



Society for Academic Primary Care

Special Interest Groups - Annual Report 2025

Please submit by 23rd January 2026

Group Details

Special Interest Group Name

Digital Technologies in Primary Care

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Annual Report

As a rough guide for maximum number of words – 400 but if you wish to write a longer report this is fine.

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Annual Report

Activities

In 2025 we continued to send out regular newsletters to members which collate news and updates from SIG members. We held an in-person meeting at the SAPC ASM in Cardiff with invited speaker, and an online meeting in December with invited speaker and quiz. We have a dedicated email account and share information and requests on behalf of members.

Future Plans

I have welcomed two people to the SIG management group; Francesca Dakin and Owain Jones. They are adding capacity and as a result we hope to hold more events. We will have an in-person meeting at SWSAPC in Southampton, and at the SAPC conference. We will hold online events. The newsletter will continue.

Evidence of impact of the SIG

The SIG membership has continued to grow year on year. We have facilitated introductions between collaborators and supported colleagues in recruitment to posts and studies. Our events are well attended both in person and online.

Outcomes from SIG meeting at last SAPC ASM (if held)

We welcomed Dr Francesca Dakin whose presentation on her research about digital triage was very well attended, and generated lots of questions. We signed up 10 new members after the meeting. Francesca

has now joined the SIG management team and I am delighted to have her and Owain involved to bring fresh ideas to our work.

How affiliation with SAPC has helped the SIG

Our affiliation with SAPC is crucial. It gives us legitimacy as a group. It gives us a web presence, and the opportunity to hold no cost in person meetings. It also gives us the opportunity to apply for funding so that we can further the aims of the SIG. Thank you!