

GREEN GROUP : RESOURCES & TOOLS

SOLUTIONS:

Again, a brainstorm followed by an attempt to categorize people's ideas under money, structures and data. It was quite hard to think of anything where we could have much influence. In the open session people then added actions/ideas where they could think of any, and examples of success stories. Some people put names to the ideas.

Money

- Funded support for cross NHS-University secondments in OR and analytics. Action – grant apps. By research orgs. Examples: PenCHORD – HSMA programme, CORU embedded researchers etc.
- Incentives for work that leads to sustained improvement (award, funding other resources). Could be from NHS England, Research Councils, third sector): (*Tom Woodcock*)
- Encourage Networking. Pay for conference attendance. Sponsorship Pot? Host seminars and visits. Senior manager/analyst teams. *Sarah Deeny*

Structures

- What research is needed? – what tools, resources etc. Who: MASHnet
- Identify & develop analytical communities of interest around specific issues (NHSE) *Charles T*
- Publicising 'high bangs per buck' analytical work.
- Map the landscape. – which local NHS orgs, trusts, etc have an OR resource. Who: Us (asap).
- Create a taxonomy of common health care delivery problems amenable to OR/AA

Data

- Data should come back to people who record it. It should not just 'feed the beast' / (government). Action: information team.
- Make useful tools and techniques for download and use by healthcare analysts via website (eg. AphA or other site?) – where possible (eg Excel based tools, By: anyone who has developed a useful too. Question – who would fund this? – Is there resource in NICE to use appropriately?
- Local data ownership. Create a two-way street.
- Do an OR/analytics plan/strategy. (DH, NHS)
- Crowd source personal data (universities). *Sally B*
- NHS Firewalls –enable dropbox, twitter etc. *Julie V*
- Ask NIHR about issues accessing data – barrier to research. Who: HF or someone else important in the room.
- Whole community to push for better access to data e.g. data lab provision by NHS digital. *Stephen L -See comment re NIHR powerful if also from NHSE*
- Lobby NSCIC/NHS Digital about being less restrictive on sharing the data they hold. When: ASAP. Who: all those working on research to improve patient care.