

## SFHCS AHCS Workshop

This short workshop is an opportunity to explore and consult on the possibility of closer working between the Academy for Healthcare Science and the Scottish Forum for Healthcare Science. Is there anything we can learn from the arrangements from the Allied Health Professions? Are issues UK-wide; are there Scotland-only issues that need representation locally? What could One-Voice look like in Scotland?

1	<b>Aims and Purpose</b>	John Colvin, Chair Scottish Forum for Healthcare Science
2	<b>A short explanation about the establishment of the Scottish Forum for Healthcare Science</b>	Professor Peter Sharp, former chair & John Colvin, current chair – The Scottish Forum for Healthcare Science
3	<b>The Academy and its one voice function.</b>	Professor Brendan Cooper, President, The Academy for Healthcare Science
4	<b>Realities:</b> AHCS resources and its activity in Scotland Current SFHCS resources and activity.	Brendan / John
5	<b>Lessons: The voice of the Allied Health Professions</b>  Is the AHPf experience a fair analogy?  <b>Questions:</b> Take-over/ merger/ alliance:- What could a SFHCS / AHCS closer linkage look like? Advantages vs disadvantages  What contemporary issues should a one-voice in Scotland be focussed on? Are the same or different than in the other 3 Nations? What happens if we do nothing?  What needs to happen next? Realities for the future?  Funding of any future HCS Voice for Scotland?	Dr Rob Farley, Healthcare Science Programme Director - NES  Delegates discuss and feedback
	<b>Summary</b>	Brendan / John