File Note from SCI Gateway Short Life Working Group

2nd Nov 2018.

Prelude

SNUG Exec had raised concerns again at the apparent lack of communication about the situation with SCI Gateway and the void around governance arrangements that appears to have been the case for more than a year. This was considered unacceptable given the mission critical nature of SCI Gateway functionality for the NHS in Scotland.

Short Life Working Group

This was established to bring some focus to some of the risks and development needs following the system failures of last year. Chaired by Lesley Donovan and supported by a number of clinicians from CCLG, they have met a handful of times and have brought some focus to the development process. The last meeting was on 2nd Nov 2018. A number of issues were considered.

Clinical Dialogue Pilot and functionality.

This has been progressing with a trial initially for Neurosurgical referrals in GGC. More recently it has been developed to support NHS Highland although some local issues have resulted in slower than idea progress.

There had been some issues with the ability to upload the file of the dialogue / conversation into SCI Store. Some changes in the next release (20.5) will allow for new message types that should make this easier but there is further testing and investigation required to make this robust. The solution developed to support the NHS Highland work could be scalable. The challenge is in finding a once for Scotland Approach where SCI Stores are managed by local HBs. There was also a need for some checking about the mechanisms for writing these message types back to Docman and or GPIT systems.

Release 20.5

Progress on the next version of Gateway is well on track. This is expected in early 2019. The highlight report attached outlines this.

Referral to Social Work

This is being worked on in Grampian. The information governance issues have been mostly sorted out but progress has been a little slow.

Coms and Testing.

There is a clear need for improved Coms and although NSS provide updates in its regular reports these are not very digestible for the average GP consumer. So we need to find a better way of circulating digestible updates

The group will meet again in January

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