

## **Continence Promotion Committee Annual Report**

### **Activities:**

- Conference call with Satya Vasan, Diane Newman, Jenny Ellis and myself to discuss some historical items and plans for the future. These include WHO designation of WCW, future of the public forum, as well as project and material development and possible restructuring within the committee for efficiency.
- An online survey was written by the chair and completed by the group with very good response rate. A review of this information will take place at the committee meeting to develop guidance for future plans and goals that will translate into clear action items. (See appendix for summary)
- Brian Buckley and Anita Saltmarche stepped down from the committee.
- The public forum was cancelled this year largely due to failure to identify a group with “feet on the ground” in Barcelona to handle the organization and planning. This was a difficult decision. The future of the public forum will be discussed at the committee meeting.

### **Requests and Considerations:**

- Some members of the CPC have raised issue with there not being a patient advocacy group represented on the Board of Trustees. This has also been a continuing issue within the CPC as individual patient advocates feel they are not getting adequate exposure.
- Would like the CPC workshop at the Annual Meeting be reviewed and approved by the Board rather than the education committee.
- Seems to be a “disconnect” between the CPC and the Board and we need to figure out how to close that gap and increase communication. Many CPC members do not feel the Board of Trustees supports the work of the committee.
- Concerned about the size of the committee and some inactive members.

### **Fiscal Requests:**

- I would again like to request funding for an interim meeting so provide continuity after the AGM and continue momentum of project and material development- approximate cost £25,000.