UPDATE AND PICTURES FROM SCIMP CONFERENCE (http://www.scimp.scot.nhs.uk/conference_2009.html)

The 2009 SCIMP annual conference was held on 3rd & 4th November at the Doubletree Hilton Hotel, Dunblane and was attended by around 250 delegates and exhibitors from a varied range of Health Service professionals and suppliers.

Dr Paul Miller, Chair of SCIMP 2009 Conference

The conference appears to have 'hit the spot' with delegates as shown in this extract from the feedback questionnaire.

Has the conference provided you with any ideas that you might consider implementing locally?

Yes	49.1%
Possibly	42.1%
Total	91.2%

If you attended the conference last year, was this year's overall standard

Better	54.5%
About the same	36.4%
Total	90.9%

Was there enough time for discussion and networking?

Yes	84.7%

Was the conference

The right length	94.9%

Was there enough time allocated for visiting the exhibitions?

Yes	81.4%

Did you enjoy the after dinner entertainment?

Yes	73.3%

Joan Jamieson receiving her certificate as winner of the SCIMP Poster Prize from Dr Libby Morris

The conference organisers are very pleased with this feedback, perhaps most importantly the fact that over 90% felt that the conference provided them with something which they felt could be implemented locally.

Janice Caithness, on behalf of the MIDIS team, receiving their certificate as winners of the SCIMP IT Award from Dr Libby Morris

H1N1 information on SCIMP Website (http://www.scimp.scot.nhs.uk/H1N1_Influenza.html)

In conjunction with the Scottish Government Health Directorates, SCIMP have produced guidance for practices relating to IT issues that may present when dealing with the H1N1 Influenza pandemic. The document relating to immunisation has been updated to Version 4 (issued on 15.12.09) with additional information, particularly relating to pregnancy coding, issues with vaccine coding and allergies to the vaccine. These documents will be updated again as more information becomes available and as the software systems make further developments.

Test patients

Test patients should never have a CHI number on the system as this could be transferred onto other databases such as SCI-DC and SCI Store and overwrite records belonging to an existing patient. There have been incidents where overwriting has affected whether patients routinely receive their retinopathy screening invitations.

Updates to the Gpass Data Protection Summary (DPS)

Practices are required to send a summary of all clinical information when a patient moves to a new practice. Different systems have different methods of doing this but the current Gpass DPS is not user friendly for the new practice so a new Patient Transfer Summary has been developed. This summary will include all Palliative Care data, F3 Clinical Notes, F3 Adverse Reactions and Values. It is recommended that practices produce this transfer summary and include it in the Docman transfer when a patient transfers to another practice. Information on how to do this is available at http://www.scimp.scot.nhs.uk/eRecords_docman.html

Some useful links:

Emergency Care Summary - Scotland's Health on the Web (http://www.ecs.scot.nhs.uk/epcs.html) gives up to date information on the electronic palliative care summary (ePCS) which is part of Living and Dying Well, a national plan for palliative and end of life care in Scotland.

The latest Emergency Care Summary newsletter is now available (http://www.ecs.scot.nhs.uk/). The latest guidance on access and FAQs have all been updated and there is news of new developments such as the Scottish Ambulance Service access.

A paper providing hints and tips for SCCRS-GP system backfill is available at SCRRS hints and tips (http://www.scimp.scot.nhs.uk/documents/HintsandtipsforSCCRStoGPsystembackfill.doc) which many practices have found to be very helpful.

The PSD eMedical programme latest newsletter (http://www.scimp.scot.nhs.uk/documents/Exchanging-Issue7-Final-October2009.pdf) gives an update on Docman transfer and development of the electronic transfer of records. Further information can be found on the PSD website http://www.psd.scot.nhs.uk/professionals/medical/DocmanTransfer.html

Please note that the SCIMP website (http://www.scimp.scot.nhs.uk/)is a reference resource which is regularly updated for practice staff and others to access when needed. Please do not download copies of the website onto your local servers as these versions will quickly become out of date.

A copy of the SCIMP newsletters are sent to all practices so staff should be aware of the SCIMP website and the information/guidance on it.