The HPV SIG that are organising the first session. Registration opens at 12:00 with the meeting starting at 13:00. More details to follow on the BASHH website.

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BASHH ELECTION RESULTS
The BASHH Annual General Meeting was held on Friday 13 January 2017 and the following members were elected to the BASHH Board and CGC committee.

We thank board members and CGC representatives who completed their terms and resigned at the AGM for their amazing contribution and hard work on behalf of BASHH.

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Clinical Governance Committee (CGC) Posts

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The CGC posts for Trent and Yorkshire remain vacant. If you are a fellow in one of these regions, please consider being co-opted to these posts. Contact Dr. Elizabeth Foley (Elizabeth.foley@solent.nhs.uk) for further information.

Daniel Richardson has agreed to continue his excellent work organising the BASHH conferences as Assistant Secretary in a non-trustee role.

BASHH-SSSTDI Annual Conference
The BASHH-SSSTDI annual Conference is in Belfast 18-20 June.

The Abstract submission deadline is 3rd March 2017

The Gala Dinner this year will be held in the Titanic Museum.

Please go to website for further details.
News

BASHH Cathy Harman Award for Innovation in Sexual Health 2017

The Cathy Harman award acknowledges and rewards innovation and service modernisation in the field of sexual health.

In memory of Cathy who, as a Nurse, led by example in improving core services and patient care, this award is presented annually at the BASHH National Spring conference.

**Have you created a new service to meet your local patient need or utilised a new system to improve your service? If yes, then apply for the Cathy Harman Award.**

All applications need to be sent to admin@bashh.org by midday on Wednesday 24th March 2017. Please use link for more details and please use the application form supplied by BASHH.

Contact Mr Jodie Walker-Haywood – Nurse rep to the Board – jodiewh_82@hotmail.co.uk for further information.

Centenary of the Venereal Diseases Act 1917 – BASHH reception event at House of Lords Tuesday 6th June, 2017

**Invitation to BASHH members**

BASHH is organising a high-profile event in Parliament to commemorate the centenary of the VD Act 1917, marking 100 years of high quality sexual health services across the UK.

We are honoured to be hosted through Baroness Gould of Pottemerton, our sponsor. A spectrum of individuals and organisations will be invited from sexual health and HIV services, advocacy and charity groups, plus the Parliamentarians who have helped us through the years. We will hear short contributions from distinguished speakers then enjoy a networking event with drinks and canapes in the stunning setting of the Terrace of the House of Lords. The event will run directly after the Scientific Meeting on 6/6/17.

BASHH has always aimed to support and to celebrate the contributions of our members. Our President is keen for every member to have an opportunity to attend this exciting event. Sadly, numbers at the event are quite limited.

We are offering sponsored places open to all members, which will give free attendance. If the event is over-subscribed then a ballot for places will be held. Deadline for applications is 12 midnight 28th February

Please note, places are not transferable for security reasons. Travel and other expenses are the responsibility of the individual.

If you are interested in attending, please email BASHH at admin@bashh.org with subject line CENTENARY and please include your name, contact email and membership number.

*Jan Clarke, Immediate Past President*

Clinical Governance Committee vacancies

The Chair of the CGC, Dr Alan Tang would like expressions of interest by email from any BASHH member who is actively providing STI and HIV testing in prison settings to present prison governance issues at the quarterly committee meetings. The role will involve liaison with members who work in prisons and writing of quarterly reports on any service provision, quality or safety issues. The lead may attend in person or request the Chair or Secretary of the CGC to move their report in absentia. A spreadsheet of members who provide STI and/or HIV services will be passed on to the lead along with a summary of past projects with the Health and Justice Clinical Reference Group, Public Health England BBV Testing Pilot, Commission on Sex in prisons and other projects.

There are also vacancies for Chairs for the Trent and Yorkshire branches. If you are interested in any of these posts, please email admin@bashh.org

Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse in Institutions

This inquiry is keen to hear from victims or survivors of abuse in institutions ('Truth Project'), where the organisation failed to either protect them from abuse, or respond appropriately to allegations. Key facts about the inquiry can be found at: [https://www.iicsa.org.uk/key-documents/927/view/IICSA_Fact%20Sheet_English_for%20printing.pdf](https://www.iicsa.org.uk/key-documents/927/view/IICSA_Fact%20Sheet_English_for%20printing.pdf)

Details on how to share experiences can be found at: [https://www.iicsa.org.uk/node/822](https://www.iicsa.org.uk/node/822)

If you have patients or colleagues who have experienced institutional abuse, please consider inviting them to share their experiences.
NICE Quality Standards Team

We are pleased to announce that the Tuberculosis quality standard (QS141) has been published on the NICE website. You can view the quality standard by following this link.

Please accept our thanks if your organisation submitted comments during consultation on this quality standard. All consultation comments were considered by the Quality Standards Advisory Committee (QSAC) and the minutes of this meeting are now available on this link: https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/QS141/documents/minutes-2.

A summary of the consultation comments, prepared by the NICE quality standards team and the full set of consultation comments are also available: https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/QS141/documents/consultation-summary-report

Society of Apothecaries of London—Diploma in Genitourinary Medicine & Diploma in HIV Medicine

Expressions of interest are sought from consultant educational / clinical supervisor physicians in Genitourinary (GU) Medicine or Infectious Diseases (ID) to become examiners for the Society of Apothecaries for either the:

- Diploma in G-U Medicine
- Diploma in HIV Medicine.

As specialty trainees in GU Medicine require both Diplomas as part of their training, applicants must have relevant experience as clinical or educational supervisors in GU Medicine (for Dip GU Med or Dip HIV Med), or in ID (for the Dip HIV Med).

Further details and a self-nomination form are available as follows:

- G-U Med – examoffice@apothecaries.org
- HIV Med - asstreg@apothecaries.org

Please contact the Registrar on 020 7236 1180 if you would like an informal discussion with either her or one of the Conveners. The closing date for receipt by the Society of self-nomination forms is Monday 20 February 2017.

County Lines

County lines is the growing practice of gangs to exploit vulnerable children and adults at risk of abuse (including those with mental illness or learning disabilities) in order to facilitate the running of street level drug dealing and to spread their networks out across the country from London and other large conurbations.


National ACCEA awards 2017

Congratulations to Gary Brook on his Gold award, Sheena McCormack and Olwen Williams for their silver awards. ACCEA has let us know that it will open for 2017 round February 28th and close Tuesday April 25th. The closing date for submissions to be considered by BASHH will be Sunday March 5th. Further information will be on the BASHH website in due course. Please use the 2016 Guide and Forms that are on the website to prepare your submission to BASHH. Check ACCEA website for further information. For those who may not be aware you self nominate and seek support from organisations. Any enquiries to Dr Angela Robinson via email in the first instance. Angela.Robinson11@nhs.net

CLINIC FINDER

In times of fast changing services BASHH rely on members reviewing and updating their clinic details on the BASHH website, please can you take the time to check your clinic's entry at http://www.bashh.org/clinics and if any changes are needed please complete the form by using this link or contact admin@bashh.org with the new details. ???
Even more news

HIV CRG UPDATE

The re-established HIV CRG continues to press ahead in its quest to ensure best, and most efficient, practice in HIV treatment and care. Here follow key messages from our teleconference meeting in December – I hope to update you with messages from our January face-to-face meeting soon.

Please contact me at lwaters@nhs.net or your regional reps (listed below) if you have questions or items you would like me to take to the next CRG meeting.

Laura Waters, BASHH representative on the HIV CRG

Stakeholder Key Messages – December 2016
8th December 2016

1. CRG Membership. The membership of the CRG has been confirmed with Ian Williams as chair. The regional reps are: North: Pauline Jelliman, Mas Chaponda; Midlands & East: Adrian Palfreeman, Dushyant Mital; South: Mark Gompels, Heather Leake Date; London: Jane Anderson, David Asboe

2. TAF policy; The TAF products Descovy and Odefsey have been commissioned by NHSE.

3. Immediate ART policy; The evidence review for this policy has been completed, work on the policy proposition is progressing and will be submitted to the clinical panel at NHSE in January.

4. ARV Improving Value Scheme; A steering committee with regional representation and clinical lead has been established and work is progressing on implementation in all regions. The HIV CRG drugs group will continue to provide advice and clinical overview for the scheme

5. Commissioning HIV and sexual health services: The CRG remains concerned about the potential impact on HIV services from the commissioning intentions of local authorities for sexual health services. The CRG regional representatives are able to provide clinical advice to both HIV and sexual health service commissioners on tender proposals.

6. Stakeholders; Stakeholder registration is open for all stakeholders.

Gilead UK and Ireland Fellowship Programme 2017

Gilead are pleased to announce that the 2017 Gilead UK and Ireland Fellowship Programme will be opening for grant applications in HIV, viral hepatitis, invasive fungal disease and oncology / haematology in early 2017 as follows:

HIV and viral hepatitis: January 2017 & IFD and oncology: March 2017

For 2017 the HIV grant award invites applications from healthcare or allied professionals who are seeking funding for a project that meets the criteria of:

The Fellowship is looking to support the set up of new innovative testing initiatives with the expectation of reaching and HIV testing of 250 individuals from higher risk populations in non GUM/non hospital settings. For example, these could include outreach, remote or other novel testing strategies. Each application should outline clear plans to linkage to care.

Projects which fall outside of this scope but will add clinical value or investigate an area of unmet need within HIV can be submitted and will be reviewed with merit. If you would like more information regarding the Gilead Fellowship Programme please visit www.ukifellowshipprogramme.com. Please feel free to contact us at admin@ukifellowshipprogramme.com

Volunteers needed for research on people’s experience of antiretroviral therapy (ART) in people living with HIV

We are looking for participants with HIV, aged 18 and over for a study exploring how thoughts, feelings, and behaviours relate to taking antiretroviral therapy (ART).

The study will involve completing a simple online survey. Participation is voluntary and you may withdraw at any time. The study is approved by King’s College London’s Psychiatry, Nursing and Midwifery Research Ethics Subcommittee reference HR-15/16-2496.

Your participation will increase our knowledge in this area. You will be asked to complete questionnaires about some general background information, your medical history, how HIV has impacted your life, your experiences of ART, and how you think, feel, and behave in response to taking your medication. Overall, this study should last no longer than twenty to thirty minutes.

For more details please contact Dr. Anthony Harrison on +447936448926 (anthony.harrison@kcl.ac.uk).
Events & Training

BASHH Genital Dermatology SIG—Dates for your diary

24 03 17: BASHH Scientific Session (second session - 3.30pm-5.30 pm)
-See BASHH website for details

23 06 17: Genital Dermatology PLUS Course 2017
Venue: Wesley Euston Hotel & Conference Venue, London
Next to Euston Station NB: Places are limited on this Course.

This Course will cover topics that were not included in the Primary Course. E.g. Cutaneous manifestations of HIV, Genital manifestations of systemic disease, Pigmented lesions of the vulva, Histology of common genital skin disease seen in Sexual Health Clinics, Peri anal dermatoses, Vulval cancer & precancer, challenging male genital dermatological cases & oral manifestations of genital skin disease, Vulodynia, and Behcet’s disease.

Details of registration will be uploaded on the BASHH website shortly.
NB: The number of places on this Course is limited. Hence please apply early to avoid disappointment

20 10 2017: 7th BASHH Genital Dermatology Course, London

HIV Masterclass 16-17 March 2017
Places are still available on the above workshop for BASHH Members

Programme
Complex HIV Cases- opportunistic infections, co-morbidities & resistance
Top 5 General Medical papers
Ageing with HIV and HIV related comorbidities
Contraception and Pre-conception
Neurocog/One stop memory clinic
Engaging with high risk communities
Trans/PrEP/HIV
Chemsex
New drugs – the HIV and Hepatitis pipeline
Managing drug-drug interactions
Challenging ethical cases
HIV Cure strategies simplified
Top HIV papers of the Year
Moving beyond renal toxicity, kidneys, bones & the future
Future models of HIV care
Test and treat in practice

To obtain an application form either visit the BASHH website or email Cathy Taylor directly palmtraining@sky.com

Mentor support and Supervision

The Mentoring Group are running their next peer support / supervision session for mentors in London on Friday 5th May. This provides CPD and also a confidential but informal space to support one another in the subtle art of mentoring. The session is facilitated by a consultant psychiatrist and is free of charge. To register or for further information please contact Luciana Rubinstein at l.rubinstein@nhs.net

Sexual Health Advisor : The developing role (NA6134) 20 Level 6 credits

This module will explore current issues in sexual health with relation to the developing role of the sexual health advisor. This will equip students to strengthen their practice with an increased knowledge of potential challenges, enhanced skills and a greater personal and professional self-awareness to more effectively and innovatively meet clients’ sexual health needs.

This exciting and thought provoking programme will include teaching on contemporary issues such as chem- sex, sexual assault, the adult film industry, domestic abuse and also the Trans* community.

Please use this link for further details
More Events & Training

**STIF Competency – Train the Trainer**

The next STIF Competency Train the Trainer events will take place on 24th March 2017 (London) and on 30th November 2017. This is a practical training session aimed at those clinicians who are planning to implement a STIF Fundamental, Intermediate, Integrated, Advanced and Health Advising Competency training and assessments.

Please note that all STIF Competency trainers must attend the STIF Competency Train the Trainer event every five years to maintain registration.

Registration fee: £70.00.

To register please click [here](#).

**STIF Sexual Health Advising Competency (SHA) training and assessment is now available.**

For more information click [here](#):

We have 5 complimentary places (one per centre) reserved at each Train the Trainer workshop for senior Health Advisers to facilitate the introduction of the new SHA Competency programme. Please contact STIF@suebird.biz.

**STIF Forum**

BASHH STIF Annual Meeting – Belfast, Monday 19 June, from 2-3pm

All STIF Course Directors and STIF Competency Trainers are welcome to this short meeting. This will be an opportunity to share experiences and hear your views and best practice to help us to continue develop the STI Foundation and Competency programmes.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Advance notice of the 20th BASHH Annual conference for SAS doctors working in Sexual Health

The 20th BASHH Annual Conference for SAS Doctors Working in Sexual Health is to be held on 8th and 9th September 2017 at Keele University.

Please hold these dates for this popular educational conference aimed at SAS doctors working in Sexual Health.

Online registration, abstract submission and conference programme will be available on the BASHH website in April.

If you are an SAS Doctor please consider submitting an abstract for consideration for an oral presentation at the conference. We are looking for original papers/audits/interesting cases submitted by SAS doctors.

King’s Health Partners Training Partnership

The Training Partnership has been delivering Sexual Health Training from 1970’s. They run a selection of courses for General Practitioners, Practice Nurses, SAS Doctors and Non–medical staff interested in sexual health.

For details and further information on our courses visit our [website](#)

If you require further information please contact Xara Machmer at x.machmer@nhs.net

Essentials in Sexual Offences Forensic Examination and Clinical Management (Adults and Adolescents) Best practice for Scotland

**Saturday 18th – Monday 20th March 2017—NHS Education Scotland, 2 Central Quay, Glasgow G3 8BW**

This course provides an introduction to the medical, psychological, social and legal aspects of rape and sexual assault, focussing on an empathic victim-focussed approach to appropriate management, forensic examination, evidence collection, documentation and preparation for presentation of evidence in a Scottish Court.

It is aimed at clinicians who are providing these services within Scotland and is also suitable for trainees seeking a foundation in Sexual Offences Management. The programme combines lecture-based sessions in addition to small group work and is delivered by experts currently working in this field in Scotland. The course organiser is Dr Deb Wardle, Consultant in Genitourinary Medicine & Sexual Health and Lead Consultant, Archway, Glasgow SARC.

Booking can be made through liz.phillips@nes.scot.nhs.uk. Course Fee: £405
DIARY DATES

**Vulval Dermatology in Practice: Masterclass**—9 February in London

**12th Joint BASHH AND FSRH Conference**—10 February at RSM, London

**Continuing Education in Sexual Health & Reproductive Health**—11 February in London

**BASHH HIV masterclass** -16-17 March in Manchester

**Essentials in Sexual Offences Forensic Examination and Clinical Management (Adults and Adolescents) Best practice for Scotland**—18-20 March in Glasgow

**BASHH Scientific meeting**—24th March – RSM, London

**STIF Competency Train the Trainer** on 24th March in London

**HIV & Hepatitis in the Americas 2017** 6 – 8 April Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

**HIV and ageing - 4th national conference**—Friday 12 May 2017 at RSM, London

**7th Annual Anogenital and Oral Dermatology Course**—25-26 May in London

**BASHH Scientific meeting**—Tuesday 6 June – Kings Fund, London—**please note date**

**BASHH Annual Conference**—18-20 June in Belfast

**BASHH Genital Dermatology PLUS Course**—23 June in London

**20th BASHH Annual Conference for SAS Doctors Working in Sexual Health**—8-9 September at Keele University

**Research Methods Course**—18th – 21st September 2017 in London

**BASHH Scientific meeting**—13 October – Royal Society of Medicine, London

**7th BASHH Genital Dermatology Course, London**—20 October in London

**STIF Competency Train the Trainer** on 30 November in Birmingham

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The deadlines for newsletters in 2017, please make a note in your calendar to ensure that news items are received promptly

- 22 March 2017
- 24 May 2017
- 26 July 2017
- 27 September 2017
- 29 November 2017