NZ annual nephrology business meeting

17th of November 2014
- meeting open 3.30pm

Previous minutes – approved by group present

1. NZ Chapter – structure and website
   - currently a chapter of ANZSN
   - this is part of the formal governance review currently being undertaken
     by the ANZSN
   - the NZ chapter will be offered a page on the website of ANZSN where we
     should be able to store our minutes and meeting presentations

2. NRAB – Tier 2 documents currently begin reviewed to for the MOH and to
   ensure that our renal standards document is up to date. Once the NRAB has
   reviewed it will be forwarded to heads of units for consultation.
   - big piece of work has been the establishment of the NZ National Renal
     Transplant Service- now chaired by Nick Cross
   - CKD consensus document is being finalized, it is being rolled out through
     the primary sector and will utilize tools such as the BPAC modules GP use very
     soon
   - Murray and Kelvin have been working with Kidney Health Australia
     looking at “packages” available for education which could be adapted for use in
     New Zealand
   - Standards and Audits report – new group have taken over from Mark
     and Grant. This is still a couple of years behind but trying to catch up. Delays
     getting 2013 data from ANZDATA but 2012 data is available for reporting on

3. DNT meeting
   - March 1-3. If wishing to go and not part of units allocation then apply
     directly to ANZSN for returned offers
   - Rob Walker is current NZ rep

4. SPEC update
   - few issues around registrar training
   - next meeting in December
   - Nephrology 101 is the training weekend in Australia for current trainees

5. RACP training issues
   - SAC is merging between Australoa and NZ
   - currently this is not up and running
   - Jo Dunlop is currently on SAC
   - currently 28 renal trainees (6 attended this meeting) most are dual
     training with Gen Med
   - Jo is currently looking at a national training scheme which would be
     number limited each year, ideally they would receive a 3 year program if
     accepted onto the program. This is unlikely to be up and running for a couple of
years. Heads of units will be involved in discussions around how trainees could be allocated.

6. PHARMAC – Nephrology PTAC
- no meetings yet
- list of medicines under review are with members
- role of group is to provide “nephrology” feedback on drug funding to PHARMAC but the group do not have final say

7. National Renal Transplant Service
    Now up and running with Nick Cross as Chair. Will report to National Health Board and NRAB. Nick will sit on NRAB.

8. Kidney exchange – Auckland have the contract for the next 3 years to run the program
    - this provides administration support
    - 3 exchanges currently planned
    - committee is John Irvine, Phil Matheson, Ian Dittmer

8. PD registry – updates presented at this meeting. First formal report due out shortly and will be presented to NRAB.

9. ANZDATA
    - Ian complained about timely return of data but then long delay of data queries
    - Ian with draft letter for Murray
    - Heads of department meeting ?Feb next year
    Tonya Kara is NZ rep on ANZDATA

10. Annual meetings
    - Baxter is proposed to go ahead in May –
        - Aim for this the NZRG annual meeting is to go ahead similar time next year (weekend before labour weekend)
        - Murray likes Thursday evening/Friday meeting but is open to other suggestions. Group present felt it works well.
        - Wellington proposed and agreed as venue
        - Committee – Ian will stay on, Janak would like to come off, Suetonia will stay, Leila will join for next year, Murray will stay on. Rabi will stay on.

No other issues raised

Meeting closed – 4.15pm