AIMS & OBJECTIVES

Scottish Multiple Sclerosis Register April 2015

1. AIMS

The Scottish Multiple Sclerosis Register (SMSR) aims to improve the care of people with multiple sclerosis (MS) by the use of systematic, comprehensive audit of their diagnosis and early management providing feedback through regular reporting and annual review of performance against national neurological standards.

2. OBJECTIVES

- Establish and maintain relevant high quality validated datasets;
- Establish and maintain efficient process for collection of SMSR data;
- Regularly review evidence based national standards of MS care;
- Monitor compliance to the agreed national standards of MS care;
- Ensure timely and accurate reporting of results;
- Establish analysis of variance in a timely, objective manner and ensure appropriate action is taken when necessary in line with clinical governance, e.g. Health Board Review Meetings as necessary;
- Support staff to use the data effectively to drive improvement in delivery of MS care at a local level;
- Collaborate with other agencies to develop quality improvement initiatives;
- Encourage secondary data use to aid research and practice development both at a local and national level;
- Identify specific aspects of care that would benefit from review using sprint audits;
- Raise awareness of standards of MS care delivery in hospitals across Scotland by publishing an Annual National Report; and
- Share best practice with colleagues, e.g. Annual National SMSR Meeting.