Events/Meeting Report

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Meeting/Event:	VPD CAG WEBINAR
Date of Meeting:	18/03/2021
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Details of the top actions points identified during the course of the meeting/event		
1.	Visual Processing Testing and information	
2.	Further training	
3.	Case discussions	
4.	Speakers such as Ed Psychologist	

Attendance at the meeting (please highlight):	**Excellent (well attended)**	Acceptable (some apologies)	Unacceptable (not quorate)

Was the agenda fit for purpose and reflective of the aims of the meeting or event	Yes and supported by survey monkey result

Narrative report of the key points of the event and action points

One hundred per cent of the delegates who completed the survey gained valuable information from the event and found it enjoyable.
Kathryn Whitfield's presentation was received well, and the feedback is similar presentations particularly on the range of specialist tests that are conducted as part of the visual processing difficulties clinic.
Ruth Ruddock and Jenny Martin's presentation on testing VPD patients virtually was insightful and delegates shared their experience and resources on electronic sources of testing visual perception.
Dr Jigs Mehta's presentation on making every contact count allowed delegates resources on how they may incorporate this into their consultations.
Sajida Hanif's presentation on stress and anxiety and building resilience opened discussions on the significance of signposting these patients for support and this is wide ranging from the patient and extending to parents too.
Dr Nadia Northway's update on training for VPD and setting this up as an online learning platform has been hugely appreciated with a keen show of hands wanting to enrol on the course. Nadia will also be setting up an online course for existing members who have completed the competency course to further enhance their knowledge and skills. This news was also taken on with excitement and has raised a keen interest.

Actions:

1. Progress with the course for training of Orthoptists wishing to extend their role into VPD. We hope this will be up and running before the end of 2021. Pending Nadia Northway.

2. Plan the next VPD CAG Day following suggestions from the survey monkey. The result was overwhelming that the virtual set up was preferred and allowing Orthoptists to access this afterwards in their own time was excellent.
    a. Include more information about visual perception
    b. Invite an Occupational Therapist to talk about their role.
    c. Information about how to perform VPD tests.
    d. Sharing of audits and how to complete these in VPD
    e. How to assess adults in VPD
    f. The relevance of auditory processing.
    g. Case discussions.

3. Arrange a steering committee meeting to discuss the above and to collaborate on the up coming course with Nadia.

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