



**Scottish Microbiology  
and Virology Network**

What has SMVN done  
since 2012?

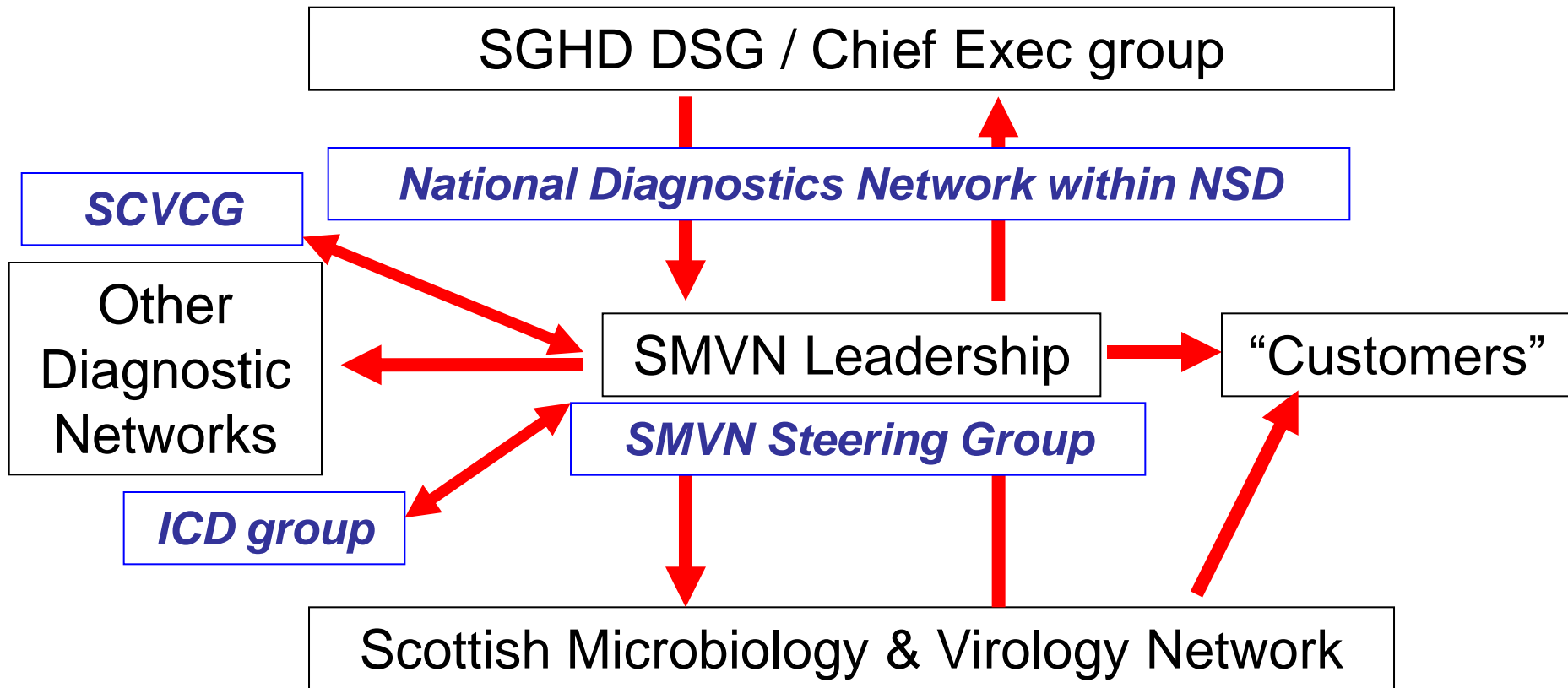
# SMVN pays for

- Clinical Lead: 4 h / week
- Dr Fiona Mackenzie: 18.75 h / week
- Costs of meetings etc.

# First Goal

- Initially funded for 1 year from SGHD Diagnostic Steering Group (DSG)
- We had to convince the Scottish Health Boards Chief Executive group in September to give us funding from April 2013
- *Done – eventually – and now funded through NSS with other networks*

# Overall Structure



# First Draft SMVN programme

- Things required by SGHD DSG
- Things already under way in the network
- Things promised in the network proposal
- Some other things we ought to do

# Things required by SGHD DSG: **Process**

- Have a steering group
- Have defined sub-groups
- Annual work plan

# Things required by SGHD DSG:

## **Outcomes**

- Deliver CPD
- Standardise benchmarking
- Laboratory service redesign

# Other things in the initial programme

Things already under way

Things promised in the network proposal

Result = a programme that is very busy



# Molecular Evaluation

£0.24 M obtained in March 2014 to evaluate  
a rapid molecular diagnostic platform

We have learned a lot from this already

Formal results to follow.

# New themed annual programme from the Steering Group

1. Preparedness for new problems
2. Standard methods and reporting for antimicrobial resistance
3. Rapid Diagnostics
4. Diagnostic Standards

What did SMVN really need to do?

Enhance Communication...

...and Collaboration.