



West of Scotland Paediatric MCN
for Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition

Rules of Engagement

Introduction

Managed Clinical Networks (MCNs) are key 'vehicles' of change for paediatric specialist children's services to ensure equitable high quality health care.

There are a number of 'rules of engagement' which will help guide MCNs through accountability and governance arrangements.

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- Each MCN should have clarification of resources based on NDP funding between WoS CHRPG and the MCN hosted Health Board. This outlines the role of the group, the role of the Lead Clinician and the objectives of the network.
- The steering group will agree timelines for the delivery of each objective detailed in the overall MCN work plan.
- Each Steering group should have a work plan which details the networks objectives and the work streams which are required to support it.
- Each work stream will require a sub group of multidisciplinary stakeholders and service users to ensure quality of delivery.
- Each subgroup will have an agreed term of reference and a chair that will be the key contact for the network.
- Each steering group and sub group should undertake an equality impact assessment for the projects on which it is leading.
- Each sub group will nominate a secretary who will take formal minutes at each meeting and log these with the MCN office within 2 weeks. The MCN office will offer as much administrative support as it can.
- Each Sub group will produce 'highlight reports' on the progress of the projects they undertaken through the chair to the steering group.

- All projects undertaken by sub groups should have formal approval by the steering group, detailed in the minutes and reported in the mid year and annual reports.