

Multidisciplinary treatment and care A Norwegian initiative for new specialty group in ERN-NMD



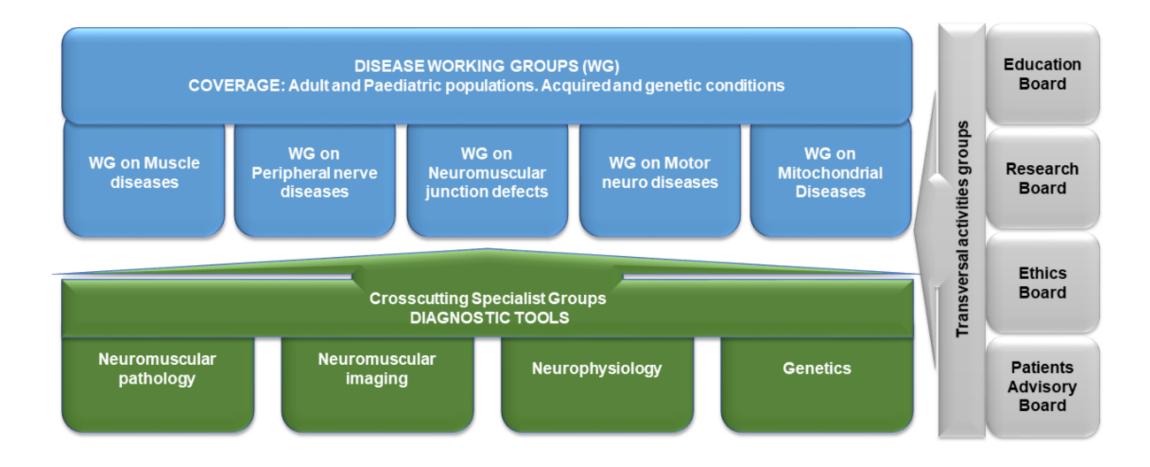








Current ERN-NMD groups











Treatment and care of neuromuscular disorders

- A multidisiplinary field
- Few non-medical members in the disease working groups and the specialist groups
- Same need for development and sharing of knowledge

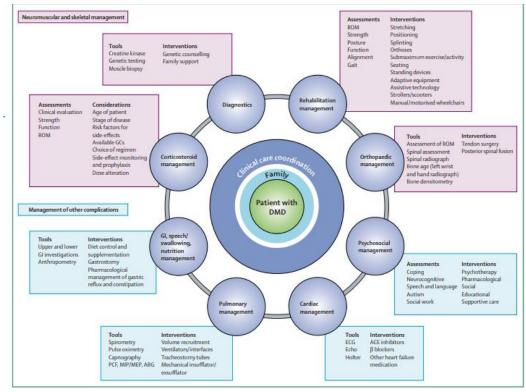


Figure: Interdisiplinary management of Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy. From Bushby et al., 2009, Lancet.









Multidisiplinary treatment and care

Open to all relevant professions involved in management and care of NMD

Cover the areas:

- Physical and occupational therapy
- Speech therapy and oral/dental care
- Dietetics
- Nursing
- Psychosocial aspects
- Social work
- Cognitive assessments and management









Proposed leadership of the group



Chair: Marianne Nordstrøm (PhD) Clinical Dietitan and Researcher Frambu Resource Centre for Rare Disorders, Oslo University Hospital and University of Oslo



Co-chair: Andreas D. Rosenberger (MSc) Clinical Specialist in Neurological Physiotherapy and Head of National Neuromuscular Centre, University Hospital of North Norway



Co-chair: Hanne Ludt Fossmo (MSc) Physiotherapist and PhD-candidate Oslo Univeristy Hospital and Vikersund Rehabilitation Centre



Co-chair: Kristin Ørstavik (MD, PhD) Senior Consultant in Neurology and Clinical Neurophysiology. Head of Section for Rare Neuromuscular disorders and EMAN, Oslo University Hospital.









Aims

Standardization and validation of multidisciplinary treatment of care by means of:

- Facilitate international multidisciplinary research
- Standardization of clinical outcome measures including patient reported outcome measures
- Family/patient centered care and empowerment
- Develop and endorse the use of evidence based multidisciplinary care guidelines
- Data mining registry projects
- Cross cutting with other working and specialty groups

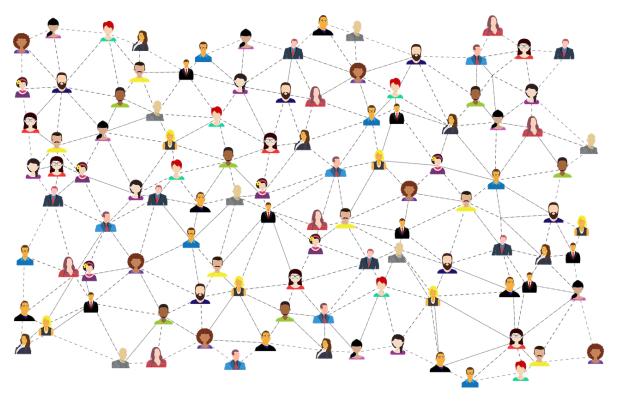








Activites



- Workshops to facilitate development and collaboration in research projects
- Arrange webinars on relevant topics to the specialty group







