

South Thames Paediatric Network (STPN) presents a joint meeting for SETPEG and SIPEG

Date: Friday 9th June 2023: The Children's Epilepsy Surgery Service (CESS) - patients, pathways and procedures: where are we now?

09.00 Registration – virtual

09.15 Welcome and introduction to the session

09.30 Introductory session: what is the CESS programme – the referral pathway – who, what and when to refer?

Dr Elaine Hughes (ELCH and Kings)

10.00 **Q/A Moderators:** Sally Watts (STPN) + Dr Kate Irwin (ELCH)

10.10 The presurgical pathway (1) – all about the scalp EEG in pre-surgical assessments: Dr Zaloa Agirre (EEG Dept, ELCH)

10.25 The presurgical pathway (2) – all about the imaging – MRI and PET – Dr Jo Jarosz (Neuroradiology, Kings) and Prof Alexander Hammers (PET centre, St Thomas' Hospital)

10.45 Q/A Moderators: Dr Dionysius Grigoratos (PRUH/King's College Hospital) and Dr Luigi D'Argenzio (St George's Hospital)

10.55 break

11.00 The presurgical pathway (3) - why wider assessments matter – the importance of neurodevelopmental, neuropsychological and child psychiatry input Dr Isabel Garrood (Neuropsychology Dept, Kings) and Dr Sulagna Chakrabarti (Child and Family Psychiatry team, Kings)

11.15 Case A – to illustrate the pathway (MRI positive case - Epilepsy Surgery Team)

11.30 Case B – to illustrate the pathway (disconnection rather than resection - Epilepsy Surgery Team)

11.45 Q/A: Moderators: Dr David McCormick (King's) and Dr Maria Garcia (Epsom Hospital)

12.00 break

12.10 The presurgical pathway (4) – more complex investigations. What is intracranial monitoring and when do we need it? Dr Nandini Mullatti (EEG Dept. King's College Hospital)

12.25 Case C – to illustrate the pathway (MRI 'negative' case - Epilepsy Surgery Team)

12.45 What does surgery involve? Emerging surgical treatments. Risk-benefits and outcomes – Mr Richard Selway (Epilepsy surgery, Kings)

13.05 Talking to families and to the young person about surgery and looking after them on the pathway before and after surgery – the role of the epilepsy nurse specialist and the therapy team - Robyn Greaves (CNS Kings) and Dr David McCormick

13.20 Q/A: Moderators: Dr Elaine Hughes and Rochelle Gilder (CNS Tunbridge Wells Hospital)

13.30 thank you and end