

## The Association of Coloproctology of Great Britain and Ireland

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## **ACPGBI Chapter Update**

Date: 9<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Chapter: NE Thames

Chapter Representative: Tamzin Cuming

## **General update**

Tamzin Cuming -new Chapter rep since end of August 2018.

I have emailed to the list which seems to be mainly consultants regarding a/ an upcoming course and b/ forthcoming meeting: what is their agenda?

Areas brought up for discussion by the members:

- Pelvic floor guidance -requested by some in view of current uncertainty with meshes
- Research networks
- Regional variations in provision and training

Upcoming/ future plans

Upcoming meeting: Wednesday May 1<sup>st</sup> 2019 (mooted date – to be confirmed and sent out)

UCLH (or Homerton)
0945-1700 with drinks after

Pelvic floor session Shahab Siddique/ Richard Cohen/ Praveen Bandipalyam/ Arifa

Siddika

Pelvic floor research Charlie Knowles

Robotic operating/ TATME tbc

Regional variation using NBOCAP Anna Wordley (nurse consultant)

Regional variation for anal cancer Tamzin Cuming

Management: issues as a clinical director/associate medical director/regional

Adnan Alam/Mike Machesney/Helen Pardoe

Trainee presentations with prize – 4-6 oral presentations.

Other suggestions included: mechanical bowel prep/ preop oral antibiotics/"how terrible it all is"/ training inequities



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Forthcoming course: advertised through ACPGBI but organised by ICENI by Toby Hammond and Prof Roger Motson

• International Masterclass on Complex Fistula in Ano with – Garg from India etc 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> November, flyer attached.

Positive comments from being approached by the members

- Need for a regional flavour to the meeting to address concerns
- Issues with training, gaps in rotas, burnout

Other research / audit / education to be reported next meeting with more feedback.