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European Task Force on Geriatric Emergency Medicine (ETGEM)

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December 13-14-2014

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- ” Christian Nickel (SW)
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- ” Richard Wolfe (USA)
- ” Jay Banerjee (UK)
- ” Marc Sabbe (BE)
- ” Olivier Ganansia (FR)

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- ” Simon Mooijaart, (NL)
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- ” Anna Björg Jónsdóttir (IS)
- ” Maria Fernandez (ES)
- ” Regina Roller-Wirnsberger (AU)
- ” Fredrik Sjöstrand (SE)

Organisation of the Meeting

Day 1: Saturday, December 13-2014

- “ 10 AM: Welcome
- “ 10:30 to 11:00: Introduction
- “ 11:00 to 12:30: subgroups work
- “ 12:30 to 13:30: slight lunch
- “ 13:30 to 16:30: subgroups work
- “ 16:30 to 17:00: Break
- “ 17:00 to 18:30: subgroups work
- “ 19:30: Dinner

Day 2: Sunday, December 14-2014

- “ 9:00 AM: Welcome
- “ 8:30 to 12:00: subgroups work
- “ 12:00 to 12:45: slight lunch
- “ 12:45 to 14:30: Presentation by subgroups reporters and discussion
- “ 14:30 to 15:00: Synthesis, agenda and dead lines, closing meeting

Methodology

GEM Curriculum Group

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- “ Christian Nickel (SW, secretary)
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GEM Research Group

- “ Abdel Bellou (FR, chair)
- “ Fredrik Sjöstrand (SE, secretary)
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- “ F. Javier Martín-Sánchez (ES)
- “ Marc Sabbe (BE) represented by Els Devriend (BE)

Because of short time the mission of the Task Force meeting is to propose the Road Map for the next months.

Each Group has to work on respective objectives and produce a comprehensive draft document.

Saturday will be an intensive day of work.

On Sunday each group reporter will present production for discussion with the whole Task Force. The meeting will be ended by a synthesis and proposed deadlines for the Task Force.

Context (1)

- “ Older population is growing continuously all over the world particularly in western countries.
- “ 15 to 25% of Emergency Department (ED) patients are older patients.
- “ Older patients are experiencing the same acute diseases than younger but the presentation is often atypical and outcomes (mortality, morbidity) worse.
- “ Frailty is one of the most important risk factors.

Context (2)

- “ Health Care of older population is a Global challenge and is considered as a priority because of specific outcomes and increasing economical cost.
- “ Different innovative care processes have been implemented for improving older patient care in EM settings (geriatric emergency department, geriatric mobile unit, geriatric consultation, acute geriatric unit, pre hospital nurse management...).
- “ But few randomised intervention trials have been published to show significant older patients care improvement through outcomes as mortality and morbidity.

Why a European Task Force on GEM?

- “ Despite implementation of innovative care processes in EDs and pre-hospital in Europe:
 - (1) there is no GEM curriculum
 - (2) there is a lack of EM professionals training on GEM
 - (3) there is a lack of relevant research studies in EM settings
- “ This Task Force will be permanent to guaranty a productive continuous collaboration between EuSEM and EUGMS in the field of GEM with the objective to improve the quality of older patient care in EM settings.

Decisions

- “ EuSEM decided to create a section of GEM in March 2013.
- “ The section decided to merge efforts with the interest group of the EUGMS:
 - first by organising joint sessions at EuSEM congress in Marseille in September 2013 and Amsterdam in September 2014 and at the EUGMS congress in September 2014 in Rotterdam.
 - second by creating the Joint Task Force with the support of both societies and composed by members from EuSEM and members from EUGMS.

Principal Objectives of the Task Force

- “ (1) To develop a European Curriculum on GEM.
- “ (2) To propose a draft for a European Course on GEM.
- “ (3) To develop European Research on GEM.
- “ (4) To organise scientific joint sessions at EuSEM and EUGMS congresses.
- “ (5) To submit two papers on the GEM curriculum and GEM research in the European Journal of Emergency Medicine.
- “ (6) Production of a European Text Book on GEM.
- “ (7) To set a strategy for getting finances to support Task Force activities.
- “ (8) To set quality indicators and guidelines

Slide 1 & 2 for the meeting GEM Curriculum

” The Group has:

- To define GEM: common language, EM settings (pre hospital-EMS, ED).
- To validate competencies needed for the best practice of GEM.
- To validate specific clinical questions of system based and organ based knowledge.
- To define the methodology for final validation process: Delphi method.
- To propose a outlines draft for a European GEM course.
- To review the literature and report experiences in the world.

ve 3 & 4 for the meeting GEM Research

“ The group has:

- To list the top 10 research questions related to improving older patient care in EM settings.
- To list the top 3 research priorities where the Task Force will focus.
- To define the methodology of literature review.
- To list institutions where research proposals will be submitted for getting grants. To discuss strategy for getting finances and shared budget between both societies.
- To set joint scientific sessions for EuSEM and EUGMS congresses.

Agenda and Deadlines

- “ January 2015: Validation of EuSEM (urgent) and EUGMS joint congress sessions.
- “ February 2015: validation of the curriculum and research priorities.
- “ March 2015: presentation of the work progress to the Council of EuSEM. To confirm a meeting with the board of EUGMS.
- “ October 2015: publication of a GEM book.
- “ May 2015: draft research review and GEM curriculum papers.
- “ June-July 2015: submission of the two papers in the Journal of Emergency Medicine.
- “ November 2015: Presentation of the GEM Curriculum at the UEMS EM and Geriatrics sections. Dates to be confirmed.