

## AOHNP (UK) – Update for POOSH Meeting on 14 June 2010

Our most recent meeting was held on Saturday 12 June in London. Plans are in place to update our webpage to make it more user friendly and informative. There is a drive to encourage shared best practice with member only access to presentations, forms and advice.

Our 2010 AGM and Best Practice Forum will be held in November in London. Our guest speakers for the 2010 BPF are currently being decided.

The Association has been in contact with Unite to discuss an alternative to the RCN.

Council for Work and Health.

Funding had been provided by DH to establish the Council for two years. The Council needs to formalise its structure and governance arrangements and develop a business plan so that it can operate independently and apply for funding in its own right.

A working party has been set up by the Council to review OH nurse training and the NMC. AOHNP is part of this working party. Areas of interest

- The importance of OH and OH specific training
- The competences required, including preventive work
- The need for standardised training
- The impact on training/funding of commercial rather than NHS OH provision
- The limitations of the current situation
- Specific recommendations

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