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23/07/03/1/3.1 & 3.4.1	Chair's Letter on Imprinting – the Chair of SCAG agreed to provide the Executive with further information from a French publication.	Chris O'Toole / Chris Barrett	November 2003	The Chair's letter will be presented to the Authority at its meeting on 20 <sup>th</sup> November 2003
17/07/03/4/3.19-3.25	MRC / HFEA Working Group on Research on Assisted Conception.  Update SCAG on the progress of the Working Group	Chris O'Toole	December 2003 / January 2004	Two subgroups set up – Subgroup 1 to look at databases, this subgroup has had 2 meetings and the minutes and recommendations are currently in draft and awaiting sign off by the Chair.  Subgroup 2 to look at the evaluation of clinical procedures is scheduled to have two meetings, one on 7/11/03 and the second in December 2003.
17/07/03/6/5.8-5.14	Safety of Equipment used in ART Laboratories  Obtain the opinion of professional bodies	Chris O'Toole	November 2003	A partial Regulatory Impact Assessment has been completed, this together with a consultation document is to be presented to the Authority at its meeting on 20 <sup>th</sup> November 2003.  All Centres will then be consulted prior to final recommendations early in 2004.

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17/07/03/7/6.1-6.8	Egg Giving  Obtain the opinion of the professional bodies	Chris O'Toole	November 2003	Views of the BFS, RCNFG, and BICA have been obtained, still awaiting the opinion from the RCOG.  Paper to be presented to the Authority at its meeting on 20 <sup>th</sup> November 2003.
17/07/03/9/7.4	Monitoring two and three embryo transfer  To provide a summary analysis of the HFEA data in the patient's Guide in relation to the number of multiple births.	Peter Braude	December 2003	Work ongoing
17/07/03/9/7.5.	Monitoring two and three embryo transfer  To advise on specific questions that the HFEA data set could answer if interrogated by a statistician or epidemiologist.	Jane Denton / Iain Cameron	November 2003	Epidemiologist has been analysing the HFEA data set for the period 1995 -1999, the results of this work are expected by the end of November 2003.

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