NHS-HE Forum
Information Governance Working Group

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Information Governance Working Group

- The Group mainly deals with
  - Information Governance Toolkit
  - NHS Digital Framework Contract
  - NHS Digital – Data Sharing Agreements
  - Close working relationship with NHS Digital
- 36 Organisations are represented on the group
- The group meets 3/4 times a year, holds Training days, and part in Consultations.

Group Interactions

- Bridget Kenyon meets with Prof Martin Severs

- Bridget Kenyon is also a member of the Research Advisory Group

- Representation with SIGN (Strategic Information Governance Network)

- Representation on the IGT working group.

Data Security Standards

- 10 Standards – centred around 3 leadership obligations around People, Process and Technology.

Highlights or main differences;

-All Staff need to complete training.

-12hr Turn around for report of Breach/incident?

-Tested continuity which includes Disaster recovery /breach incidents.

-No unsupported Operating Systems or Internet Browsers

-Cyber Essentials Accreditation

Patient Consent and Opt-Outs

- Trust is a big driver

- 8 point model

- NHS Digital the only recommended safehaven and provider of Annonymised health data.

- Consent – 2 questions. Consultation has shown that patients want more choices.

- Cost

Ongoing Discussions

- Information Governance Toolkit vs Data Security Standards
- Information Governance Toolkits and Related Agreements in Higher Education and Research – 1 Toolkit argument.
- Training
- New NHS Digital Framework Contract is due.

Newcastle University and IGT

- Based our model of implementation on UCL

- Aim of creating a system to be able to produce Toolkits as required.

- Submitted 1 Toolkit and have 7 others registered to be submitted by the end of March.

- 18 months to get to where we are currently.

Questions?