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**The Pathology Clinical Reference Group**  
*Steering good ideas through to good practice*

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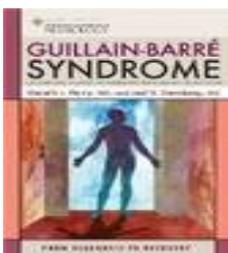
Welcome to the Pathology Clinical Reference Group bulletin for July 2013.

At this month's meeting, we welcomed Gordon Sturmeay as our Patient Representative for the Group

**Diary Dates:**

October 2013 (date & time to follow) A WebEx seminar on CPA accreditation on Point of Care Testing across connected & non-connected devices by Tony Cambridge (Plymouth Hospitals)

To reserve your free place please email us at:-  
[knowledgeteam@tvhiec.org.uk](mailto:knowledgeteam@tvhiec.org.uk)



We welcome Gordon Sturmeay our new patient representative, who was diagnosed with the rare condition 'Gullain-Barre Syndrome' from eating possibly a poultry food product. We will be focusing on Gordon's treatment at the Royal Berks ICU at the next CRG meeting.

See <http://dailym.ai/U5bGMO> for more information about Gordon's experience within ICU.



Dr John Wood (Managing Director of the Hampshire & Isle-of-Wight Consortium) gave us fascinating insight into the complexities of sharing pathology services across three Trusts including the use of a single LIMS IM&T system. See <http://bit.ly/17811b0>



Do you know your CCG lead?

CCGs should now be operating & commissioning pathology services from their Trusts. It is important that Pathology service leads actively engage with their CCG lead. It is proposed that representation from CCGs either attend a future meeting or be invited to a pathology/CCG collaboration meeting. Please email [knowledgeteam@tvhiec.org.uk](mailto:knowledgeteam@tvhiec.org.uk) with contact details of your CCG representatives, in order we can invite them to a future meeting.

Next Clinical Reference Group meeting is scheduled for 1st October 2013 from 10am to 12 noon at the Newbury Manor House To reserve your free place please email me at:-  
[Finlay.love@southernhealth.nhs.uk](mailto:Finlay.love@southernhealth.nhs.uk)



Point of Care Testing within the community project is now entering its second phase, with nearly all POCT leads or equivalents aligned to the group being consulted on the proposed business model. With a large majority favouring the model behind CCGs commissioning their POCT from their Trust, the next phase will concentrate on engaging CCGs with a view of forming a shared service between Primary & Secondary care. See <http://bit.ly/14kDqrA>

**Agenda & Minutes from CRG meeting July 23rd 2013**



New courses are now available from the NHS Leadership Academy for junior to middle management, see <http://bit.ly/17nl6Pd> Courses for senior management & executives have now closed. However, they are now taking registration details for spring 2014. If you would like to take advantage of these leadership courses I am currently taking applicant details. Please email [Finlay.love@southernhealth.nhs.uk](mailto:Finlay.love@southernhealth.nhs.uk) with your details. It is important that you have already discussed taking this course with your line manager before proceeding

**Agenda**

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**Minutes**

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