

Radiotherapy Late Effects SIG Annual Report 23/24

History

The Late Effects SIG (LE SIG) was established on 11th May 2020. Membership has increased steadily to 151 including members from all 4 nations.

- Initial launch meeting 17th September 2021(online)
- Annual face-to-face meetings 11th November 2022 (Gloucester), 18th September 2023 (London), 1st October 2024 (Derby)

All meeting agendas and minutes are documented on the SIG webpage

Annual Meeting 1st October 2024

LE SIG Chairs from University Hospitals of Derby and Burton. Harrisons Hub, Pride Park Derby
9.30-4.30pm

Members of the LE SIG attended the annual meeting held on 1st October 2024 in Derby. Monica Thornton and Jo West were thanked for their hard work as chairs by Emma Hallam (co-chair). Unanimous decision for chair to be moved back to Lisa Durrant on behalf of South West Radiotherapy Late Effects Services (SWRLES), co-chair Emma Hallam

No changes were made to the Terms of Reference, membership is currently restricted to Therapeutic Radiographers who have an interest in setting up or running a late effects service. The ToR will be reviewed again at the next annual meeting to reflect changes from the SoR that non-members of the SOR can now join SIGs ([SoR-SIG-guidance-v4-1-0823.pdf](#))

Those attending the annual meeting were treated to expert talks regarding hypnotherapy (Dr Sara Partridge), PBM therapy (Emma Hallam), vulval pain and sexual difficulties (Dr Shuchi Dixit), social prescribing (Malcolm Gallon) and empathy fatigue (Dr Kirsty Williams). Local services and staffing were discussed, celebrating the hard work of radiographers around the UK and the shared challenges of funding, sustainability and recognition.

The 2025 Annual Meeting was proposed to held in the South West.

Activities relating to the LE SIG

Discussion board for themes relating to symptom management pathways, training and competency, referral pathways, business cases, service costs.

Study Days: British Society of Sexual Medicine, BGCS webinar, ESTRO,

SoR activities for Late Effects include: Synergy publication ([How collaboration is making a big impact in the field of pelvic radiotherapy late effects](#)) and late Effects session at the Annual Radiotherapy Conference 2024.

Lisa Durrant on behalf of the LE SIG.