



NHS-HE connectivity

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Background

- Every HEI has NHS links
 - medical students in DGHs, GP practices etc.
 - academic staff with clinical roles
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 - HE role for PAMs
- Plethora of local 'solutions'
- Efforts at rationalisation over the years
 - turnover of NHS staff

The Forum

- 6-monthly meetings
- RUGIT IT directors
- Chief Executive of UKERNA
- senior members of the NHS Information Authority
- academics in medical disciplines
- IM&T Directors from NHS Trusts
- Malcolm Read

Activities

- problems of interconnectivity
 - security concerns
- access to information
- UKERNA and NHSIA joint document
 - NHS/JANET Architectures
 - Andrew Cormack (Chief Security Advisor at UKERNA)
 - principles and potential architectures
- pilot projects
- reports from activities around the country

Proposal on NHS – HE Connectivity

- **To JISC and the NHSIA**
 - Roland Rosner (UCL), Robin Arak (UKERNA)
- **Coordination and support**
 - a connectivity website
 - model technical solutions and guidance notes
 - sizing the constituency, database of contacts
 - dissemination and public relations
 - assessment of the efficacy of the project
 - support for the NHS/HE Forum
- **A Coordinator**
 - £90k per annum - for two years in first instance
- **JISC approval for 50%, NHS share?**

Content and access issues

- Parallel activity
- Working Group
 - involving CURL and JISC
- Licensing issues etc.

Where next?

- NHS staff changes
- Separate connectivity and content groups?
- Broadband integration?

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