**DUDLEY LOCAL MEDICAL COMMITTEE**

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c/o Dudley CCG

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**Minutes 06/03/15**

**PRESENT**: Dr Singh Sahni (Chairman), Dr Horsburgh (Secretary), Dr Mittal (Treasurer), Dr Bhardwaj, Dr Kanhaiya, Dr Khan, Dr Nancarrow, Dr Ahmad (GPC Black Country rep), Dr Kaur (Public Health), Jacquelyn Horwood (Practice Manager), A Reynolds.

**1. APOLOGIES**: Dr Dawes, Dr Plant, Dr Abuaffan (Public Health).

**2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on the 06/02/15were signed as correct.

**PRESENTATION**

CQC’s new approach to inspecting and regulating GP and OOH providers – A. Reynolds.

CQC ensure that Health and Social Care services provide people with safe, compassionate high quality care. By inspecting and regulating services CQC ensures fundamental standards of quality are met. There are six inspectors based around Birmingham, in addition to an inspector, the teams can include specialist inspectors comprising of GPs, Practice Nurses or Practice Managers where appropriate.

The new changes were implemented October 2014 to ensure that the quality of care provided is safe, effective, caring, responsive and well led. Changes include the rating of GP practices, strengthening intelligent monitoring using nationally held data, new ways of gathering patient views and a clear approach to responding to failing practices working with NHS England,

**Action:** Dr Horsburgh to email presentation to LMC members.

**3. MATTERS ARISING**

3.1 PMS Review- Local practices with PMS contracts are to revert to GMS contracts the savings will be utilised to improve primary care services in the borough. However, the PMS practices involved may request a rent review which could potentially impact on any savings. Areas for financial investment currently suggested include MDT meeting, practice nurse development, mental health services and locum banks.

**Action:** Any alternative ideas that members have should be forwarded to Dr Horsburgh or Dan King.

3.2 Blue Bag charges- Dr Mahay is currently liaising with the AT and hopes to reach an agreement regarding funding.

3.3 Premises infrastructure fund – Dan King has scrutinised the bids and those which comply with the set criteria have been forwarded to the AT.

**4. CHAIRMAN’S AND MEMBER’S COMMUNICATIONS**

4.1 Anaphylaxis, Basic Life Support and AED Awareness – An update will be held on 11 March 2015 at the Birmingham Medical Institute.

4.2 National Sources of Help for Doctors – The contact details of several organisations including the Sick Doctors Trust and Doctors’ Support Network are available on the LMC website.

**5.** **CLINICAL COMMISSIONING GROUP / AREA TEAM**

5.1 WM LETB – Karen Story, Lead Nurse for Education will be involved in the process of practice nurse development and student nurse placements in primary care. Further update at the next LMC meeting.

5.2 Interface Group – No recent meeting has been held.

5.3 Co-Commissioning LMC representative – GP contracts are managed by a lay committee, a local LMC representative has been invited to join the committee as an observer with no voting rights. However, their expert professional opinion may influence the decision making process.

**Action:** Please could any LMC member interested in joining the committee please contact Dr Horsburgh.

5.4 Primary Care Development Committee – Public Health are to continue with the programme of delivery of flu vaccination in pharmacies for the 2015 season despite only a small increase in reaching the target population. There will be a staggered start to the vaccination programme with GP commencing the programme first and pharmacies offering the service at a later date.

5.5 Clinical Development Committee – There has been some delay in the planning and development of premises for the Urgent Care Centre which will officially open 24 hours a day 7 days per week from 01/04/201, there will be an overlap with Prime Care for several days.

Phase 1 of the Community Rapid Response Team service has been operational since 07/01/2015 currently up to 4 vacant ANP posts remain in a team of 9.

The proposed mental health service model is based on an all age emotional health and wellbeing service; a 0 to 25 year olds and an over 25s mental health service and a specialist dementia service for all ages.

**6. CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE BMA, RCGP & BCBMA**

6.1 GPC Newsletters – See LMC website.

The BMA campaign entitled ‘No more games’ has been launched. The BMA is calling for no more games with the public’s health. The BMA wants a long-term commitment to address the major public health issues in our society. No more games with NHS funding- the BMA wants all political parties to commit to long-term investment to secure the future of the NHS. No more games with who is providing patient care- the health and wellbeing of patients must always come before making profits from healthcare.

6.2 Collaborative GP Networks – The BMA has issued guidance for GPs on the basic legal structures. See LMC website.

6.3 Lease Update –GPC is aware that practices are being sent correspondence from their landlords which either contains ‘Heads of Terms’ or ‘A Summary of Current Occupation’ to be signed off by the practice. BMA law has considered these documents and urges all practices to take advice from a lawyer or surveyor before agreeing or signing any such document. See LMC website.

6.4 Annual Primary Care Conference – The RCGP conference 2015 will take place in Glasgow 1-3 October, early booking deadline 2 June 2015.

6.5 Focus on the new IT requirements of the GP contract in England – Guidance is available on the LMC website.

**7. CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE GPC WEST MIDLANDS**

7.1 West Midlands GPC Negotiators Roadshow – Held on 05/03/2015 topics discussed include enhanced services, QOF and CQC.

**8.** **CORRESPONDENCE** **FROM THE PCT, HOSPITAL TRUSTS, DH, GMC, PUBLIC HEALTH & DMBC**

8.1 Pharmacy Applications – NHS England has received an application from Dudley Healthcare Ltd for inclusion in the pharmaceutical list at 94A High Street, Dudley, DY1 1QP in respect of a distance selling pharmacy.

8.2 Launch of new e-form for reporting patient safety incidents that occur in general practice – The new form will enable practice staff to easily submit safety incident forms to the NRSL. There are new general practice patient safety pages on the NHS England website.

**9.** **MISCELLANEOUS**

9.1 MTRAC – No update.

9.2 Walsall LMC News / S Staffs LMC News / Worcestershire LMC News - received.

**10. AOB**

10.1 Pregabalin prescribing – When prescribing for the treatment of neuropathic pain GPs should prescribe by reference to the brand name Lyrica. When prescribing for the treatment of anything other than pain GPs should continue to prescribe by the generic name pregabalin.

10.2 LMC conference motion – The proposed motion includes requiring that the GPC provides advice on areas where otherwise LMCs would need to develop local advice, a tracking system for LMC enquiries and a database of LMC enquiries to the GPC. After discussing the motion Dudley LMC members supported the motion.

NEXT MEETING:Friday **1st May 2015**, 12:45pm at Atlantic House, Dudley Rd, Lye, DY9 8EL. **Please note that will not be a meeting in April.**

Lunch will be provided.