

# Pascom 10 – the ball is rolling now

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Since my last communication, much has happened. PASCUM (P-10) was launched on 1st May and some 71 centres have registered already, with approximately 100 podiatrists and 500 patient entries. Our trainers are doing a great job and this will be on going for the foreseeable future.

The Society is investing heavily on your behalf with this project and it will make a significant difference to both private and NHS evidence in time.

I have written to the Professional Practice committee to ask for its endorsement for the text free boxes for clinical notes to be accepted within the passport for good practice. Having used this on my own patients for clinical note taking, I realise how valuable this element will be for all clinicians and particularly for private practitioners who want paperless systems.

## Data transfer

A new benefit is the fact that you can transfer patient data to different sites. So if Mr X (podiatrist) treats Mrs White and Mrs White has been to Miss Y (podiatrist) and Mr X would like to know what was done, Miss Y can give permission to transfer notes across by a process of signing acceptance. Mrs White can take her unique P-10 code anywhere and give this to the next podiatrist who can then retrieve the previous episode history. We hope that in time all members using the system will appreciate the value of data transfer – private to NHS and vice versa.

## R&D committee

PASCUM has now joined up with the Research & Development group so is part of this committee although functions as a clear sub entity to service P-10. Alan Borthwick, R&D chairman, and the committee welcome the joint participation and we hope to drive through a strong evidence-based flavour to the product.

## New Society website and PASCUM

I am delighted to announce P-10 is working closely with the new Society

**IMPORTANT:** This site now contains active data from 21st April 2010. Do not use this site for test cases or practice. The training site can be accessed ONLY as part of User and Administrator directed training. Please do not use this site without supervision [training.pascom-10.com](http://training.pascom-10.com). No test data should be added to PASCUM-10 as it cannot be removed by Users afterwards and will invalidate results. To register you MUST communicate with a Trainer from the list first. If not authorised please do not access this location. Only members who are registered podiatrists with membership of the Society of Chiropractors and Podiatrists should use this site.

A total of 1 user(s) were active in the last 15 mins. Please enter your user name and password.

Internet Explorer Users: Please note PASCUM is optimised for Internet Explorer version 7+. Users still running version 6 are encouraged to upgrade to version 7 or 8.

Please Login:

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website and a section designed for our product will allow members access to a large amount of information including lecture presentations. This will come online with the new website. Watch this space!

## Non-surgery domains

Biomechanics and wound (tissue and foot at risk) are now being considered by specialist working parties. I am grateful to Emma Cowley and her team for the former and Michelle Spruce for the latter group in taking this work on.

At the meeting with R&D, Dr Jackie Campbell was pleased to learn that the largest group of general podiatry practice has not been left out. I hope to announce new developments for 2012 in this regard. Podiatry will have six distinct domains of practice, each gathering different clinical evidence. This is where we are going with the project.

## Health Professions Council

I am pleased to report that we have now informed the HPC in regard to P-10 and opportunities following an enquiry.

## Nail surgery and training to be a User

In addition to surgeons, all podiatrists need to consider the value in recording their nail and skin surgery.

Trainers are available by going onto our website [www.pascom-10.com](http://www.pascom-10.com) or go to pascom-10 using the feetforlife members' website and connect (see illustration of webpage).

Go to the information page to find one of our 30 trainers. Please do not select webmaster's addresses.

## MEETINGS FOR YOUR DIARY

**England:** Our last English session is on 13 September in Birmingham. Remember you need two days to receive your certification for training so you will also

need to participate in one of two days held in Edinburgh on 20/21st November.

We have places for 'administrators' who have been unable to obtain training for their own practices or NHS units. These are only open only to podiatrists.

*Consultant podiatric surgeons should not apply.* Most podiatrists will not want to be trainers and remain users. Please enrol with a local trainer. Podiatrists wishing to become administrators may enrol for Birmingham. Please note this is a half day course only costing £30.00 payable to the Society 'PASCOM'. Payment can be brought on the day. These will be half day only AM/PM.

**Administrators** perform the function as 'users' but are responsible for internal training for their Unit only and cannot train outside the centre. This group can handle data, admit new members to the system and act as reporters for their own centre data. 'Users' train for three hours while 'administrators' require more information. They cannot charge for services and typically would run their own private practice or share responsibility in an NHS centre with another colleague. More details are available on request.

Administrators work with trainers once a unit is set up and are expected to work with clinical governance and Trusts. We have a full suite of computers and webmaster trainers in attendance with live experience of the new PASCOM-10 system.

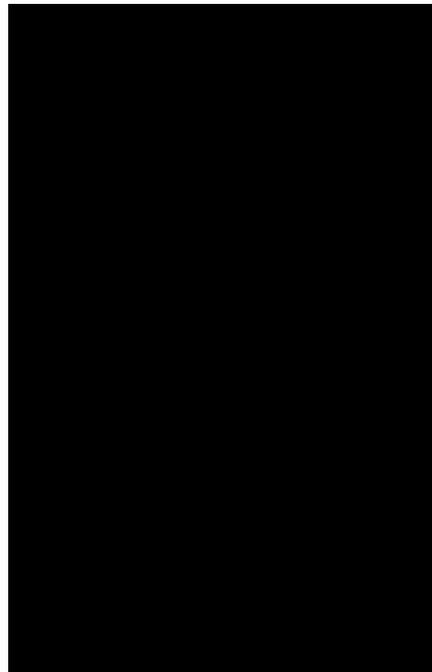
**Conference.** A small drop-in session is available at this year's conference on Friday 22 October at 8.30am with Suzy Taylor acting as session lead. Matt Fitzpatrick will be collaborating on practice management during Friday after I give a plenary on PASCOM in the main auditorium. Please visit us on the stand.

**Scotland:** The Society is now bringing Scottish members on board in a two-day roadshow on 20/21 November in Edinburgh. Six places have been allocated for English residents. Please start applying now as there are only 24 places.

**Northern Ireland and Wales:** If you are from Northern Ireland or Wales you can attend either Birmingham or Edinburgh on a first come first served basis. The working party team anticipate a two-day roadshow in Northern Ireland in March/April 2011 (TBA).

**Hong Kong / New Zealand:** I shall be in Hong Kong on 12-13 December and in

New Zealand on 20-31 December. Any Society member can contact me to set up a meeting and I will do my best to assist bringing you up to speed.



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