TERMS OF REFERENCE

Name

West Midlands Regional (Obstetric) Ultrasound Group (RUG) Workforce Subgroup

Background

The Subgroup was convened by the RUG in September 2007 to look at obstetric ultrasound workforce planning and education.

Role/Purpose

The purpose of the Subgroup is to provide a multidisciplinary forum to:

- To identify, review, and address issues relating to the development and training of the obstetric ultrasound workforce in the West Midlands.
- To collate and evaluate relevant policy, guidelines, innovations, and evidence and make recommendations to the RUG, where necessary.
- To oversee the delivery of the project (SHA Investment bid) in accordance with its aims, objectives and deliverables.
- To share regional best practice and innovations.

Governance

The Chair of the Subgroup will update the RUG on the progress of the Subgroup at each RUG meeting.

Decision-making is by consensus.

The agenda is open to any issues raised within the group, and will reflect the program of changes being brought forward by the SHA Workforce Deanery, NICE, BMUS, NSC, and the RCOG.

Membership

Subgroup membership will be multidisciplinary and representative of all professional groups undertaking obstetric ultrasound.

The following organisations will also be represented; Birmingham City University - Postgraduate Medical Ultrasound, Perinatal Institute, and West Midlands Workforce Deanery.

Meeting arrangements

The group is supported and hosted by the Perinatal Institute.

Papers will be circulated not less than 3 working days prior to the meeting.

Date of last review:

June 2009