East of England Urology Meeting January 2017 feedback and meeting survey results

50 delegates, 42 feedback forms returned. Scoring scale 1-5, 5 is best

The aims/learning objectives of the event were well defined?
Mean 4.3 range 2-5

The defined aims/learning objectives of the event were achieved?
Mean 4.5 range 3-5

The event was well organised?
Mean 4.8 range 4-5

The event fulfilled my educational requirements?
Mean 4.1 range 3-5

Attending the event has helped me keep up to date in my practice?
Mean 4.3 range 3-5

Attending the event has helped me maintain and improve the standard of care for my patients?
Mean 4.3 range 3-5

No delegate felt that there was undue commercial bias.

All speaker ratings for content and lecturing ability were 4.3 out of 5 or better
Q1 How often should there be a meeting for all urologists and urology specialist nurses in the East of England?

- Three times a year
- Twice a year
- Once a year
- Once every 18 months
- Once every two years

Options:

- All
- Consultants
- Trainees and other urologists
- Urology nurses
Urology Nurses

No comments entered

Trainees and other urologists

Could split up trainee talks

Consultants

I would suggest one in the East and one in the West of this rather large region once a year is fine in my view there are lots of other meetings

Leave supported by Trust

It is a social as well as academic / business meeting
Q2 Is the present one day East of England annual meeting too long, too short, or about right?

- Somewhat too long
- Slightly too long
- About right
- Slightly too short
- Somewhat too short

- All
- Consultants
- Trainees and other urologists
- Urology nurses
Urology Nurses

No comments entered

Trainees and other urologists

Too many trainee talks is tiring

Consultants

No idea never been

I haven't been to one as yet as currently attend the Essex/A12 meetings.

Too much presentation packed with little time for discussion. Better to be over a weekend (2 days)

Always runs a bit late and attendance gets thin towards the end

But program is packed.
Q3 Which month would be the ideal one for an annual meeting for you?
Urology Nurses

Any month really

Trainees and other urologists

No comments entered

Consultants

It could be on rotating weekdays in second or third week of November. Or second half of January.

Not July or Aug
does not interfere with other meetings

Nov and Dec also good

Quiet time for AL/school holidays

Does not mind any time except Dec/Jan

No preference

For a yearly meeting

Don't mind too much

Few people away and no major international or national meetings

Or March
Q4 Do you find it helpful to have someone from BAUS attend to update on BAUS matters?

- **All**
  - Very helpful: 45
  - Somewhat helpful: 10
  - Not particularly helpful: 5
  - Not helpful: 0

- **Consultants**
  - Very helpful: 35
  - Somewhat helpful: 15
  - Not particularly helpful: 10
  - Not helpful: 0

- **Trainees and other urologists**
  - Very helpful: 20
  - Somewhat helpful: 10
  - Not particularly helpful: 5
  - Not helpful: 0

- **Urology nurses**
  - Very helpful: 15
  - Somewhat helpful: 10
  - Not particularly helpful: 5
  - Not helpful: 0
Urology Nurses
No comments entered

Trainees and other urologists
No comments entered

Consultants
I have often experienced that attendance from BAUS has resulted in messages taken back to head quarter as well and subsequent materialised in new actions.

good way to update political info

A brief update will be welcome
Q5 For the part of the meeting not given to trainee presentations, please rank in order the content that you would you prefer?

Longest bar is highest preference

- Urology
- Urology and other non-clinical medical matters (e.g., training/governance/management/medical politics)
- Urology and a non-Urology clinical subject or theme, relevant to urologists
- Urology and a non-medical subject or theme, relevant to urologists
- Non-clinical medical matters (e.g., training/governance/management/medical politics)
- Non-Urology clinical subject or theme, relevant to urologists
- Non-medical subject or theme, relevant to urologists
No comment option for this question
Q6 Is the time given to trainee presentations too long, too short, or about right?
**Urology Nurses**

No comments entered

**Trainees and other urologists**

Talk fatigue by end

**Consultants**

No idea never been

Each presentation should ideally have a limited amount of slides so that the presentation is done within time.

Whilst I can see the relevance of getting every trainee to speak this leads to an awful lot of presentations, some of which are not relevant to a lot of urologists e.g. Someone's PhD project. I think there should be a competitive entry to the trainee presentations.

A number relate to MS PhD work. Would be better to see the low end local work and get a flavour of the trainee themself

I would prefer posters and the best ones chosen for presentation

Many basic science presentation which most of the attendance don't understand or of no clinical practice
Q7 Which town would be your preferred location for the meeting?
Urology Nurses

No comments entered

Trainees and other urologists

No comments entered

Consultants

If the meeting is very far from everyone else (like Peterborough, Ipswich or Norwich) one could consider to add an overnight stay as an option with a morning local entertainment (live surgery/ local activities/ projects etc).

If two meetings Dec meeting in Cambridge the other rotating around the region.

Bury and Ipswich and Chelmsford also worth considering.

Cambridge is good as central, but perhaps every other meeting move it around the region if other centres wish to host.

I believe a rotating programme would be better for all to feel represented

Colchester would also be good / better for the most
Q8 How suitable for you is Cambridge as a location for the meeting?

[Bar chart showing the responses to the question. The categories are Excellent, Very good, Good, Fair, and Poor. The chart includes data for All, Consultants, Trainees and other urologists, and Urology nurses.]
Urology Nurses
No comments entered

Trainees and other urologists
No comments entered

Consultants
Parking is easy. The starting time of the meeting has allowed for arriving later than Cambridge rush hour but the return journey can be challenging. The cooking is very traditionally English overdone and overcooked.

See above, I also think it should move around at least every other meeting which will engage other units more and prevent the meeting becoming too "Cambridge centric".
Q9 How suitable for you is Homerton College as a venue for the meeting?
Urology Nurses
No comments entered

Trainees and other urologists
No comments entered

Consultants
Parking is excellent. The food is fairly boring, in particular the evening meal. The auditorium is either too hot or very cold. The exhibition area is OK.

Very good but variety helps keep interest and it would be worth looking at the costs of holding it in other colleges

I'm not familiar with it
Q10 Do you have any other comments, questions, or concerns?

Urology Nurses

Trainees and other urologists

I would suggest a competitive abstract with about half the number currently delivered and then a broader range of other talks e.g. trainees returning from fellowship, recently appointed consultants, senior colleagues with specialist interests (as has been done, on occasion, in the past) to showcase the best of the regions interests and skills to the collected group.

Consultants

I think the meeting has important value, in particular now that the registrar training has been merged as well. The bi-annual Trainer-Trainee meeting held by the A12 group (Essex Urology Group) could be held every other time at the same time and place as the East of England BAUS meeting allowing it to cover 1.5 or two days with a dinner between the two days.

More social afterwards

Moving the meeting around as they do in Essex seems sensible and might encourage bigger turnout. The meeting in Norwich a few years ago seemed to work well as people needed to stay over, which makes for a better meeting. It would be good to be less focussed on Cambridge where access is poor. Time for a change, lets take it on tour...

More remainders to encourage wider participation to the EoE meeting

nice balance at present and one-day format is good

Make it more inclusive & meeting for consultants as well as trainees - include CPD / support for trainers / members

Meeting should rotate around region. I think there should be two meetings a years. There should a balance between science and clinical urology. Suggest lectures from local trainers who are doing innovate work as well. Venue should not be Cambridge centric. Please think about more programme directors to cover the region adequately.

A dinner is essential

None