
Paediatric Intensive Care Audit Network

Happy New Year

PICANet Annual Meeting

Many thanks for all the positive feedback from the last annual meeting in October and to all the presenters for making it such a successful day.

We are pleased to announce that the next PICANet Annual Meeting will be on:

18th October, 2012

The meeting will be held at:

University of Leicester

If you could pencil this date in your diaries, more details will follow nearer the time.

PICANet Web

The new web based system launched on the 1st October, 2011. So far 19 units have successfully transferred their unit data to PICANet Web and 6 units have contacted the PICANet IT team to discuss the transfer process. The remaining units will be contacted to establish timelines.

PICANet Web: User access

Following approval by CAG levels of user access has been split into the following three levels:

Writer: Users have full read/write access to their own organisation's data.

Reader: Users have read-only access to their own organisation's data.

Reporter: Users have access to Dashboard and Reports only.

Clinical leads have been contacted to confirm the levels of access for those users already registered with PICANet.

PLEASE NOTE: usernames and passwords MUST NOT be shared.

Validation Query Reports

Units that have transferred to PICANet Web are able to generate their own validation reports at any time. Since the launch of the system there have been a number of updates to the validation reporting tool including the addition of validation queries not previously generated for data entered

onto PICANet DE. We would like to draw your attention to the following in particular:

Validation Reports: Clicking the export function will enable you to download the report in different formats.

Date of Discharge: Completion of the 30 day follow-up status for patients discharged from PICU to 'normal residence' is now required. For PICANet DE this information was not collected.

PICANet Web reporting

The admissions graph shown on the home page plots the number of admissions to your unit. If you hover over a bar the number of admissions for the month will appear.

Referral & Transport Data

The 1st of January 2012 marks the official start to the data collection for the retrieval datasets. Referral and transport data should be submitted by the PICU or Centralised Transport Service taking the referral call and or providing the transport. All clinical leads have been sent copies of the data collection forms and a data definitions manual. Contact picanet@leeds.ac.uk if you have any queries.

PICANet Annual Report 2011 for Wales

The Welsh annual report is now available for download from the PICANet website www.picanet.org.uk. The Scottish and Irish reports will be made available in the very near future.

PICANet Annual Report 2012.

The deadline for submitting data for inclusion in the 2012 annual report for the period January 2009 to December 2011 is the 31st March, 2012. This date is final, any data submitted after this will not be included.

PICU Families Group: Lay Representatives

We would like to thank all those units who advertised the lay representative poster. We received a number of enquires and as a result two lay representatives attended the PICU families group meeting in November.

Staffing Survey November 2011

Caroline would like to thank units for the prompt return of completed forms. Data from two units is outstanding.

National Review of Asthma Deaths

The National Review of Asthma Deaths are due to start collecting data from 1 Feb 2012 - 31 Jan 2013 and would like the clinical community to notify them of any asthma deaths they are aware of occurring in this period.

Please email Rosie Houston, Programme manager (rosie.houston@rcplondon.ac.uk) for further information. This can also be found on the PICANet website or by accessing the NRAD website: www.rcplondon.ac.uk/nrad.

Validation Visits

By the end of February 2012 all units will have undergone a validation visit. During each of the visits an information and facilities questionnaire has been completed by a member of the unit's clinical team. The data collected will be used to measure the facilities available to the parents of a child on PICU against the PICS standards.

PICANet Research Assistant

Rachel Hobson left the PICANet team at the end of January to take up a new position in clinical trials. We all wish her well in her new role. We hope to appoint a replacement for Rachel in the near future.

DATES for your Diary

**Clinical Advisory Group
29th March 2012
Perinatal Institute Birmingham**

If you would like anything raised at the Clinical Advisory Meeting please contact one of the group representatives or the PICANet team. A full list of CAG members can be found on the PICANet website.

Thank you to all those who have answered the call for new members. PICANet will be in touch shortly.

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