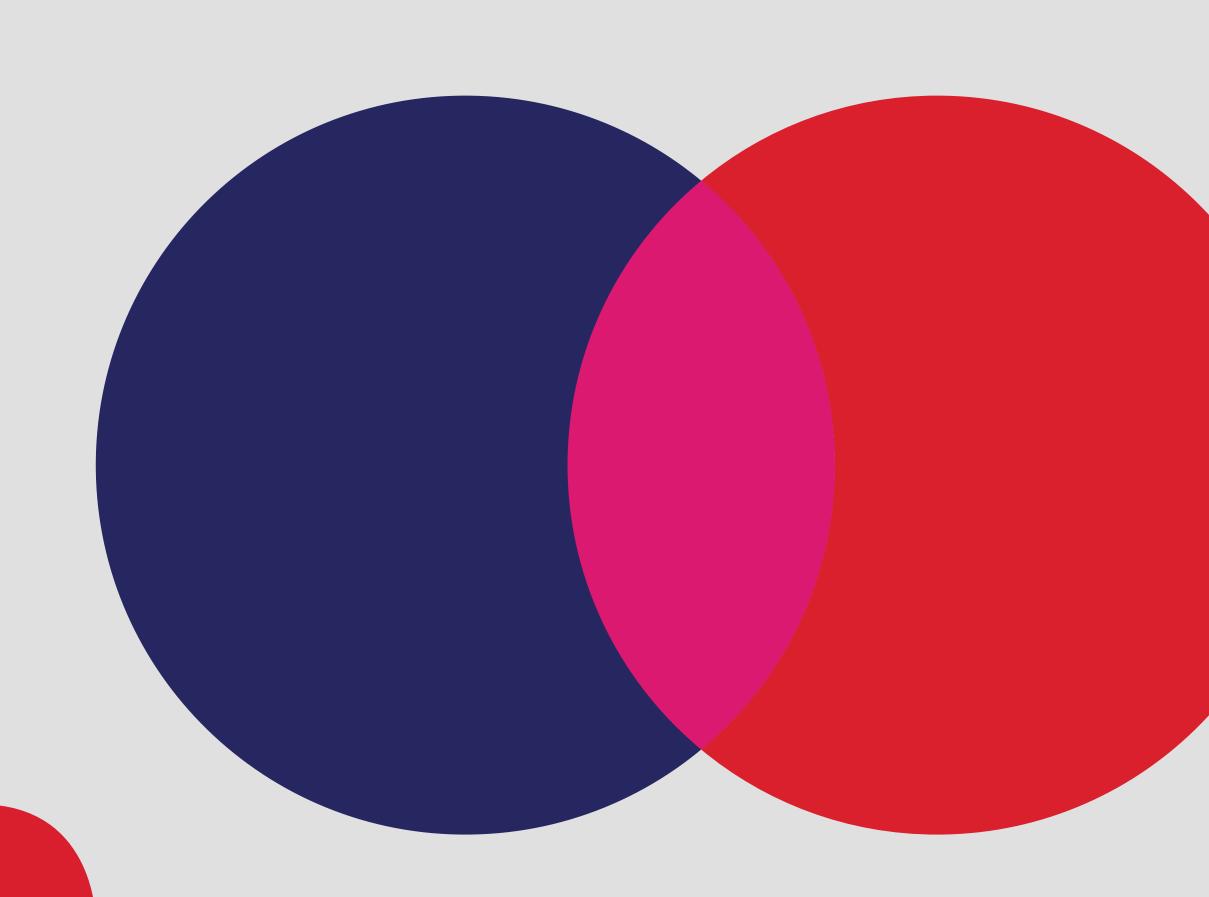
COLLABORATIVE WORKING BETWEEN MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS (MS) NURSES AND A PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANY: AN EDUCATIONAL PROJECT FROM THE CONSORTIUM OF MULTPLE SCLEROSIS CENTRES (CMSC) CONFERENCE, SEATTLE 2019

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Aim of the Poster:

To share recent experience at the Consortium of Multiple Sclerosis Centres (CMSC) conference as part of a small focus group of United Kingdom (UK) Multiple Sclerosis (MS) Nurses.

Why is this work important?

The main goal is to share knowledge gained at the conference and most importantly share best practice with the delegates and to the wider UK MS community.

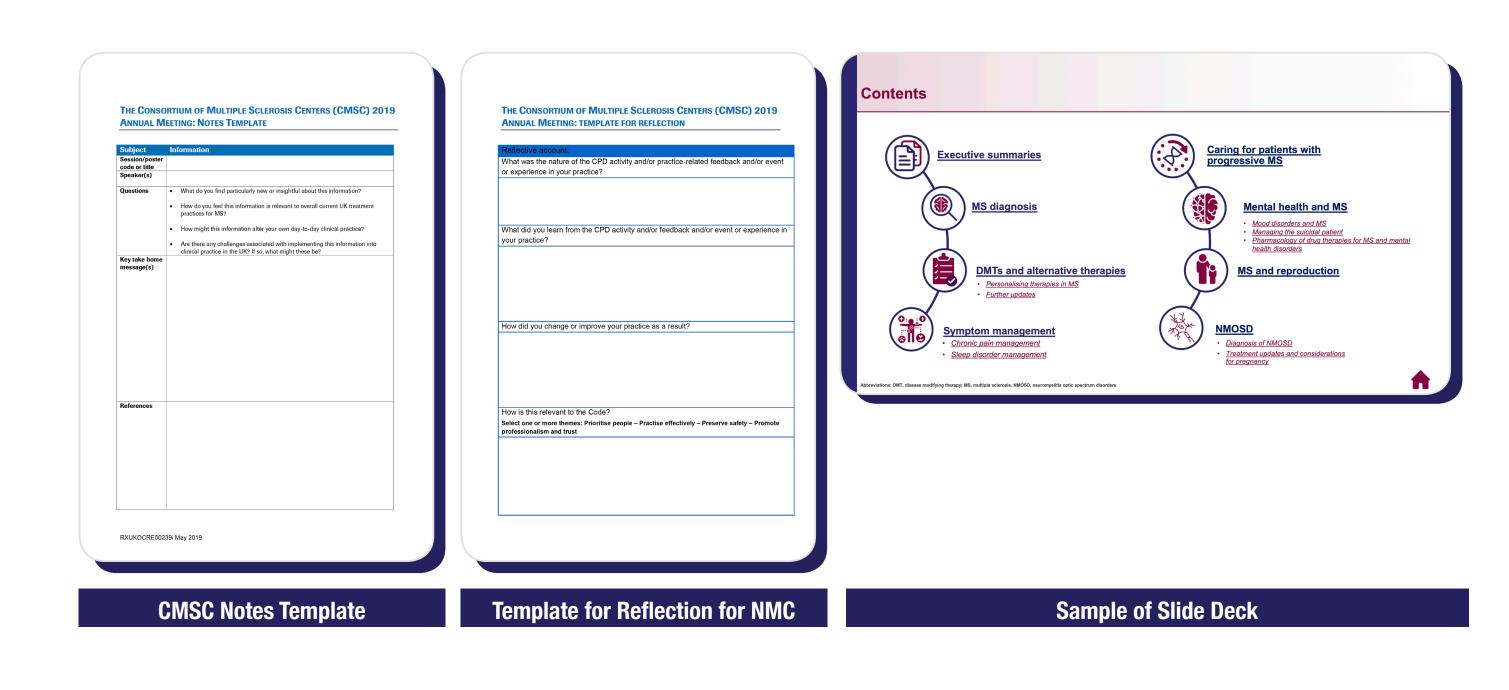
Briefly what was done:



Five nurses were supported by Roche to participate as a focus group of delegation to CMSC. The group met prior to the conference with the Roche team and a medical writer. The agenda was reviewed and relevant topics/ sessions were chosen and divided between the delegates, dependent on skill set and areas of interest and experience. The sessions

chosen were areas of interest not only from the delegate's point of view, but also what would benefit the wider MS community in the UK.

The delegates attended the sessions (including the poster session) and fed back key learning messages attained to the medical writer using an agreed designed template. The delegates also had the opportunity to share with each other current practices, challenges and share experiences from areas of practice. This provided not only clinical supervision, but also reflection of own practice.



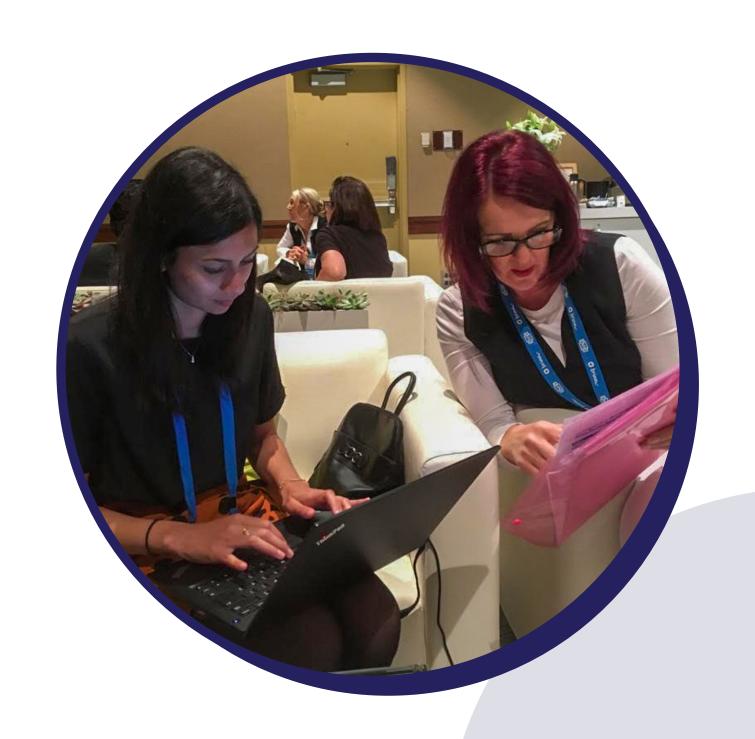


From the feedback of the delegates, the medical writer produced a slide deck. The slide deck was given to the delegates to keep and to present to local members of their team and to the wider region. In addition, this slide deck is the intellectual property of the five delegates and will also be available via the United Kingdom Multiple Sclerosis Specialist Nurse's Association (UKMSSNA) slide deck library.

Summary of Outcome:

This innovative project not only benefits the delegates, it also disseminates all learning and knowledge acquired to the wider MS communities. This way of working also provides greater transparency between the relationship of the sponsoring pharmaceutical companies and the delegates.

All feedback was given honestly and openly, consolidated by an independent medical writer. No restrictions nor directions were imposed or requested by the sponsoring company. The delegates unanimously recommend this strategy of working during conferences and perhaps should be adapted by the rest of the pharmaceutical industry and health care professionals.





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