

BAHNO Newsletter – Autumn 2025



New survey dissemination tool for authors seeking responses.



We're pleased to announce that a new tool for survey dissemination which will be available on the website [here](#).

This streamlined system will make it easier to share research surveys with the wider membership community.

Much like our event posting process, you will be able to submit survey requests via a short online form. These submissions will be reviewed by the Research Committee for approval. Once authenticated, approved surveys will be distributed to the membership via email and featured on the website.

To support member choice, individuals can manage their survey email preferences directly through their membership account, including the option to opt out of surveys.

GIRFT webinar – driving high quality care for patients with head and neck cancer



GIRFT's head and neck cancer clinical has extended an open invitation to join a webinar on **26th November at 12.30- 13.30** to share the key findings from their national review of head and neck cancer services, which was commissioned and funded by NHS England's Cancer Programme.

[Register here](#)

The webinar will be held on MS Town Hall. Please register in advance and you will receive the joining link via separate email prior to the event.

Upcoming Nominations- Early in January 2026 the following council positions will be open for nominations:

- President Elect (2026 - 2027) succeeding to becoming BAHNO President (2027 – 2029)
- Honorary Secretary
- 2 x Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery Specialty Representatives
- ENT Specialty Representative
- EDI Officer



Council would like to take this opportunity to encourage ALL members to consider putting themselves forward.

Please contact Leanne at secretariat@bahno.org.uk if you would like an informal discussion regarding the role(s) and the opportunities that it affords.

Opportunities for BAHNO members - Call for new committee members

Research

As part of a recent committee restructure, the Research Committee is pleased to announce an opportunity for a trainee member to join its ranks. This is a valuable chance to contribute to ongoing research initiatives and gain insight into committee work.

If you are interested in getting involved, please contact Leanne at Secretariat@bahno.org.uk.

Education

BAHNO is re-establishing its Education Committee, and we are inviting expressions of interest from members who would like to contribute to developing and delivering educational initiatives within the head and neck community.

The committee will play a key role in advancing BAHNO's educational mission, with initial priorities including:

- Running and developing the current BAHNO Webinar Series (BAHNOhow?)
- Reviewing existing educational resources across societies and platforms to identify gaps, avoid duplication, and help BAHNO focus on *curating and connecting* valuable materials for the H&N multidisciplinary community.
- Exploring educational opportunities for trainees, such as mock FRCS Viva initiatives

We aim to form a multidisciplinary committee of enthusiastic members who would like to help shape the future of BAHNO's educational activity and promote collaboration.

If you would like to be considered for the committee, please email a brief statement (max 200 words) outlining your background and areas of interest to secretariat@bahno.org.uk or bahnohow@gmail.com by Friday 14 November 2025.

BAHNOhow? upcoming session date - December 9th webinar is Session 3: Mental health and Head and Neck Cancer, how can we better address it in the wider MDT?

BAHNO awards



Research awards: Up to £6,000 may be available from BAHNO for your research needs. A proposal and the CV to be submitted to BAHNO secretariat before 21st January.

Travel grants: up to £2,000 available to help fund a training experience. Priority will be given to unpaid projects rather than to salaried Fellowships. Closing date for applications: 21st January.

Please visit the BAHNO website for further details; [BAHNO Awards](#)

Membership

A reminder that invoices for your 2026 membership fees will be issued at the beginning of January. If you have changed status from trainee to consultant, please inform the secretariat so that the transition to a higher payment level will go smoothly. If you currently pay by Direct Debit you may like to consider switching to another method of payment: the online payment system (STRIPE) available through our website also offers a regular payment option, which may suit your needs. Direct Debit is quite a costly enterprise for a small organisation.

Please log on to your membership area – all your invoices, receipts and other information may be found there. Please keep your contact details up-to-date!

Phishing email alert – Member notification

We're aware that a small number of members recently received phishing emails. Following a thorough investigation, we identified that an old administrator account was used to access limited contact details (names, email and postal addresses) from a historical form completed 5–7 years ago. No passwords or sensitive data were accessed.

We sincerely apologise for any concern or inconvenience this may have caused. Immediate security measures have been implemented, including multi-factor authentication and system scans. The ICO has advised that this incident does not require formal reporting, but we remain committed to transparency and data protection.

Please stay vigilant and avoid clicking on suspicious links. If you have any concerns, feel free to contact us.

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Annual Scientific Meeting
Friday 15th May | London



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BAHNO 2026 Annual Scientific Meeting
Innovations in Head and Neck Oncology
Friday 15th May 2026
Business Design Centre, London

BAHNO welcomes abstracts from all specialties involved in head and neck cancer treatment and prevention.

This year's conference theme is 'Innovations in Head and Neck Oncology'. Prizes are available for outstanding contributions in both oral and poster presentation categories

ABSTRACT TOPICS:

- AHP
- Surgery
- Oncology
- Other

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION DEADLINE: SUNDAY 25TH JANUARY 2026 @ 23:59 GMT

Please note this is a strict deadline in order to allow selection by the academic committee with sufficient time for the successful candidates to book appropriate study leave.

Abstracts relating to our conference theme will be viewed more favourably.

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Scan or click on the QR code to
submit your abstract

Deadline | Sunday 25th January

