

BACPAR Work Plan 2021 - 2022

The2021-2022 work plan was drafted following the March 2021 BACPAR Executive Committee meeting in line with discussions had and available for comments by Committee members.

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| **BACPAR objective** | **BACPAR work plan related item** |
| 1.To encourage, promote and facilitate interchange of knowledge, skills and ideas between members of BACPAR | * Plan and deliver joint meeting with the Vascular Society 1-3rd December in Manchester (Cross ref with Obj 3)
* Regional Reps to provide study days and be a resource for their members (cross ref with Obj 4). Reps are working on shared resources for training and virtual options as needed.
* ‘M’ level learning – promoting ‘M’ level amputee rehabilitation course with University of Southampton. BACPAR continuing as Initiating Stakeholder. Standalone module option also available as well as the full programme.
* Encourage members to be part of Exec and Sub-committees both at AGM and via regional reps
* To maintain the Amputee rehabilitation iCSP site as valid and current resource and discussion forum for the membership
* New BACPAR website is in development, resources being updated as needed and will offer better interface for members.
* Embrace social media opportunities to promote activities within the membership
* Continue to encourage members to join the closed Facebook group, take part in discussions, courses to be posted and documents to be added.
* Encourage dissemination of examples of learning e.g. posters at Conference, University of Southampton assignments, Bursary recipients reports in Journal
* To feedback research outcomes via journal, conference and regional study days
* Share examples of learning through audit, service development and initiatives via Journal
* Zoom membership continuing for BACPAR business as has been well used during Covid restrictions by many members of the exec.
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| 2. To establish and promote the implementation of best practice in the field of amputation and limb deficiency rehabilitation.  | * Update of Prosthetic guidelines has been completed and provided to each member with their journal. To continue to encourage its dissemination to prosthetic centres and other stakeholders.
* Ongoing working party to review evidence and update guidelines as needed.
* Consider production of video materials to compliment the new guidelines which could be available through the website / YouTube channel.
* Encourage audit by members against the new prosthetic guidelines and feedback to guidelines group of results to facilitate ongoing NICE accreditation and to journal.
* Continue to pursue accreditation of the guideline process with NICE
* Guidance for the Education of Pre-Registration Physiotherapy Students (2013) due to be updated
* Members to be encouraged /reminded about the availability of Education and Research bursaries to support CPD available guidance on iCSP and in the journal
* Promotion of the new Postgraduate Bursary to support higher level education approval (cross reference with Obj 4)
* Continue in collaboration with Humanity and Inclusion UK (HI UK) in development of new training materials for use in areas of emergency e.g. environmental / humanitarian disasters as requested
* Ongoing involvement in consultations and working parties as they occur related to Specialist Commissioning for the assessment and provision of specialist prosthetics (Cross reference with Obj 3)
* Work with ISPO / NHSE in the implementation of AMPROM (Amputee Rehabilitation Outcome Measures)
* BACPAR input into ISPO UL specialist group and outcome measures in LL prosthetic research (Cross reference with objective 3)
* Encourage BACPAR members attendance at ARC and development of motions
* Promote the new BACPAR website, when live, and encourage new membership registrations with new streamlined membership and renewal process in 2022.
* Availability of patient and public accessible information on BACPAR website
* Share best practice and encourage independence through educational opportunities
* Potential collaboration with ISPO and Exceed Worldwide aiming to develop a short course
* Promote the updated Physiopedia online amputee course which is offered to BACPAR members at a 10% discount.
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| 3. To improve communication and understanding between all disciplines working in the field of amputation and limb deficiency rehabilitation. | * Active representation in Specialised Commissioning particularly around development of Key Performance Indicators
* Use of social media

• Continued representation and/ or consultations with CSP, WCPT, ISPO, SPARG, WCPLLG, Vascular Society, Royal College of Surgeons, HI, BSRM, BAPO and prosthetic manufacturers and others* BACPAR input into ISPO UL specialist group and outcome measures in LL prosthetic research (Cross reference with objective 2)
* Representation on the council of the Vascular Society’s special interest group on peripheral arterial disease and amputation and in
* Collaboration with Vascular society for December 2021 ASM in Manchester.
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| 4. To improve post registration education in this speciality. | * Continue collaboration with ‘M’ level learning via University of Southampton
* Regional Reps to provide study days and be a resource for their members
* Plan and deliver joint meeting with Vascular Society
* Promote conferences, study days, scientific meetings by other related groups such as ISPO
* Promote reciprocal agreement with ISPO re membership rates for course fees
* Planning and publication of biannual journal (All cross ref with Obj 1)
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| 5. To encourage research in this speciality. | * Research Officer to encourage membership to continue to send information regards research development (currently a small database of audit/research projects) and its dissemination
* Dissemination of research bursary criteria and application form
* Monitoring and feedback from grants awarded
* Acknowledge, manage and monitor current relevant research requests and projects
* Ongoing work with various organisations and individuals undertaking research and audit projects within amputee rehabilitation and associated areas particularly in area of LL outcome measures at present with ISPO.
* Encourage students/post registration members to undertake and / or contribute to research
* Promotion and encouragement of prosthetic related research via the MSc dissertation module at University of Southampton MSc Amputation and Prosthetic Rehabilitation programme
* Feedback from recipients of research and education bursaries awarded by BACPAR in journal and at conferences
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| 6. To provide support and information between members and contact with similar organisations nationally and internationally. | * Supporting the regional representatives with a networking opportunity at Conference
* Chair / other representative to continue representing BACPAR at the Client Group Alliance, Physiotherapy Expert Reference Group and Professional Network meetings at the CSP
* Chair / other representative to represent BACPAR at ISPO conference
* To continue to support the World Physiotherapy Amputee Rehabilitation network through sharing appropriate information with its members
* Joint meeting with Vascular Society and involvement in various VS committees.
* Using social media to disseminate information
* Information for the non-amputee specialist – ‘so your patient is having an amputation’ publication on the website and ongoing dissemination. Content to be reviewed annually
* Closed Facebook page for membership
* CSP regional networks – to review and build on links between regional reps and CSP networks as appropriate
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Appendix of abbreviations

ARC Annual Representatives Conference

BSRM British Society of Rehabilitation Medicine

HI Humanity and Inclusion (formally Handicap International)

ISPO International Society of Prosthetics and Orthotics

NHSE NHS England

SPARG Scottish Physiotherapy Amputee Research Group

WCPLLG Westminster Cross Party Limb Loss Group