

Collaborative Name	S W London
Date of Event	September 28 2006
Attendance	Hilary Fife; Howard Smith; Cathy Wiles; Ray Phillips (SHA); Susan Hollins (LC).
Summary of discussion	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Discussion about the size and membership of the Collaborative in the light of the two proposals to create either N and S London Collaboratives or a pan – London Collaborative. Colleagues thought that two Collaboratives would be possible, while recognising the benefits of a pan-London structure, with an annual meeting, while maintaining smaller, local groups. It was also recognised that there are significant cultural differences of approach by part-time colleagues to attendance at meetings Colleagues thought that It is important to recognise the values of the group /Collaborative in relation to the task required. This involves a development of trust and is an ‘emerging conversation’. In addition the question has to be asked: In what ways can the chaplaincy workforce best organise itself in a viable creative ways? E.g. sharing good practice; improving/developing the workforce in line with NHS modernisation; having a formal link with the SHA. 2. Responses to the Baseline Questionnaire focussed on the need to reframe some of the questions to gain a higher quality of response. It was also suggested that a statistician be used to check the validity of the questions. 3. Local issues: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. There is recognition that although financial cuts had affected some chaplaincy services, none of the services in S W London were directly affected. b. Increasing the hours for the staff counselling service, although there is no funding for this, and trying to find the right moment to submit this request. c. Consolidating the bereavement service d. Maintaining and improving the chaplaincy profile e. Recruitment of locum chaplain to forensic service (0.5) prior to post becoming permanent from April f. How to develop community orientated chaplaincy services for MH patients g. KSF and appraisals – getting good systems for these in place. While the Annual Review is a good thing to do the challenge is to create the space in which to approach this task creatively. h. Concern how the chaplaincy service can develop in the midst of major cuts. i. How chaplaincy looks after its staff
Summary of action agreed	1. Send to SH detail of all chaplaincy involvement in HEI training E.g. theological training/supervision of ordinands etc; Nurse and Medical student training etc.

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