

BCS Member Group Chair's Report

AGM 11 November 2024

Member Group Name:	BCS Health & Care Scotland
Year:	2023-2024
Report Completed By:	Dr Katie MacLure

Group Chair:	Dr Katie MacLure
Group Treasurer:	Sharon Levy
Group Secretary:	KM covering
Social media	KM covering
Group Inclusion Officer:	Dr Heather Strachan
Early Careers Officer	Dr Elena Beratarbide
Other Committee Members:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sue Long (not heard from since last AGM)

Successes

Please list the top three successes the group has achieved in the past year.

Success	Additional Comments
1. Contributed to DigiFest2023/4 by sponsoring and running the Poster sessions.	Looking to have someone shadow with a view to KM handing over.
2. Continued with the Derek Hoy Memorial Lecture.	SL and HS organised and ran this event which was once again attended by a very appreciative Mrs Christine Hoy.
3. Ran online events, talks and Journal Clubs, covering a wide range of health and care professional activities with speakers from across the world.	We still need to focus on encouraging participation with the wider membership of the group. It has been really challenging to get committee members to attend and contribute to meetings and events.

Plans

Planned Activity	Additional Comments
1. Continue to be involved in DigiFest, chairing the abstract panel, sponsoring and presenting the ePoster sessions	This is a key conference in digital health led by Scottish Government. The Steering Group, which KM attends throughout the year, meets monthly then weekly nearer the event. Our group sponsors the Poster Abstract prizes this year without the need for an SFR as the event is virtual. KM chairs the review panel and runs the poster presentations at the event. Winners and runners-up are invited to speak to our membership.
2. Continue the Derek Hoy Memorial Lecture	Attracting strong, highly recognised speakers. Organised by SL and HS subject to SFR.
3. Run pre-DigiFest satellite events	For 2024, linked a talk from our Treasurer, Sharon Levy, with the AGM.
4. Deliver a wide range of talks to our membership to help build networking and involvement	We continue to arrange a diverse range of talks including the Derek Hoy Memorial Lecture, DigiFest BCS H&C Scotland prize winners, BCS BMJ HCI Journal Clubs and more.
5. Continue to contribute to related BCS Groups	These include the BCS Faculty of Health & Care (formerly known as the BCS H&C Executive) and BCS-in-Scotland meetings.

Impediments

Please list and describe the top three impediments stopping you from succeeding in your group's ambition and support the BCS vision of "Making IT Good for Society."

Impediment	Description
1. Covid-19 continues to impact much of our membership from attending committee meetings	People may have less availability or less enthusiasm for more screen time. Some prefer face-to-face events with more social activity.
2. Committee meetings have been poorly attended impacting our ability to take decisions and plan for future meetings.	We have only had KM, SL and HS attend the few meetings and events in 2023-24.
3. Organisation of events has been largely led by KM, SL and HS (DHML).	Both have established networks and find no difficulty in arranging events with excellent

speakers. HS was instrumental in organising the DHML. Events should be a committee wide activity to ensure inclusion.

Past & Future events		
Workforce, Digital and Practice: the case for lifelong learning in professional development Sharon Levy (UK)	11 November 2024	SL
Journal Club: Bibliometric analysis of the 3-year trends (2018–2021) in literature on artificial intelligence in ophthalmology and vision sciences Dr Hayley Monson (Canada)	3 September 2024	KM
All things digital health and social care at the ALLIANCE Chris Mackie (UK)	30 July 2024	KM
The Derek Hoy Memorial Lecture: Reflections on collaboration in Health Informatics through the lens of epistemic justice. Prof Suzanne Bakken (USA)	25 July 2024	HS, SL
Journal Club: Codesigning health technology interventions in perioperative care Dr Sarah Joy Aitken (Australia)	2 July 2024	KM
Journal Club: Mapping loneliness through social intelligence analysis Dr Hurmat Ali Shah (Qatar)	4 June 2024	KM
NHS Scotland Counter Fraud Services and general fraud awareness Gary Watt (UK)	25 May 2024	KM
Journal Club: Navigating the electronic health record in university education Dr Brian McMillan, Dr Kurt Wilson, Prof Angela Davies (UK)	7 May 2024	KM
Unlocking data for research that improves health, wellbeing and care Prof Roger Halliday (UK)	25 April 2024	KM
Performance of large language models on advocating the management of meningitis Dr Urs Fisch (Austria)	2 April 2024	KM

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<p>A framework for embedding digital inclusion in health and social care Aaron Slater & Dr Tara French (UK)</p>	<p>26 March 2024</p>	<p>KM</p>
<p>Journal Club: How to organise a datathon for bridging between data science and healthcare? Insights from the Technion-Rambam machine learning in healthcare datathon event Dr Leo Celi (USA), Constanza Vasquez (Chile) and Rogers Mwavu (Uganda)</p>	<p>5 March 2024</p>	<p>KM</p>

Further Comments

- We offer a unique network of people and events and see more people coming forward wanting to be involved in Making IT Good for Society
- We offer a fusion of academic, clinical, social care and industry links and have experienced leaders, aspiring professionals (students) and people in early and mid-career
- We are positioned to support national and international efforts to promote and support digital health and care informatics