meeting.



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12. **European Training Requirements for Paediatric Respiratory Health, developed by the Paediatric Section of ERS**

Rafaella Nenna (IT) reported that the ETR is being revised and undergoing a second Delphi round. It is expected to be finalised in February 2019 when it can be submitted to BK to enable discussion in the Tertiary Care Council at the Spring Meeting 2019.

13. **Accreditation of Training Centers**

Peter Hoyer reported on the accreditation visit performed by the Society for the Study of Inborn Errors of Metabolism (SSIEM) to Freiburg and Reutlingen in December 2018, where he participated as the representative of EAP. A detailed report was submitted that recommended accreditation as a joint training centre in the field of paediatric inborn errors of metabolism. BK expressed his full support of the approval, based on an excellent process fulfilling all expectations and a detailed and clear report.

The group unanimously supported approval.

BK will try to create a certificate to be sent to both participating centres.

BK raised the issue that UEMS Charter providing guidance for accreditation of training centers was written in 1997 and is not fully adequate any more. A document defining the EAP approach for accreditation was written in the 2000s by Peter Milla and Max Zach, and an update had been drafted led by Jose Manuel Santos but this was unfortunately not adopted because of interfering health challenges. The group agreed that a working group should be created jointly with the EBP to review these questions and finalise and update a document that provides guidance on accreditation of training centres.

This working group should also explore the option that EAP could award the title of an “EAP Fellow in [paediatric subspecialty]” (working title), based on fulfilment of minimum training requirements at an acknowledged training centre and successful completion of an exam developed by the respective subspecialty society.

14. **Any other business**

All subspecialty societies should review the Common Trunk Curriculum and submit any proposed modifications.

BK thanked all for their active contributions to the meeting and closed the session.



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Action points:

Who	What	When
ESPGHAN & BK	Review and add minor revisions to ESPGHAN ETR	15 Jan 2019
BK	Letter to Czech Ped Soc re training in Ped Gastro Hep Nutr	
BK	Submit final ETRs on Ped Gastro and Ped Emergency Med to EBP for UEMS review	20 Jan 2019
BK	Contact AEPC re development of ETR	15 Jan 2019
BK	Review ETR Neonatology and discuss modifications with ESPR	15 Jan 2019
ESPR	Submit revised ETR Neonatology prior to EAP spring meeting	15 March 19
Peter Hoyer	Contacts EPNS to ask for submission of ETR Paediatr Nephrology to BK no later than 15 March 2019	15 Jan 2019
ESPN	Submit Revised ETR for Pediatric Neurology to BK for possible discussion at the Winter Meeting 2019	1 Oct 2019
Paediatric Section ERS	Submit Revised ETR for Pediatric Respiratory Health to BK for possible discussion at the Spring Meeting 2019	28 Febr 2019
BK/EAP office	Create certificate for accredited training centres and issue for Freiburg/Reutlingen	15 Jan 2019
EBP and Tertiary Care Council	Set up a joint working group to finalise an updated document that provides guidance on accreditation of training centres, and to explore options for awarding the title of an "EAP Fellow in [paediatric subspecialty]".	15 March 19
All Tertiary Care Assoc.	Review the Common Trunk Curriculum and submit any proposed modifications	1 Nov 2018

Berthold Koletzko
Chair, Tertiary Care Council

Ana Margarida Neves
for the minutes



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