OPAT WORKSHOP 2025

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Welcome to the OPAT Regional Workshops 2025

Workshops will take place between June - September 2025.

BSAC are delighted to welcome you to this one-day regional workshop on Outpatient Parenteral Antimicrobial Therapy (OPAT).

The OPAT initiative is a multistakeholder project that supports, guides and encourages the establishment of standardised OPAT services throughout and where ever the need may arise. This workshop is bringing together OPAT experts and we hope that you take the opportunity to share expertise, discuss success stories and learn about upcoming challenges in the OPAT setting. BSAC is very grateful to the range of companies present for their support of the workshops which enable us to keep registration fees to a minimum. We would encourage you, if you feel able, to please support our sponsors by visiting their stands during the networking breaks.

This workshop is CPD accredited and a link to download your certificate will be sent via email after the conference closes.

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0930

Registration

1000

Welcome and introduction

John Boyes, Consultant Medical Microbiologist, Gloucestershire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

1005

BSAC OPAT Initiative overview – Where are we now?

Andrew Seaton, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde

SESSION 1: Local discussion (part 1)

1020

Short courses in Bronchiectasis

Rachel Scott, North Bristol NHS Trust and Maria Miles, Bristol

1040

Dalbavancin for routine OPAT... Expensive? Can we afford?

Alice Liu, Gloucestershire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

1100

OPAT delivery – are nurse filled pumps at home the way forward?

Yasmin Elmasry, University Hospitals Plymouth NHS Trust and Anthony Orchard, Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

1120

Q&A

1135

Break

SESSION 2: Local discussion (part 2)

1205

Virtual ward – experience so far

Morgan Rayner-Philipson, UHB Trust

1225

Changing landscape of OPAT in Bristol – opportunities and challenges

Maha Albur, North Bristol NHS Trust

1225

Ongoing success and challenges of paeds OPAT service over the last 10 years

Kelly Wallsgrove, University Hospitals Bristol & Weston

1245

Q&A

1300

Lunch

SESSION 3: Spotlight on -Infective Endocarditis

1400

Infective Endocarditis

Martin Williams, Bristol

1430

Discussion of local issues/lessons

1520

Summary of day & closing remarks

John Boyes, Consultant Medical Microbiologist, Gloucestershire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust and Sally Tipping, Specialist Antimicrobial Pharmacist, Royal Devon & Exeter Hospital



Maha Albur

North Bristol NHS Trust

A front-line NHS Consultant in Infectious Diseases & Medical Microbiology at North Bristol NHS trust with over 10 years of clinical infection experience. He is currently clinical lead for internationally reputed Bristol Antimicrobial Reference Laboratory, and Bristol OPAT services.



John Boyes

Consultant Medical Microbiologist, Gloucestershire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

Dr John Boyes has been a **Consultant Medical Microbiologist** at Gloucestershire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust since 2011 during which time he spent several years as Infection Control Doctor for GRH before taking on Departmental Clinical Lead in 2018. He has won both local and National awards for his work on Point of Care influenza diagnostics and more recently has been instrumental in the Department obtaining accreditation as an HSST training centre, driving workforce diversification with the addition of a GP with special interest in infection as part of the clinical team

and, since May this year, taking on the inaugural position of Clinical Lead for Infection Sciences within the West of England Pathology Network (S2).

He has a keen interest in quality improvement and improving antimicrobial stewardship and sepsis outcomes through education, improved rapid diagnostics and clinical multi-disciplinary working. He'd prefer to be on the golf course though!



Yasmin Elmasry

University Hospitals Plymouth NHS Trust

Yasmin Elmasry is an advanced specialist pharmacist in antimicrobial stewardship and OPAT at University Hospitals Plymouth. Her interests are in researching the impact of the multidisciplinary team on patient care within the OPAT setting and enablers to reduce health inequalities within the Devon area. She has previously completed a HEE clinical academic research internship focusing on the role of pharmacists within OPAT services and has recently started an NIHR funded internship to continue her work.



Alice Liu
Gloucestershire Hospitals NHS
Foundation Trust

Alice Liu - Antimicrobial Pharmacist at Gloucestershire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust with special interest in antimicrobial use in critical care setting, high cost antimicrobial drugs and OPAT; has introduced Baxter elastomeric pumps for bronchiectasis patients in OPAT setting to reduce hospital admission for intravenous antibiotics and recently set up a virtual ward in Trauma Assessment and Treatment Unit (TATU) to treat moderate/severe Skin and Soft Tissue Infections (SSTIs) with intravenous flucloxacillin via BBraun elastomeric pump.



Maria Miles
Great Western Hospital Bristol

Maria is an IMT2 trainee currently working in Great Western Hospital who is interested in respiratory medicine and medical education. She is currently undertaking a MSc in Medical Education.



Anthony Orchard

Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

Anthony has been qualified for 20 years, initially ED background and for last 15 years he has worked for Acute care at home, initially in the Central and west of Cornwall and more recently in the North and East.



Morgan Rayner-Philipson

North Bristol NHS Trust

Morgan Rayner-Philipson is a trainee in medical microbiology and infectious diseases in Severn Deanery. He has completed the diploma in tropical medicine and hygiene and has an interest in the development of virtual ward services for infectious diseases.



Rachel Scott

North Bristol NHS Trust

Rachel Scott is a Severn respiratory trainee with an interest in respiratory infection, in particular pleural infection. She is currently doing a PhD at the University of Bristol looking at risk factors and management strategies for pleural infection.



Andrew Seaton

NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde

Andrew graduated from Aberdeen in 1989 and trained in General Medicine/ infectious diseases in Dundee and Papua New Guinea. He was appointed consultant physician in Glasgow in 2000 and he is an Honorary Professor in the University of Glasgow. He established and leads the NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde OPAT service and Antimicrobial Management Team. He Chairs the Scottish Antimicrobial Prescribing Group and represents Scottish OPAT teams on the Scottish Government Hospital at Home service expert advisory group. Andrew is the current President of BSAC, he co-leads the BSAC OPAT initiative and coproduced the BSAC OPAT MOOC on future learn. He has >170 peer reviewed publications.

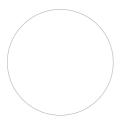


Sally Tipping

Specialist Antimicrobial Pharmacist, Royal Devon & Exeter Hospital

I have worked as a hospital pharmacist throughout my career, specialising in antimicrobials since 2007. Having completed a masters at Imperial in Infection Management. with associated research into management of Urinary Tract Infections, I have since focused on advancing antimicrobial stewardship and tackling antimicrobial resistance within the acute sector. I have a particular interest in enhancing collaborative working within stewardship and have led on a variety of quality improvement projects related to collaborative management of infections. I have been involved in the development of multidisciplinary teams at two hospital trusts that deliver and support OPAT services in the Wiltshire and Devon areas.

I am a member of BSAC council, being actively involved in development of their global antimicrobial education programs.



Kelly Wallsgrove

Bristol Royal Hospital for Children

Kelly is a registered children's nurse and non-medical prescriber working at Bristol Royal Hospital for Children. Qualifying in 2012 and have a background in general paediatrics, community nursing and adolescent care. Joining the Paediatric infectious diseases and Immunology team as the lead OPAT Clinical Nurse Specialist 8 years ago.

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