



Nuts and Bolts XII



Post Meeting Report

The twelfth annual Nuts and Bolts meeting was held on 30th September 2009 at Studley Castle, Studley. It was chaired by Dr David Dickson. There were 37 attendees (see page 4), including delegates from all 13 LMCs in the West Midlands.

Feedback was very positive (see page 6), especially for the venue.

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October 2009*



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Agenda

Chairman: Dr David Dickson

09.30 **REGISTRATION**

10.00 **Introduction and House Keeping**

Dr David Dickson

(Chairman, General Practitioners Committee West Midlands)

10.15 **Update on the New GMS Contract and other Negotiation Issues**

Dr Laurence Buckman

(Chairman, General Practitioners Committee)

Update on current issues and an opportunity to question GPC strategy and policy.

11.30 **COFFEE TIME**

11.45 **Revalidation – Update by the GMC**

Will Blair

(Revalidation Policy Officer, GMC)

A presentation of the current position followed by plenty of time for questions..

12.45 **LUNCH**

13.30 **The Postprandial Quiz**

Compere: Dr Grant Ingrams

(Secretary, General Practitioners Committee, West Midlands)

How well do you know general practice??

14.00 **The Strategic Health Authority**

Eamonn Kelly

(Director of Commissioning, NHS West Midlands)

How can LMCs work with the SHA to benefit patient services?

15.00 **COFFEE TIME**

15.15 **Workshops - The LMC Challenge**

Facilitator: Dr Simon Parkinson

(Secretary, Worcestershire LMC)

Work through the scenarios supplied to explore these areas.

15.50 **Summing Up of the Day**

16.00 **CLOSE**



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External Speakers



Dr Laurence Buckman

Chairman, General Practitioners Committee

Other Current positions held on BMA committees:

Chairman GMC Working Group of Council

Member

Board of the Representational and Political Activities Directorate (BRPAD)

Council Working Group on NHS System Reform

Previous positions held within the BMA and on other bodies:

Deputy Chairman General Practitioners Committee

Chairman Education and Audit Committee of the General Practitioners Committee

Member JCPTG



Will Blair

Revalidation Policy Officer, General Medical Committee

Will has worked in the GMC Revalidation Team for over a year, working on policy development and implementation of the revalidation programme. His role involves close liaison with all the UK healthcare stakeholders, and he also serves as Secretary to the UK Revalidation Programme Board (UKRPB). Will has a background in public sector policy development and worked for the Shadow UK Immigration Minister before joining the GMC



Eamonn Kelly

Director of Commissioning, NHS West Midlands

Eamonn Kelly was formerly the Acting Chief Executive of Wyre Forest PCT where he had worked on secondment since December 2004 from his substantive post as Chief Executive of Redditch and Bromsgrove PCT which he had held since April 2002.

Eamonn joined the NHS in 1989 from the Department of Health and Social Security where he had progressed through the Civil Service fast track training scheme to head up policy and operational divisions advising Ministers on issues ranging from investment in IT to policy on social security benefits. In addition to his time as a PCT Chief Executive, he worked at the West Midlands Regional Health Authority and Coventry Health Authority with portfolios covering Strategy, Policy, Commissioning, Primary Care and organisational development.



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Attendees:

Name	Position	Organisation
Carolyn Andrew	Executive Officer	Walsall LMC
Mr Will Blair	Revalidation Policy Officer	General Medical Council
Dr Laurence Buckman	Chairman	GPC
Royce Chan	Medical Student	
Dr Richard Dales	Secretary	Herefordshire LMC
Dr Ajit Desai	Chairman	Walsall LMC
Dr David Dickson	Chairman	GPCWM
Ms Maggie Edwards	Executive Officer	Coventry LMC
Dr Nigel Fraser	Chairman	Herefordshire LMC
Dr Paul Golik	Secretary	North Staffs LMC
Mrs Michelle Hallahan	Executive Officer	Worcestershire LMC
Dr David Herold	Member	Worcestershire LMC
Dr Tim Horsburgh	Secretary	Dudley LMC
Dr Bob Ingles	Chairman	Worcestershire LMC
Dr Grant Ingrams	Secretary	GPCWM
Mr Eamonn Kelly	Director of Commissioning	NHS West Midlands
Dr Richard Kinsman		Worcestershire LMC
Jessica Lahive	Industrial Relations Officer	BMA Midlands Centre
Dr Jamie Macpherson	Secretary	Coventry LMC
Dr Gurmeet Mahay	Secretary	Wolverhampton LMC
Dr Mary McCarthy	Chairman	Shropshire LMC
Dr Malcolm MacKinnon	Chairman	South Staffs LMC
Dr Robert Morley	Executive Secretary	Birmingham LMC
Dr Manoj Pai	Chairman	Coventry LMC
Dr Simon Parkinson	Secretary	Worcestershire LMC
Dr AK Rahman	Secretary	Sandwell LMC
Mr Alan Roberts		BMA Midlands Centre
Dr Peter Scott	Chairman	Solihull LMC
Dr Satya Sharma		GPC
Dr Mark Sterry	Secretary	Solihull LMC
Dr Haris Syed	Secretary	Walsall LMC
Martin Tolley	Employment Advisor	BMA Midlands Centre
Dr S Vij	Treasurer	Wolverhampton LMC
Dr Madeleine Wells	Deputy Chairman	Coventry LMC
Dr David Weston	Asst Secretary	Warwickshire LMC
Dr Andrea Williams	Treasurer	Herefordshire LMC
Dr Charles Zuckerman	Secretary	Birmingham LMC



- 1 **Update on the New GMS Contract and other Negotiation Issues**
 Dr Laurence Buckman (Chairman, General Practitioners Committee) gave an update on current issues, including the status of current negotiations, the effect of world Class Commissioning on General Practice, effect of the dire financial situation on general practice, and changes for dispensing GPs.
All delegates thought this session was relevant, and, as usual received the highest level of positive feedback

- 2 **Revalidation – Update by the GMC**
 Will Blair (Revalidation Policy Officer, GMC) gave a presentation of the current position of revalidation. Overall, questions and comments from delegates suggested that they did not believe the GMC had grasped neither the amount of additional work the current proposals would require every GP to undertake, nor the level of challenge for Responsible Officers.
All delegates thought that this session was relevant, but a third thought the presentation was either only OK or poor.

- 3 **The Postprandial Quiz**
 Dr Grant Ingrams (Secretary, General Practitioners Committee West Midlands). This was the third light-hearted quiz held after lunch to wake delegates up for the afternoon session. This year's winner was Dr Charles Zuckerman.
4 delegates thought that the session was not relevant, although the presentation was scored highly.

- 4 **The Strategic Health Authority**
 Eamonn Kelly (Director of Commissioning, NHS West Midlands) spoke mainly about the effect that the downturn will have on the NHS, with the West Midlands share estimated as being £2billion, and the plan to achieve balance by greater efficiency. He admitted that not every EAPC (Darzi) centre was needed and some would prove not to be value for money. Delegates pointed out that many problems could be improved by proper meaningful clinical engagement.
All delegates thought this session was relevant, although the presentation was rated lower than the other sessions.

- 5 **Workshops - The LMC Challenge**
 Dr Simon Parkinson (Secretary, Worcestershire LMC) facilitated this session which has become a popular 'main stay' of Nuts and Bolts. For the previous three years this session has been facilitated by an officer from the 'host' LMC.
Feedback from delegates was very positive

Copies of presentations are available from the secretary (Dr Grant Ingrams) – gji@nhs.net



GENERAL PRACTITIONERS COMMITTEE WEST MIDLANDS

Nuts and Bolts XII – Summary of Feedback

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	Excellent	Good	OK	Poor
Update on the New GMS Contract and other Negotiation Issues <i>Dr Laurence Buckman</i> Was this session relevant? 20 Yes / 0 No	17	4		
Revalidation – Update by the GMC <i>Will Blair</i> Was this session relevant? 20 Yes / 0 No	1	13	6	1
The Postprandial Quiz <i>Dr Grant Ingrams</i> Was this session relevant? 12 Yes / 4 No	11	9	1	
The Strategic Health Authority <i>Eamonn Kelly</i> Was this session relevant? 17 Yes / 0 No		6	9	1
LMC Challenge <i>Dr Simon Parkinson</i> Was this session relevant? 14 Yes / 0 No	12	3		

Please provide any other comments regarding venue/co-ordination/delegate packs

Venue, Co-ordination and delegate packs excellent.

Good venue and excellent delegate pack (an index would have been good – I missed the info on the speakers)

Good venue

Co-ordination excellent as usual

Good venue – rather hot

Very nice and good venue, good co-ordination and excellent delegate pack

Well organised, beautiful venue

Better biscuits, not donuts

Excellent venue. Can we come here again

OK

Impressive venue

Well organised (as always)

Stimulating

Super venue

Food OK

What topic(s) should be included in future events (continue over if necessary)?

Pensions

Practice finance

Update about revalidation

How to preserve what is left of traditional general practice

Premises development

Surviving deregulated general practice

Access/patient responsiveness

Maximising QOF performance

A sensible view of revalidation

Coping with performance management

LMC challenge – always good