



The University of Glasgow and Pan-Scotland Collaboration

Implemented Activities

The medical schools of the Universities of Aberdeen, Dundee, Edinburgh, Glasgow and St Andrews, together with the dental schools of Aberdeen, Dundee and Glasgow worked in collaboration to produce a number of activities and establish the Clinical Undergraduate Research Environment in Scotland (CURES) programme that built on the impact of the first round of the INSPIRE programme. Activities carried out included:

A Launch Event:

- The national launch event took place at the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow in October 2014, as part of the annual Medical Undergraduate Research Forum hosted by the Glasgow Evidence Based Medicine Society and attended by undergraduate clinical students from across the UK. The Research Forum was comprised of a series of lectures from clinical academics from Scottish centres, together with workshops on academic interview technique, setting up a research project and how to make the most of an AFY rotation.

Joint Activities including a Journal Club and Near Peer Workshops:

- A videoconferencing network between Scottish Medical Schools has been established and joint journal clubs have been initiated.

Research Elective Bursary Scheme:

- The research elective bursary scheme provided students with financial support to undertake a 4-5 week summer studentship, during which time they undertook a small research project under senior supervision. The studentship could be undertaken at the applicant's base university, at another Scottish university or further afield.

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