

Summary of key messages and action items
Governance Group meeting, November 11 2014

KEY MESSAGES

The former reference group and sub-groups have been reconfigured into a Governance Group overseeing the work of four working groups, each with a goal based on prior Strategy work. This is to be outlined in more detail at the Scottish Strategy for Autism Third Annual Conference. The NES Framework and AAA's work on improved diagnosis times is planned to roll out for national implementation and feedback at the Conference. Autism Network Scotland will have an enhanced role in the new configuration, providing administrative support to the working groups; communicating key messages to stakeholders; and collecting and collating feedback for working group chairs to use in guiding their work forward. The National Autism Coordination Project will create links between local authorities and provide support in development and implementation of local area autism plans. There is renewed enthusiasm around moving the Scottish Strategy for Autism forward and the goals are being narrowed and clarified by the working groups as they prepare to start their work. There is an understanding among all involved that wider engagement is key and that multiple feedback channels will be utilized as work progresses to encourage participation from all who wish to be heard.

NEW ACTION ITEMS

- 1. ACTION ITEM:** TW to send schedule of group meetings to Governance Group (DONE)
- 2. ACTION ITEM:** PM to send Social Work group member names to TW. (DONE)
- 3. ACTION ITEM:** TW to send Doodle Poll out to determine best dates for next two meetings. Under consideration are March: 10 or 17; June: 16 or 23 (DONE)

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