Study Group Meeting
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SG Meeting Overview 17:15-18:15

- Overview and leadership updates (5 min)
- 3 Major Initiatives (15 min)
- Environmental Scan (15 min)
- Presentations from Award Winners (15 min)
- Questions and Answers (10 minutes)
Leadership

Raymond Chan PhD
• Chair (Since September 2017)
• Based in Australia

Margaret Fitch PhD
• Vice Chair (since September 2017)
• Based in Canada
Reconceptualising the SG title

• Rehabilitation
• Survivorship
• Quality of life

1. Gathering feedback at SG meeting
2. Drafting and circulating revised title, mission and objectives (?)
3. Seeking feedback and approval from the Executives
3 Major Initiatives

1. Study Group Abstract Awards (Trainee and Junior Researchers)
   - Annually
   - Criteria similar to those offered by the Fatigue SG
   - Awardees will present at the SG meeting
3 Major Initiatives

2. Survey study: Implementation of Exercise Guidelines into Routine Clinical Care

3. Survey study: Patient-Reported Outcomes (PRO) Data Collection in Routine Care and Subsequent Actions in Benchmarking, Clinical Responses and Research/Education)

EOI to the SG for involvement as Investigators
- Criteria for the commitment levels of the investigators will be clear

EOI to the SG for a Junior Researcher (post-doc) Mentoring Program
- Mentoring opportunity for the junior research from the Chair/Vice-Chair/Investigating team
- Certificate of completion and $500 award

Engage the membership prior to ASM
Project timeline for the survey studies

2. Implementation of Exercise Guidelines into Routine Clinical Care

3. Patient-Reported Outcomes (PRO) Data Collection in Routine Care and Subsequent Actions in Benchmarking, Clinical Responses and Research/Education

Proposed timeline: 12 months

- EOI (2 months)
- Protocol development (2 months)
- Ethics application (2 months)
- Survey administration (2 month)
- Data analysis and writing up (4 months)
Criteria for Senior Investigators

Commitment Levels

• Able and willing to actively participate in monthly – bimonthly teleconferences over the project period

• Provide intellectual input/feedback to the study in a timely manner (respond emails from the within 1 week)

• Act as local and regional champions to facilitate participation of the survey

• Contribute to writing up of the study report and manuscripts
Criteria for Junior Investigators

Criteria:

• Completed a PhD or equivalent

Role:

• Take a lead, coordination role for the research team
• Organise regular investigator meeting and application of ethics and other approvals as required
• Receive mentorship from the Chair/Vice-Chair/Investigating team
Challenges and Future Opportunities

Challenges:
- Change of SG leadership in the past 12 months – requiring stability
- The scope of “Rehabilitation”, “Survivorship”, “Quality of Life” is very broad – requiring strategic considerations

Plan for the next 12 months:
- Completion of the two survey studies
- Establishing an effective platform for ongoing communication between SG members
- Establishing collaboration with researchers interested in Financial Toxicity
Environmental Scan

What is the international leadership role of the SG in advancing the agenda of rehabilitation, survivorship and quality of life issues?

- What are the key gaps?
- What would be “timely” for us to address?
- What is already covered by groups other than MASCC?
- What collaborations do we need to maximise our impact?
- What would be our next initiatives?

Key issues raised to date:

- PRO in routine care
- Implementation of exercise guidelines
- Addressing Financial Toxicity and its impacts
Dr Jacqui Frowen (Junior Faculty Member)
- Prevalence of patient-reported dysphagia and oral complications in cancer patients: An Australian study

Dr Micah D J Peters (Junior Faculty Member)
- Cancer care experiences and unmet needs of lesbian, gay and bisexual people with cancer: A systematic review of qualitative evidence

Dr Xiaotao Zhang (Trainee)
- Malnutrition and overall survival in older patients with cancer *Received by Beatrice Edwards
Questions and Answers

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