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### **NEWSLETTER APRIL 2014**

Dear Colleagues,

UKCS has been round again and there was a very good turn out in London with over 300 paying delegates. Not such a good turn out for the AGM maybe due to the fact that after a fantastic annual dinner and masked ball in Drapers Hall many folk had difficulty getting out of bed for the 7.45am start. We were quorate (just).

The AGM was devoted to several important issues, firstly the development of the constitution. The draft constitution has been available on the UKCS website for comment and has received no adverse comments. Suggestions have been made that the committee, consisting of honorary chair, secretary and treasurer should be expanded to include past, present and future chairs of the annual meeting, to encompass corporate memory, and include representation from several different professional groups.

Re-certification in urodynamics was discussed and the process will be formalised as the first cohort from initial certification are now due three years on and due for re-certification. The numbers certified are steadily growing. A plan is underway to introduce courses to aid with the re-certification process.

The other big item on the agenda was the proposed launch in September of the Minimum Standards in Continence Care. Hopefully this will be a valuable resource for implementation of the updated NICE guideline in female urinary incontinence (CG171 2013), and link with the NICE Quality Standard in Urinary Incontinence in Women which is being developed in 2014. The launch will probably take place in Basingstoke, keep looking on UKCS website for details which will also be emailed out to members. New committee posts will be announced and voting take place at the launch of the minimum standards.

UKCS 2015 will take place in Aberdeen. The chair of the meeting is Dr Mohammed Abdel-Fattah, he is developing a website, details will be on the UKCS website when available. Keep a careful eye on the website as the deadline for abstracts may be earlier than usual.

Kind regards

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