

Professional Network and Diversity Officer

End of year report 2019

The role of the Professional Network and Diversity Officer was redefined as a result of the MACP Executive Committee Strategy Review in mid-2018.

In the interim the role of diversity has been subsumed into all of the MACP Executive Committee activity.

1. Represent the MACP, it's aims and objectives within the CSP and other professional networks eg: ARMA
2. Liaise with other Professional Networks to establish and develop areas of common interest and mutual benefit.

Below is a table representing the activity around professional network in 2019.

Topic	Report
Working with other organisations	<p>As part of the MACP Strategy review we felt that the MACP should focus on a few key organisations to network with.</p> <p>Networking with MACP members: Through social media activity, a resurgent 'Touchnote' and a change in the website, there has been an array of activity to engage with the members. See other reports for more details.</p> <p>Networking with ARMA (Arthritis and Musculoskeletal Alliance): We have seen MACP Fellow Ruth Sephton and Rob Yeldham from the CSP become an elected ARMA Trustees. This is a great representation from the physiotherapy profession with the charity.</p> <p>We have engaged with ARMA's promotional activities around events such as World Spine Day as an example via our social media outlets.</p> <p>We have contributed to feedback sought on a Prevention Green Paper.</p> <p>ARMA conducts a Policy and Comm's meeting which we link in with to ensure the MACP has a voice on issues that arise.</p> <p>Activity in late summer sought input from Paediatric physiotherapists and an MACP member who responded to a call on Twitter has been in touch with ARMA to contribute with their specialist background.</p>

Working with Professional Networks:

Networking with the CSP:

ARC Conference summary report:

Following the change in the funding process for Professional Networks the MACP via members of the Executive Committee raised our concerns around the the capitation and engagement processes with the CSP. The motion was successful and has been passed to the CSP Council to consider. We are currently awaiting a response. We were joined in the motion by the other members (ATOP and APPN) of the PN MSK Alliance to raise the issue which has been a useful exercise to encourage broader engagement with the other members of the network.

There are plans to meet at PhysioUK 2019 to look at a range of issues we share across the network and the outcome of this will be reported at the December 2019 Executive Committee meeting.

Whilst at the conference we had an opportunity to meeting with the CSP Student representatives to share how the MACP can support physiotherapists' career pathway.

Through wider activity of the Committee we have been engaged in supporting the PhysioUK 2019 musculoskeletal stream through consultancy, poster reviews, offers of academic support for presentations.

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