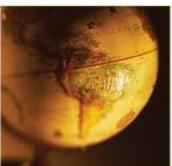


The National Travel Health Network and Centre (NaTHNaC)

Annual Report

2006 - 2007















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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Finding accurate, evidence-based information about global health events that have implications for the traveller is a challenging task. Making a confident decision about how to advise the traveller who wishes to avoid insect-transmitted or food and waterborne illness can be equally difficult. Over the past year NaTHNaC has been developing a resource that will help health professionals to readily obtain this information and form their advice to travellers. NaTHNaC has developed web-based country information that will link specific recommendations about what a traveller should do to protect themselves from illness with a comprehensive database of all global health events. This country information will be launched on the NaTHNaC website in September 2007 and should prove to be a key resource for both health professionals and travellers.

Other major areas of accomplishment over the last year have been:

- The NaTHNaC Yellow Fever Vaccination Centre (YFVC) programme. This programme has as its broad goals: setting a standard for yellow fever vaccination as mandated by the new International Health Regulations (IHR 2005), providing a reliable and high quality service for the traveller who visits a YFVC, and improving the overall care of international travellers. Nearly 3,000 YFVC received yellow fever vaccination training over the last year; much of this was provided by an excellent group of trainers that NaTHNaC recruited in early 2006. Following productive discussions with the Northern Ireland Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety, it is expected that Northern Ireland will join England and Wales in the NaTHNaC YFVC programme in the autumn of 2007.
- Our nurse advisors answered 9,982 calls on the NaTHNaC national advice line for health professionals. These calls represent some of the most challenging clinical scenarios for overseas travellers. Each call is answered by one of our experienced nursing staff and backed up by specific protocols and our travel health physicians. Analysis of the common queries informs the advice we provide as "Frequently Asked Questions" on the website.
- We reviewed 1,003 global health events and entered them onto our Outbreak Surveillance database. Ninety-two of these were reported on our website as "Clinical Updates" with an in-depth review of the event and specific guidance for both the health professional and traveller.
- NaTHNaC partnered with the International Society for Travel Medicine in February 2007 to run the first European review course for the ISTM Certificate of Knowledge examination.
- All clinical members of the NaTHNaC team were admitted to the newly formed Faculty of Travel medicine of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons (Glasgow), and Dr. Vanessa Field was elected to the Council of the Faculty.

The plans for the next year are outlined in the NaTHNaC Business plan and are summarised here:

- Complete the Country Information pages and post them on the NaTHNaC website.
- Complete the revision of *Health Information for Overseas Travel*, known as the 'Yellow Book', and publish this as both a hard copy and an on-line resource.
- Arrange for the printing and distribution of the new "Certificate of Vaccination or Prophylaxis" that will replace the International Certificate of Vaccination against Yellow Fever when the revised International Health Regulations (IHR 2005) come into force 15 June 2007.
- Revise the training packet for Yellow Fever Vaccination Centres.
- Continue to enhance our links and partnerships with stakeholders in travel medicine: particularly the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Health Protection Scotland, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (USA).
- Complete the analysis of the enhanced survey pilot for typhoid and paratyphoid fevers.

It is our firm commitment to provide the best advice and support for travel health professionals as we work together to achieve our goal of "Protecting the Health of British Travellers".

Professor David R Hill, Director Dr Nicholas J Beeching, Chair, Steering Committee

PROGRESS TOWARD MEETING THE NATHNAC OBJECTIVES

The following details our work and accomplishments during 2006-2007 toward meeting the core NaTHNaC objective of "Protecting the Health of British Travellers".

<u>Objective 1</u>: To develop consistent and authoritative national guidance on general health matters for health professionals advising the public travelling abroad, and to disseminate this information widely.

- Key membership positions on the following committees:
 - HPA Advisory Committee for Malaria Prevention (ACMP)
 - o Joint Committee for Vaccination and Immunisation (JCVI)
 - o Travax Advisory Board of Health Protection Scotland
 - London Area Malaria Group which has the goal of decreasing the burden of malaria in London travellers.
 - Tri-Forces Infectious Disease Group
 - o Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Consular Stakeholder Panel
 - o British Travel Health Association
 - o Royal College of Nursing Travel Health Forum
 - o Faculty of Travel Medicine Board, Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons (Glasg)

NaTHNaC plays an integral role in advising the committees on travel-related health matters, providing documents to support their opinion, and helping to reach agreement on policy.

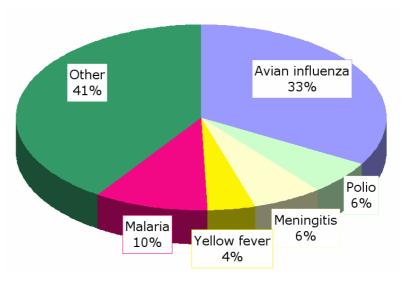
- Input to the JCVI on the new Green Book (Immunisation against Infectious Disease) published in November 2006. NaTHNaC contributed to chapters that deal with vaccines used for international travel.
- Contributed to revised ACMP Guidelines for the Prevention of Malaria in UK Travellers. This is the
 definitive guidance for the UK.
- Review of clinical queries that come through the advice line with the goal of developing evidencebased policy to deal with them and information for posting on the website in the form of frequently asked questions.
- Writing "Clinical Updates" for the NaTHNaC website (see next objective) that present important information on global health events that have implications for travellers.
- Developing country information for the NaTHNaC website for release in September 2007. This new initiative was developed as part of the revision process of the UK "Yellow Book" (Health Information for Overseas Travel). The new web pages will provide specific, accurate, evidence-based information and recommendations for each country and territory of the world. They will be linked to the NaTHNaC Clinical Updates, the NaTHNaC Outbreak Surveillance database (see next section) and the Foreign and Commonwealth country pages. The work has been led by Dr Vanessa Field with clinical input from Claire Stringer and the other members of the NaTHNaC clinical staff. The leads for the web development necessary to support these pages have been Naomi Bryant and Stella Bailey. Following a review of a pilot of the pages in March 2007, key changes and improvements will be made prior to the final roll out in September 2007.

Objective 2: To provide guidance on specific situations relating to the health of travellers.

• The NaTHNaC advice line provides advice to travel health professionals throughout the United Kingdom. It is designed to handle queries on travellers who have special health needs or those that are going on unusual or complex travel itineraries. From 1 April 2006 through 31 March 2007, 9,782 calls were taken, similar to the number taken in 2005 - 2006.

In an effort to better understand the experience of callers, NaTHNaC ran an online survey in September 2006 (http://www.nathnac.org/pro/news/survey.htm). Seventy-five advice line users responded; 95% of them were satisfied with the service, 97% stated they would use the advice line again, and 90% indicated that the advice they received was excellent. What the callers did highlight was their concern about delays in having their calls answered. The NaTHNaC advice line was developed with the remit of taking calls about complex queries, either because the traveller had special health needs or the itinerary was unusual or complicated. By their nature, these calls take a long time to answer. In addition, current staffing only allows NaTHNaC to have one adviser on the line at any one time. Lastly, our current call system does not allow efficient handling of calls that are waiting in a queue. To help deal with this, a capital bid was made to the HPA for a new centrally held server for the advice line that will improve the reliability of the line, allow multiple advisors to take calls simultaneously in the event of a public health emergency, provide more efficiency in dealing with calls that are waiting, and allow easier measurement of call statistics. This should help improve the service to health professionals.

The NaTHNaC "Clinical Updates" are a key feature of the website alerting the health professional and the traveller to important global health events and advances in travel medicine. The chart to the right details the types of updates that have been posted since October 2003 (256 of them in total and 93 in the last year). Some of the recent postings in the "other" category have been on rabies in Peru, trypanosomiasis in Malawi, and Rift Valley Fever in east Africa. Prior to posting, each Update undergoes а thorough review process that involves the TMHS and often other parts of the Health



Protection Agency, the Department of Health and the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, in addition to core NaTHNaC staff.

• There has been continued growth of NaTHNaC website usage, with more than a 1.1 million hits monthly in the last quarter from January through March 2007.

Objective 3: To carry out surveillance of infectious and non-infectious hazards abroad, producing accessible regular outputs of such surveillance.

- The Travel and Migrant Health Section (TMHS) of the Health Protection Agency takes the lead for work related to surveillance of imported infections in both travellers and migrants into England, Wales and Northern Ireland. In this role it provided NaTHNaC with day to day epidemiologic support.
- The TMHS provided quarterly reports on imported infections that were published in the Communicable Disease Report (CDR) (as of 1 January the CDR became the Health Protection Report (HPR)). Data on imported infectious disease for the years 2004 and 2005 will be published in August 2007.
- The TMHS produced regular contributions to the HPR and *Eurosurveillance Weekly* (both on-line publications).
- The pilot study of enhanced surveillance of typhoid and paratyphoid infections in England, Wales and Northern Ireland commenced in May 2006 and is set to be completed in May 2007. Preliminary analysis indicates that most enteric fever is imported from south Asia by persons of south Asian birth

or descent who are returning to the region for the purpose of visiting their family and relatives. A final report is due in late 2007.

- The TMHS has been a key player in a malaria capture-recapture study (done in conjunction with London regional Health Protection Unit and the HPA Malaria Reference Laboratory) that aims to estimate under-reporting of malaria.
- The HPA has been designated as the UK National Focal Point for communications with the World Health Organization on International Health Regulation (IHR) matters. Dr Jane Jones, Head of TMHS, leads for the HPA on implementation of the IHR. The close working relationship between TMHS and NaTHNaC ensure that international information from WHO that is important for travellers is communicated appropriately.
- The TMHS published the first report on Migrant Health. Infectious diseases in non-UK born populations in England, Wales and Northern Ireland. A baseline report 2006 (available at: http://www.hpa.org.uk/publications/2006/migrant_health/default.htm). Although the work on migrant health is not specifically part of the remit of NaTHNaC, there is close partnership between the section and NaTHNaC toward the common goals of understanding illness that affects all groups of international travellers. The overlap between travel and migrant health has reinforced the importance of the section addressing the public health aspects of both areas.
- Dr Jane Jones has been active in developing policy concerning tuberculosis screening in new entrants and health screening of asylum seekers in the induction centre setting.
- Dr Barry Walsh, Consultant in Communicable Disease Control and Director of the southwest London Health Protection Unit was seconded 0.3 wte to TMHS beginning 15 March 2007 for six months. This secondment is part of work to strengthen working between the Centre for Infections and Local and Regional Services on travel related issues within the HPA. We are delighted to have Barry as part of the NaTHNaC team.

Objective 4: To administer the Yellow Fever Vaccination Centres (YFVCs).

The past year has seen both consolidation and expansion of the NaTHNaC yellow fever vaccination programme. The hard work of the NaTHNaC team, led by Stella Bailey on the administrative side, has achieved wide success of the programme.

- NaTHNaC completed training all existing YFVCs following the requirement that all centres complete
 training to fulfil the designation requirements for YFVCs established in September 2005. From 1 April
 2006 through 31 March 2007, there were 2,280 centres trained during 75 training days. These days
 were delivered by both our core NaTHNaC staff and our competent and enthusiastic Associate
 Trainers (see listing for the names of our Associate Trainers).
- NaTHNaC visited representatives of the Northern Ireland Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety in Belfast in March 2007. The NaTHNaC programme for YFVCs was presented and productive discussions were held to define a way forward for Northern Ireland to join the programme. It is anticipated that Northern Ireland will adopt the NaTHNaC designation process in the autumn of 2007.
- Discussions were held with Health Protection Scotland about their programme for YFVCs. Key elements of the NaTHNaC programme will be incorporated into a process of designation specifically for Scottish YFVCs.
- Final negotiations were held with representatives of the Defence Medical Services for designating YFVCs within the armed forces. An agreement should be reached in Spring 2007 to bring all military centres within the UK under the NaTHNaC programme.
- Discussions were held with Sanofi Pasteur MSD (currently the sole manufacturer of yellow fever vaccine in the UK) about restricting vaccine distribution only to centres that had completed the designation process. This was to insure that no centre that had not fulfilled the requirements under

the NaTHNaC programme could administer yellow fever vaccine. This would further the goal of promoting a uniform standard within the UK and also assure the public that all centres giving vaccine were adhering to these standards. Following a series of communications with YFVCs, as of 7 March 2007, only centres registered with NaTHNaC were able to purchase vaccine. Following some initial adjustments, the process has now progressed smoothly, achieving the desired effect that every practice administering yellow fever vaccine in England and Wales has completed the requirements for designation.

- On 15 June 2007 the new International Health Regulations (IHR 2005) will come into force. IHR 2005 were approved by the World Health Assembly in 2005 and are an important step in the global prevention of public health emergencies. With the introduction of IHR 2005 there will be a change to the way yellow fever vaccination is recorded. It will now need to be written in a revised "International Certificate of Vaccination or Prophylaxis" that replaces the "International Certificate of Vaccination or Revaccination Against Yellow Fever". NaTHNaC is preparing for this important development by discussing how to print and distribute within the UK nearly 200,000 copies of the new certificate following a template to be issued by WHO over the summer.
- As of 31 March 2007 there were:
 - o 2997 YFVCs in England
 - o 109 YFVCs in Wales
 - o An average of 10 to 20 new centres joining the programme each month

<u>Objective 5</u>: To engage the major stakeholders concerned with travel health especially the travel industry, insurance industry and government bodies, to assist in sentinel surveillance and to engage in constructive dialogue towards a unified approach.

- The NaTHNaC Advisory Group provides important support, helping us to focus on the correct priorities in improving travel health. With representatives from general practice, academia, the travel industry and pharmaceutical companies, twice yearly the group engages in lively discussion that follows formal updates and presentations by the NaTHNaC team. In looking ahead, the NaTHNaC Steering Committee has discussed expanding the remit of the Advisory Group. The expanded remit would have the Advisory Group provide a focused review of NaTHNaC's goals and objectives that would be presented to the HPA as the commissioning body of NaTHNaC. This review would be on a three yearly basis. The Steering Committee will review and agree the revised terms of reference with the goal of having the first review during the November 2007 meeting of the Advisory Group. We thank Linda Chung for her leadership of the Advisory Group since its inception and welcome Prof Sue Atkinson to the Chair in May, 2007.
- Advice for 2007 Hajj pilgrims was again agreed with representatives of the Muslim Council of Britain.
 The Director chaired a session during the "Health at Hajj & Umra" conference held in London in November 2006.
- The relationship with the Foreign and Commonwealth Office continues to be enhanced.
 - o The FCO receives the daily NaTHNaC Outbreak Surveillance Brief that helps them to remain up-to-date on global health events.
 - o NaTHNaC reviews many of the postings on health that appear on the country pages of the FCO website, and also undertook a review of all FCO web material related to travel health.
 - When the NaTHNaC country information pages go live they will link directly to the FCO. This will provide viewers of the website with a complete picture of the important travel issues at a destination: NaTHNaC will give information on health and the FCO on safety and services for British travellers abroad.
 - The Director joined the FCO stakeholders' panel and presented at their February meeting about NaTHNaC's new developments for the web.
- Dr Vanessa Field and Prof David Hill helped in the revision of the 2007 edition of the World Health Organization's book *International Travel and Health*.

- Dr Jane Jones and Prof David Hill travelled to the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in May 2006 and met with members of CDC's travel health and migration health teams within the Division of Global Migration and Quarantine. CDC was very interested in the coordinated approach that the Centre for Infections has to imported diseases, the planned report of Migrant Health that was published in November 2006, the Outbreak Surveillance database, the YFVC designation programme, and the close ties that NaTHNaC has developed with the Department of Health and the FCO. It is anticipated that these contacts will lead to productive collaborations.
- All members of the NaTHNaC clinical team were admitted to the newly formed Faculty of Travel Medicine of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons (Glasgow). Prof David Hill was admitted as a founding Fellow and Dr Vanessa Field was elected to a seat on the Board.

<u>Objective 6</u>: To facilitate in collaboration with other training providers, the training of health care and other personnel in the provision of best quality travel health advice, based on such evidence as is available.

- NaTHNaC provided leadership on both the Organising Committee and the Scientific Committee for the Northern European Conference on Travel Medicine held in Edinburgh in June 2006. In this position, we partnered with the other travel medicine societies of the UK, particularly Health Protection Scotland who took the lead for the conference, and with the societies of Scandinavia. Members of NaTHNaC presented several papers and Prof David Hill delivered a plenary talk.
- NaTHNaC partnered with the International Society for Travel Medicine (ISTM) in February 2007 to run the first European review course for the ISTM Certificate of Knowledge examination. This examination is given biennially at the site of the meeting of the ISTM that will be in Vancouver in May 2007. The course was held in Liverpool and was highly rated by the 70 participants who came from throughout Europe and from as far away as Hong Kong. The faculty had broad representation from both the UK and the continent. Prof David Hill directed the course with Hilary Simons and Dr Lisa Ford course co-directors and Stella Bailey providing the administrative support.
- Prof David Hill co-directed with Dr Ron Behrens of the Hospital for Tropical Diseases, the annual short course in Travel Medicine at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. This course is one of the premier travel medicine educational events within Europe.
- Dr Vanessa Field, as a member of the Board of the Faculty of Travel Medicine, sits on the Education subcommittee of the Faculty. They are tasked with developing educational programmes.
- Each member of the NaTHNaC clinical team and TMHS staff was active in teaching and delivering lectures at several conferences both within the UK and internationally (please see the Outputs section, p. 10).
- All clinical staff teach on the YFVC training days throughout England and Wales.

Objective 7: To define short-term and long-term research priorities in relation to travel medicine.

- A steady series of articles have been published by NaTHNaC staff. These are listed in the Outputs section of the Annual Report. Prof. David Hill chaired the Infectious Diseases Society of America guidelines panel on Travel Medicine. These guidelines set forth the rationale for travel medicine and the minimum standards to practice in the field for the United Sates. They were published in the journal Clinical Infectious Diseases in December 2006 and can be accessed at: http://www.journals.uchicago.edu/CID/journal/issues/v43n12/40908/40908.html.
- NaTHNaC and TMHS staff presented several papers at the Northern European Conference on Travel Medicine in Edinburgh in June 2006.
- Analysis of several aspects of the work of NaTHNaC is ongoing. The practice of YFVCs in England
 has been surveyed and submitted for publication, and all calls to the advice line have been entered
 into a database and are being analysed.

NATHNAC PERSONNEL

Steering Committee

The NaTHNaC Steering Committee has representation from each of the NaTHNaC partners plus the Department of Health, the HPA and UCLH NHS Foundation Trust. NaTHNaC is grateful to the commitment, insight and contributions that each of the members make.

Tessa Walton moved as Director of the UCLH Infections Directorate and was replaced by Tom Smerdon.

Steering Committee Members:

Dr Nick Beeching Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine (Chair)

Dr Ron Behrens Hospital for Tropical Diseases

Prof Andy Hall London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine

Dr David Lalloo Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine

Prof David Hill NaTHNaC

Tessa Walton/Tom Smerdon University College London Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

Dr Ailsa White Department of Health

Dr Barry Evans Centre for Infections, Health Protection Agency

Dr Graham Bickler Health Protection Agency

NaTHNaC Staff: 2006-2007

Prof David R Hill Director

Dr Vanessa Field Physician, Travel Health Advisor, London

Claire Stringer
Alex Jordan
Mary Gawthrop
Hilary Simons

Nurse Advisor, London
Nurse Advisor, London
Nurse Advisor, London
Nurse Advisor, Liverpool

Dr Lisa Ford Physician, Travel Health Advisor, Liverpool

Dr Jane Jones Epidemiologist in Travel and Migrant Health, Director, Travel and Migrant Health

Section, HPA Centre for Infections

Jo Lawrence Travel Health Surveillance Scientist, HPA Centre for Infections

Naomi Bryant Information Scientist, London Emma Philpott YFVC Administrator, London Terence Corrigan Data Manager, London

Catriona Grant Administrative support, London

Stella Bailey NaTHNaC and YFVC Manager, London

John Mathewson Business Manager, London

TMHS staff

Dr Jane Jones Epidemiologist in Travel and Migrant Health, Director, Travel and Migrant Health

Section, HPA Centre for Infections

Jo Lawrence Travel Health Surveillance Scientist, HPA Centre for Infections

Dr Barry Walsh CCDC and Director of the southwest London HPU. (0.3wte secondment for six

months from 1st April 2007)

THE NATHNAC ADVISORY GROUP

The Advisory Group was convened with the broad aim of ensuring that NaTHNaC address all appropriate areas of travel health. It has representation from the major stake-holders within travel medicine.

Advisory Group: 2006-2007

Chair: Linda Chung UCLH NHS Foundation Trust, London

Claire Cameron Health Protection Agency, Centre for Infections

Jane Chiodini RCN Travel Health Forum, London
Dr Chris Conlon Nuffield Department of Medicine, Oxford

Dr David Dance Regional Microbiologist, Health Protection Agency South West, Plymouth

Dr Richard Dawood Fleet Street Travel Clinic, London

John De Vial Director, Quality and Safety Services, My Travel UK

Fiona Genasi Health Protection Scotland, Glasgow

Prof Larry Goodyer Leicester School of Pharmacy

Wing Cmdr Andrew Green Communicable Disease Control, Defence Medical Services Department

Sheila Hall Travel Health Related Education & Care, Glasgow

Maura Hughes UK Vaccine Industry Group, London

Nicola Joyce Welsh Assembly, Cardiff
Dr George Kassianos GP Practice, Wokingham
Dr Ted Lankester Interhealth, London

Dr Susanna Maybin Volunteers in Service Organisation, London Keith Richards Association of British Travel Agents, London

Dr Matthias Schmid Newcastle General Hospital Occupational Medicine, London

Dr Jane Wilson-Howarth GP Practice, Cambridge

Joanne Yarwood Immunisation Information, Department of Health

Dr Jane Zuckerman Royal Free & University College Medical School, London

YELLOW FEVER VACCINATION CENTRE ASSOCIATE TRAINERS

This group of travel health specialists has greatly aided NaTHNaC in helping to train the more than 3,000 registered YFVCs in England and Wales.

Jane Chiodini Carolyn Driver Norma Evans Sandra Grieve Alison Jenkins Kath Lynch Cate Riley Dr Steve Riley

OUTPUTS FOR 2006-07

Key: SB - Stella Bailey RG - Ruth Gilbert JL - Joanne Lawrence NB - Naomi Bryant DRH - David Hill JM - John Mathewson VF - Vanessa Field JJ - Jane Jones HS - Hilary Simons LF – Lisa Ford AJ – Alexandra Jordan CS - Claire Stringer MG – Mary Gawthrop DL - David Lalloo RT - Rose Tucker

A. Honours and Distinctions	
Fellowship, Faculty of Travel Medicine, Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons (Glasgow) (RCPS (Glasg))	DRH
Membership, Faculty of Travel Medicine, RCPS (Glasg)	HS CS AJ MG VF LF
Faculty of Travel Medicine, Election to Board, RCPS (Glasg)	VF
Diploma in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene (Gorgas Memorial Course, Instituto de Medicina Tropical, Lima, Peru)	VF
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2 nd Prize, Poster presentation. Ford L, Beeching NJ, Platt MJ. Medical student electives: risks of illness, accidents and assaults at different destinations. Northern European Conference on Travel Medicine, Edinburgh, June 2006.	LF
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London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine – Honorary Professor	DRH
London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine – Honorary Senior Lecturer	JJ
London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine - Co-Director, Short Course on Travel Medicine: LSH&TM 3-7 April, 2006	DRH
Northern European Conference on Travel Medicine (NECTM), Edinburgh, June 2006 Member Scientific Committee Member Organising Committee	HS DRH
Infectious Diseases Society of America Chair, Guidelines panel for the Practice of Travel Medicine	DRH
International Society of Travel Medicine Member, Editorial Board, Journal of Travel Medicine Member, Scientific Committee, 10 th Conference of the International Society of Travel Medicine (CISTM10), Vancouver, Canada, May, 2007	DRH

American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene Member, Communications Award Committee Member, Education Committee	DRH
International Society of Travel Medicine: Preparatory Course for the ISTM Certificate in Travel Health (CTM®), Liverpool February 2007	
Chair Co-Chair	DRH HS LF
HPA Advisory Committee on Malaria Prevention – Member	DRH
Royal College of Nursing Travel Health Forum - Steering Committee	AJ
TRAVAX, Health Protection Scotland – Advisory Board Member	VF HS
Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons (Glasgow) Faculty of Travel Medicine, Education and Professional Development sub-committee, Member Diploma of Travel Medicine, Examiner	VF
Nursing Standard: Editorial Board	AJ
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Deputy Hon. Secretary – BTHA Executive Committee	CS
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Yellow Fever Vaccination Centre Training Seminars, April 2006 – March 2007	SB DRH CS AJ HS MG LF VF
London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine Co-Director, Short Course on Travel Medicine: LSH&TM 3-6 April 2006 Lecturer and tutor in MSc in Topical and Infectious Diseases Lecturer in Diploma in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene	DRH
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G. New initiatives	
Development of country information for the NaTHNaC website	VF NB DRH CS SB
Review of core training program for Yellow Fever Vaccination Centre Training Centres (training pack)	HS AJ SB JM DRH
Collaboration with Muslim Council of Britain London-wide malaria group	JJ DRH
Collaboration with Foreign and Commonwealth Office on travel health advice	DRH JJ JL NB
Enhanced surveillance of enteric fever began 1 May 2006	JJ JL

NaTHNaC Business Plan - 2007-2008

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VF – Vanessa Field TSO – The Stationary Office

Nathnac objectives	KEY TASKS	TARGET DATE for completion	<u>LEAD</u>	COSTS - set-up and operating	HPA GOAL
NaTHNaC Staff and Centre					
Staffing levels	Continue to employ all current NaTHNaC staff Employ temporary staff as needed to cover demand	Ongoing	DRH SB JM		Goals 9, 10 & 12
Staff development	 Hold staff appraisals on annual basis Continue effective communication lines between network centres All staff and Steering Committee members to annually sign Declaration of Interests form of NaTHNaC Private Sector Policy 	March 2008 Ongoing March 2008	DRH SB JM All		Goal 9
NaTHNaC office space	Identify new space for NaTHNaC as current lease will be re- assessed in June 2007	Sept 2007	JM SB DRH	May be substantial if new space required	Goals 7 & 10
Commissioning role of HPA for NaTHNaC	Review role of Steering Committee and HPA in commissioning the work of NaTHNaC Agree body of work done by TMHS (HPA Cfl) with NaTHNaC	Dec 2007 June 2007	DRH NJB GB DRH JJ		Goals 4, 13 & 14
Long-range Planning	Following Advisory Group meeting Nov 2007, and Steering Committee December 2007 review long-range plans	Winter 2007/08	DRH JJ SB NJB JM		Goals 9, 10, 13, 14

Country Information Web Pages	 Revise pages based on feedback from formal review of draft website March 2007 Finalise Outbreak Surveillance Database and integrate into country pages Launch country pages Upload new content, e.g. leishmaniasis risk 	July 2007 Aug 2007 Sept 2007 Ongoing	NB VF CS SB DRH	Ongoing technology costs of £60,000	Goals 7, 10, 12
Yellow Book Revision			VF DRH Staff	Funding from DH for £80,000	Goals 10 & 12
Develop content of YB	Review and edit submitted material Collate material into text	Nov 2007			
Publish hard copy of YB	Work with TSO to develop format and presentation of YB Publish hard copy of YB	Nov 2007 Jan 2008	TSO		
Place content of YB on-line	 Adapt hard copy content to on-line template Create fully searchable web-based format Place on NaTHNaC website 	Ongoing, Feb 2008 Spring 2008	TSO		
Links/representation on key national advisory committees	 Advisory Committee on Malaria Prevention Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation Health Protection Scotland BTHA RCN Travel Health Forum London Malaria Group 	Ongoing	DRH CS AJ HS DRH JJ JL		Goals 10, 11, 12, & 13, 14
Interactions between the HPA MRL, the ACMP and NaTHNaC	 Regular information sharing between NaTHNaC and MRL Development of advice protocols with ACMP Write FAQs on malaria prevention for joint posting on the HPA and NaTHNaC websites based on calls to MRL and NaTHNaC advice lines 	Ongoing Ongoing Ongoing	DRH JJ PC CW MB		Goal 10, 11, 12
Publicity and communication	 Promotion of website through search engines and relevant journals/newsletters/articles Attendance/presence at relevant conferences/ meetings/training events Develop brochure describing NaTHNaC Develop pre-travel health brochures 	Ongoing Sept 2007 Sept 2007	DRH JM SB DRH JM SB TSO SB Staff DRH		Goals 11, 13, 14

Country Information Web pages	 Provide country specific information on malaria prevention, vaccine preventable disease and other select infectious disease risks (see above) Link to Outbreak Surveillance database on global health events Link NaTHNaC information on health with FCO information on safety and services for UK residents 	Sept 2007	NB VF CS SB DRH	Ongoing technology costs of £60,000	Goals 7, 10, 12
National advice line for health professionals	 Enter advice line information into database Review the content of calls to update NaTHNaC protocols and advice and identify training needs Work with MRL to analyse queries and develop malaria FAQs Explore national needs for telephone advice on travel medicine 	Ongoing Biennial Ongoing Dec 2007	SB NB DRH Staff DRH PC SB JJ DRH	Hire temp personnel for data entry	Goal 10
Global health events	 Review global data sources daily and enter information into Outbreak Surveillance database Circulate daily reporting to stakeholders Select events with high impact for UK travellers and write Clinical Updates for posting on the NaTHNaC website 	Ongoing	NB JL NB Clinical Staff		Goals 4, 7, 10, 12, 14
Traveller side of website	Review content and revise information sheets for travellers Include new resources for travellers	Ongoing	Staff		Goal 12
To carry out surveillance of trav Surveillance of travel related infectious	el-related illness • Collate and analyse information on imported infections (in travellers	Ongoing	JL JJ		Goals 4, 7,
diseases	 Collate and analyse information on imported infections (in travellers and migrants) from sources within and outside of the Health Protection Agency Produce quarterly summaries in the HPR of data on imported infections Update epidemiology in information sheets on NaTHNaC website Ongoing review of clinical updates/FCO information queries as requested by NaTHNaC Identify and implement measures to improve the utility of existing systems for surveillance of imported infectious illness Develop new systems of surveillance of imported infectious illness 	Ongoing Ongoing Ongoing Ongoing Ongoing	JL JJ JL JJ JL RG JJ JL RG JJ JL RG	TMHS are seeking additional resource for information officer to support travel and	8 & 11

	surveillance report on global disease outbreaks and provide HPA with weekly summaries Final report on the pilot for enhanced surveillance of typhoid and paratyphoid fevers Produce an annual report on imported infection for 2006/07 Continued improvements to the HPA website content for travel health	December 2007 December 2008 Ongoing	JL JJ JL JJ RG JJ JL RG	health scientists	
Surveillance to include non-infectious hazards to travellers health	Survey of local HPUs information re travel and migrant health Work with external stakeholders e.g. the travel industry to improve information on non-infectious hazards to travellers health, i.e. accidents etc	October 2007 Ongoing	JJ JL DRH		Goal 4, 8
Surveillance of imported malaria	 Coordinate with London Area Malaria Group Improve completeness, esp. postcodes Complete malaria capture-recapture study 	Ongoing Ongoing October 2007	PC MB JJ DRH JL JJ PC and other partner s in HPA		Goal 7
Feedback of malaria surveillance results	 Supply quarterly and annual data from MRL to NaTHNaC via TMHS according to agreed publication schedule Improve epidemiological content of HPA malaria pages 	Ongoing	PC VS MB JL		Goal 7 & 11
4. To administer yellow fever vaccir	ation centres			Costs covered through registration fees	Goal 1, 4, 10, 11 & 13
Maintain database for YFVCs	Review YFVC entries	Ongoing	SB TSO		
Maintain public access locator for YFVCs	Review YFVC entries and make sure they are accurate and accessible for travellers	Ongoing	SB TSO		
Expand YFVC designation programme throughout UK	 Review programme with DHSSPS of Northern Ireland Reach agreement for adoption of programme for NI YFVCs Review programme with Health Protection Scotland 	Summer 2007 Spring 2007	SB DRH		
Continue YFVC registration and training program for England and Wales	Revise core training curriculum for YFVCs Work with core trainers to deliver program	Sept 2007 Ongoing Ongoing	DRH HS AJ JM SB		

	Schedule training programs throughout the UK			
New International Certificate of Vaccination or Prophylaxis	 Determine certificate format from International Health Regulations (2005) and WHO Adapt for use in the UK and reach agreement with Devolved Authorities Print and distribute certificate Discuss with Sanofi Pasteur MSD about distributing certificate to YFVCs 	July 2007 July 2007 Sept 2007 Sept 2007	DRH SB AJ JM	
Review and finalise Assessment and Audit instrument for YFVCs	 Review Assessment and Audit instrument Pilot instrument Adapt instrument for on-line self assessment Work with PCTs to review inspection process Initiate Assessment and Audit with YFVCs 	Aug 2007 Sept 2007 Dec 2007 Dec 2007 Jan 2008	DRH JM HS AJ SB	
De-designate YFVCs as necessary	Implement de-designation policy when thresholds reached	Ongoing	DRH JM SB	
	(private and government) concerned with the travel health		[:-]	
5. To engage major stakeholders NaTHNaC Advisory Group	 Hold semi-annual meetings with Advisory Group Have the November 2007 meeting review the course and direction 	May/Nov 2007 Nov 2007	DRH SB VF NJB	Goal 10 & 11
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	Work with Faculty of Travel Medicine (RCPS Glags) to set standards for training and expertise in travel medicine		VF	
Collaborate with other global travel health advisory bodies	 Site visit to US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to review CDC travel health programme Collaborate with CDC over yellow fever vaccine issues Collaborate with WHO about global epidemiology of disease 	April 2007 Ongoing Ongoing	DRH DRH DRH JJ VF	Goals 11, 12 & 14
Muslim Council of Britain	Work to develop agreed advice for Hajj and Umra pilgrims	Winter 2007	DRH VF CS HS	Goals 12, 14
6. To facilitate training of health	care and other personnel			
Training for health professionals	 Continue the YF training programs Partner with national or international organizations to provide education in travel medicine, e.g. ISTM, BTHA, Faculty of Travel Medicine, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine Assess ongoing educational needs – and whether to expand training 	Ongoing	DRH HS SB VF	Goal 10 & 13
Enhance profile of travel medicine	 Contact PCTS with information about our role in travel health and YFVCs Discuss with LARS role of travel health 	Ongoing	DRH SB JM	Goal 11
Short course in travel medicine	Partner with LSH&TM to run week long short course in travel medicine	April 2008	DRH	Goal 10
7. To define short-term and long-	term research priorities			·
Disease risk by country	 Develop evidence base for decisions about country and region specific disease risk Partner with international and national organizations (e.g. HPS, CDC, WHO PAHO) to facilitate data on risk disease risk Assess epidemiology of yellow fever infection and disease 	Ongoing	DH VF NB	Goal 8
Health outcomes	Explore with travel industry how to assess traveller access of health information	Ongoing	DRH JJ VF	Goal 8
Advice line	 Review, analyse and present information on NaTHNaC advice line from 2004-2006 Publish information 	Oct 2007 Mar 2008	DH NB CS TC	Goal 8

Aims and Objectives of NaTHNaC:

(as agreed by NaTHNaC Steering Committee – 21 May 2002)

- 1. To develop consistent and authoritative national guidance on general health matters for health professionals advising the public travelling abroad, and to disseminate this information widely.
- 2. To provide guidance on specific situations relating to the health of travellers.
- 3. To carry out surveillance of infectious and non-infectious hazards abroad, producing accessible regular output of such surveillance.
- 4. To administer the Yellow Fever Vaccination Centres.
- 5. To engage the major stakeholders concerned with travel health especially the travel industry, insurance industry and government bodies, to assist both in sentinel surveillance and to engage in constructive dialogue towards a unified prevention approach.
- 6. To facilitate I, in collaboration with other training providers, the training of health care and other personnel in the provision of best quality travel health advice, based on such evidence as is available.
- 7. To define short-term and long-term research priorities in relation to the above.

Health Protection Agency Goals

Goal 1 Reducing the incidence and consequences of infection. To protect against the adverse health effects of acute and chronic exposure to chemicals, poisons and other Goal 2 environmental hazards. To improve protection against the adverse effects of exposure to ionising and non-ionising radiation. Goal 3 Goal 4 To protect against new and emerging diseases and health threats. Goal 5 To protect and improve the health of children. Goal 6 To improve preparedness of responses to health protection emergencies including those caused by deliberate release. To strengthen information and communications systems for identifying and tracking diseases and exposures to infectious Goal 7 chemical and radiological hazards. To build and improve the evidence base through a comprehensive programme of research and development. Goal 8 Goal 9 To develop a skilled and motivated workforce. Goal 10 To manage knowledge and share expertise. To build on and develop the intellectual assets of the organisation in partnership with industry and other customers, in Goal 11 order to better protect the public. To raise the understanding of health protection and involvement of the public and ensure they have access to Goal 12 authoritative, impartial and timely information and advice. Goal 13 To strengthen health protection at local and regional levels. Goal 14 To contribute to UK international health objectives and to global health.

YEAR-END FINANCE REPORT: Income & Expenditures 2006-2007

NaTHNaC is funded by the Health Protection Agency (HPA), receiving funds on an annual basis. NaTHNaC receives additional funds from their programme of registration, training, standards and audit foe Yellow Fever Vaccination Centres (YFVCs). Registration fees from YFVCs are divided between the current year and the following year depending upon the period of registration of the individual centre (one or two years). Training programme fees for YFVCs are targeted to recover costs only. The grant from the DH was provided to roll out the YFVC initiative, revise the NaTHNaC website and revise *Health Information for Overseas Travel*.

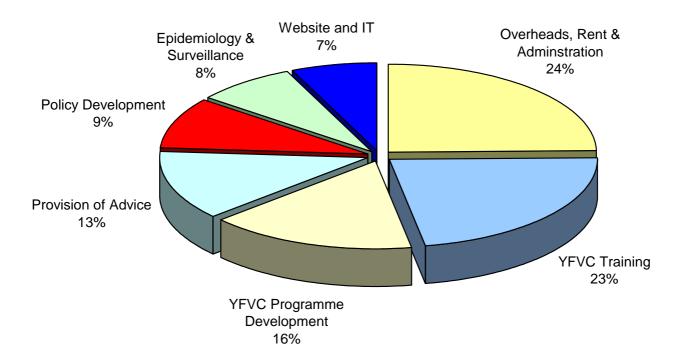
Expenditures are divided between the three sites where NaTHNaC operates: the UCLH NHS Foundation Trust in London, the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine, and the Travel and Migrant Health Section of the HPA, Centre for Infection in Colindale.

INCOME				
	Annual Cara Funding (UDA)	E40 4E1		
	Annual Core Funding (HPA)	549,451		
	YFVC Registration Fees (2006-2007)	82,811		
	YFVC Training Fees	127,218		
Carried f	forward from 2005-2006			
	Department of Health Grant	65,793		
	Income (Training/other)	43,247		
	YFVC Registration fees*	259,446		
	Total Income	1,127,966		
EXPENDITURES				
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	Staff Costs	549,750		
	YFVC Training Costs	109,513		
	Overheads	65,415		
	Rent	56,356		
	Project Work & General Expenditure	112,331		
	Total Expenditure	893,365		
Carry forward to 2007-2008				
	YFVC Registration fees *	153,397		
	Department of Health Grant	63,500		
	YFVC Training fees	17,704		
	Total Carry Forward	234,601		
	Total Expenditure & Carry Forward	1,127,966		

^{*} YFVC registration fees are divided between the current fiscal year and the next fiscal year based on the number of YFVCs that have renewed their registration for one or two years.

SUMMARY OF RESOURCE ALLOCATION

This chart illustrates the allocation of funding during 2006 - 2007 toward the major objectives of NaTHNaC.



BUDGET: 2007-2008

INCOME				
Annual Core Funding (HPA)	567,441			
YFVC Registration Fees *	306,000			
YFVC Training Fees	135,000			
Accurals from 2006 - 2007	234,601			
Total Income	1,243,042			
EXPENDITURES				
Staff Costs	629,566			
YFVC Training Costs	135,000			
Overheads	80,789			
Rent	72,000			
Projects, IT & General Expenditure	99,687			
Total Staff and Centre Costs	1,017,042			
Carry forward to 2008 - 2009				
YFVC Registration fees *	226,000			
Total Expenditure & Carry Forward	1,243,042			

^{*} YFVC registration fees are divided between the current fiscal year and the next fiscal year based on the number of YFVCs that have renewed their registration for one or two years.

NaTHNaC thanks our partner organisations for their support, expertise and commitment to improving the health of the British traveller

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