

## Musculoskeletal Working Party

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The MSK working party reformed this year and held its first meeting in August.

There was a detailed review of the work of the previous group and from this, the work of the reformed WP was planned.

### Initiatives Include:

#### *Surgery*

The WP plan to produce information for patients and families on the surgical options for managing haemophilic arthropathy and when agreed, to make these available via the NHD website.

As part of this work we plan to work with the Haemophilia Society to deliver educational events for patients.

Using results from the previous survey – and perhaps through extending this, we plan to assess the availability of types of surgery, e.g. elbow replacement in haemophilia and to develop registries to monitor impact of such surgery and survival of these prostheses.

The WP plans to assess the need for standards and for reference centres for complex or rarely performed surgery to ensure the best outcomes for patients.

Through collaboration with NHD and Haemtrack Group to explore collecting outcome data on the effect of joint surgery on factor use and QoL.

The WP will also work with the UK physiotherapy group to review guidelines for physiotherapy – for acute issues, to improve musculoskeletal health and perioperatively.

### ***Radiosynovectomy***

Availability of radiosynovectomy has already been reviewed by the MSK WP. The uptake of this procedure appears to be patchy and the WP plans to produce guidelines for radiosynovectomy and to work with the CRG to consider whether a commissioning policy would improve availability and uptake for eligible patients.

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