



Paper for Information: Matters arising

Agenda Item: 1

Please see attached paper for information that details actions from previous meetings.

SMCN: Matters Arising Action Checklist

ITEM	TASK	ACTION
Agenda Item 1 Matters Arising	Secretariat to check whether the Early Nutrition report is available from The Stationery Office (TSO) as a purchasable hard copy.	The report is available from The Stationery Office (TSO) as a purchasable hard copy.
Agenda Item 2 SMCN/11/03 Terms of Reference for the Subgroup	The revised wording for the Terms of Reference of the Subgroup, incorporating the Subgroup's comments, should be presented to the main SACN Committee for agreement at the next meeting on 19 October 2011.	Actioned. The Terms of Reference for the Subgroup were presented at the main SACN meeting in Oct 2011. The Committee agreed the ToR subject to minor amendments and the revised ToR have been published on the SACN website.
Agenda Item 3 (SMCN/11/04) Timing of folic acid supplementation for prevention of NTDs	Secretariat to write to the Association for Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus (ASBAH, now known as SHINE – Spina bifida, Hydrocephalus, Information, Networking, Equality) to inform them of the conclusions of the Subgroup.	Actioned. The Secretariat wrote to SHINE in November 2011. Copies of the letter will be tabled for information at the January 2012 meeting.
Agenda Item 5 Review of complementary and young child feeding SMCN/11/06 (plus annexes) <i>Composition of human breast milk</i>	<p>Secretariat to tabulate the nutrients where a specific increment has been established for lactation in the COMA DRVs report and in the US Institute of Medicine (IoM) Dietary Reference Intakes report (e.g. calcium, selenium, iron and energy).</p> <p>Secretariat to prepare a table detailing the nutrients where dietary intakes of the mother may modify breast milk composition.</p> <p>Secretariat to approach the COT to determine the latest advice on the transfer of contaminants and alcohol via breast milk.</p>	<p>Actioned. The Dietary Reference Values for lactating women have been tabulated. These will be presented at the January 2012 meeting for discussion under agenda item 2 (SMCN/11/02).</p> <p>Actioned. A table containing this information has been prepared and will be presented alongside the DRVs for lactating women. These will be presented at the January 2012 meeting for discussion under agenda item 2 (SMCN/11/02).</p> <p>Actioned. The SMCN Secretariat met with the COT Secretariat / FSA colleagues in Nov 2011. FSA colleagues have agreed to prepare an introductory paper for the February meeting of the Committee on Toxicity</p>

<p><i>Duration of exclusive breastfeeding and timing of introduction of complementary foods</i></p>	<p>Secretariat to scope the literature for evidence relating to the duration of exclusive breastfeeding and the timing of introduction of complementary foods</p>	<p>to agree their involvement in this aspect of the review and the approach they should take. Sarah Hardy from the FSA will provide an update on this at the January 2012 meeting under agenda item 3.</p> <p>Actioned. Papers identified by the Secretariat have been included in the meeting pack of papers circulated to the Subgroup ahead of the 31 January meeting. These will be discussed under agenda item 2 (SMCN/11/01).</p>
<p><i>Allergens</i></p>	<p>Secretariat to determine whether there are any large-scale studies (other than the LEAP and EAT trials) on the introduction of allergenic foods, which have recently reported.</p>	<p>Sarah Hardy from the FSA will provide an update on the FSA food allergy research programme at the January 2012 meeting under agenda item 3 (SMCN/11/03).</p>
<p><i>Diversification of the diet and acceptance of complementary foods</i></p>	<p>Secretariat to approach external experts to carry out the task of reviewing the existing literature on aspects of behavioural psychology in relation to the diversification of the diet.</p>	<p>Secretariat have contacted Dr Lucy Cooke (UCL) who would be happy to present to the Committee on her work in relation to diet diversification at an appropriate time. She has recommended two papers on this subject which have been included in the meeting pack of papers to be circulated to the Subgroup ahead of the 31 January meeting. These will be discussed under agenda item 2 (SMCN/11/01).</p>