

NHS/HE Content procurement

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Structure of my talk

- New structures for consultation
- JISC partnerships
- Mapping study
- New partnerships
- Next steps

New structures

- SCONUL has established a Health Strategy Group
- Replaces NHS/HE Content Group as body which steers developments over content

□ <http://www.sconul.ac.uk/activities/health/>



New structures

- remit is to engage at a policy level with the NHS in the four home countries
- Ben Toth, National Library for Health, is current NHS representative
- I represent HE



JISC partnerships

- JISC has established an NHS/HE Procurement Group, which I chair
- JISC has reserved £100K in 2004-05 budget for procurement activities
- NHS will be asked to provide partnership funding
 - according to the Barnett formula



JISC partnerships

- Group is in the final stages of agreeing separate deals for two pieces of content
- Public Library of Science
 - Payment of Author-Pays charges
 - Linked to future implementation of RCUK policy on deposit of funded research outputs
 - Formal policy statement expected soon



JISC partnerships

- Discussions are well advanced with Lippincott, Wilkins and Williams for e-access to their journal content
- Common NHS/HE licence has been agreed



Mapping study

- Scoping study to map procurement of e-resources for health care licensed by the NHS and HE
- An important road map
- Work already progressed in Scotland and Wales

Mapping study

- NHS LKDN (Library and Knowledge Development Network) will provide £10K
 - See <http://www.lkdn.nhs.uk/>
- JISC will provide matching funding
- JISC will manage an ITT
- NHS/HE Procurement Group will act as Project Board

New partnerships

- Links established with UMSLG
 - University Medical School Librarians Group
 - <http://www.umslg.ac.uk/umslg.html>
- Malcolm Teague and I both spoke about the NHS/HE Forum at annual meeting in March 05



Next steps

- Publicize two deals for joint procurement of content
- Work with JISC and national press on this work
- Secure £100K in JISC budget for 2005-06 to continue work

Next steps

- Build relationships with M25/London Health Libraries
 - <http://www.m25lib.ac.uk/m25sec/business/health/healthhome.html>
 - the only cross-sectoral HE/NHS grouping in the UK?
- Continue to work with publishers to secure deals

And so...

- Questions and comments gratefully received