UK Health Security Agency

Patient Radiation Incident Analysis Steering Group (PRIASG)

Terms of Reference

Remit

PRIASG is established by the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) to support the coordination of efforts of UKHSA, NHS England, NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership, relevant professional bodies and service users to improve patient safety in clinical imaging, MRI and nuclear medicine across the UK.

PRIASG provides a forum for the discussion, review and progression of current matters associated with the safety of medical exposure of patients to ionising radiation in clinical imaging, MRI and nuclear medicine.

1. Develop, review and improve data analysis and dissemination of findings to facilitate learning opportunities.
2. Improve learning from incident and near misses through ongoing development of the analysis of these events through reactive and proactive means.
3. Identify mechanisms for disseminating key learning from the UK and international community.
4. Review of taxonomies at an appropriate frequency, considering changes to clinical practice.
5. The group will support or inform the patient safety aspects of new guidance as appropriate.

Member Organisations

Members will be nominated from each of the following organisations as members of their professional and standards council (or equivalent)

Medical Exposures Group (MEG), UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA)

Institute of Physics and Engineering in Medicine (IPEM)(DR, NM, MRI)

Royal College of Radiologists (RCR) (DR, NM, MRI)

Society of Radiographers (SoR) (DR))

British Institute of Radiology (BIR) (DR)

British Nuclear Medicine Society (BNMS) (NM)

British Association of Magnetic Resonance Radiographers (BNAMRR) (MRI)

Lay Representative

Corresponding Member Organisations:

Care Quality Commission (CQC)

Healthcare Improvement Scotland (HIS)

Healthcare Inspectorate Wales (HIW)

Regulation and Quality Improvement Authority (RQIA)

NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership (NHSWSSP)

Patient Safety Team, NHS England (NHSE)

Meetings

PRIASG meetings will be chaired by a member of the UKHSA Medical Exposures Group (MEG). PRIASG will meet at least twice a year on MS Teams or, if required, in person. Additional meetings may be held by agreement of the Chair as and when required.

The quorum for a meeting will be the Chair and at least 5 individuals from member organisations

MEG will provide secretariat for PRIASG meeting agenda will be compiled by MEG with items proposed by the attending members. Minutes will be produced for each meeting by MEG for agreement by the membership and shared with corresponding members once approved. Work may be completed via correspondence, as required.

The Group via the Chair shall co–opt as necessary, community wide expertise, for specific matters.

Group Membership 2026-2027

Members	Corresponding Members
Úna Findlay (UKHSA) Louise Fraser (UKHSA) Yvonne Kinsella (UKHSA) Niamh Kirk (UKHSA) Amina Powell (UKHSA) Emma Fower (UKHSA) Laura Burns (UKHSA & Secretariat) (Lay Representative) (SoR) (RCR) (IPEM) (BIR) (BNMS) (BAMRR) Co-opted Members (TBC)	Tracy Bradshaw (CQC) Zoe Weaver (HIW) Kevin Freeman-Ferguson (HIS) Philip Lowry (RQIA) Jonathan Webb (NHSWSSP) (Patient Safety Team, NHSE)

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Membership

- Role descriptions outline the responsibilities of PRIASG members
- Membership of the steering group will be reviewed every 2 years
- Members will be expected to demonstrate a commitment to the work of the group through attendance at meetings and active participation
- All members will serve a fixed term of 3 years. Current members are eligible to apply for an extension with agreement from the Chair.

Governance

PRIA SG will adhere to UKHSA policies on openness and freedom of information.

UKHSA quality standards for guidance will be followed for all publications.

Members are required to declare conflicts of interest.

Confidentially clause

Review

Terms of reference and group membership will be reviewed annually.

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