

**MINUTES OF HEREFORDSHIRE LMC MEETING HELD
18th December 2019**

Those in attendance: N Fraser R Dales M Hearne S Parkinson P Adams J Burgess G Hobbs A Leeman A Seftel P Dye T Nakshbandi E Scotland A Heal

1. Apologies D Horne P Clayton and R Dua
2. Conflicts of interests: No new conflicts of interested.
3. Minutes of the last meeting were agreed as correct.

4. MATTERS ARISING

- **GP provider board update**

The chair updated the committee on how the new GP provider board across Worcestershire and Herefordshire was working.

- **Anticoagulation**

A working group led by Dr Yeo from WVT had suggested a template flowchart. The LMC welcomed the work here but reasserted the point that this work was secondary care contract whilst appreciating the nature of working in a rural healthcare environment.

- **Small Practice Education Update**

The LMC secretary had discussed the concerns raised at the last meeting and this being taken forward by the CCG.

- **Eclipse Update**

Additional wording to the privacy statement was being circulated by the CCG to ensure compliance with data sharing.

- **Blue badges**

The secretary had discussed the concerns of the LMC with the local providers of the blue badge scheme. He was advised that the advice they provided was national however they would remind their staff to discourage inappropriate use of the GP service.

MAIN BUSINESS

- **Service Charges**

The secretary had discussed with WVT and the CCG the current financial concerns of the trusts ability to absorb such a significant increase in service cost from the previous year despite clarification and agreement last year with the CCG and costing by the practice managers. After a long discussion it was felt that the LMC could agree to being paid half cost this years and full cost next year as suggested by the trust in view of the exceptional financial pressures on the local health economy. However, it was felt the payment should be in the form of full payment form October this year.

Action Secretary to take back to the trust and CCG

- **LMC conference**

The secretary updated the committee on the recent LMC conference

- **DATIX**

Secretary advised the LMC the using the DATIX from for clinical incidents would allow for more easy review of patient safety concerns

- **Strategic finance**

MH advised all networks had agreed for a Taurus (GP federation) representative to attend strategic meetings on member practices behalf. MH advised this would not include business sensitive data.

- **A and E discharge summaries**

A practice had raised concerns regarding delays in WVT in discharge summaries reaching practices. The contractual time frame should be 24 hours. The CCG had taken this forward on the LMC behalf and the LMC has had reassurance from the trust they had already improved the system and were working to achieve full compliance very shortly.

- **Housing Requests**

The LMC were reminded that patient request for housing letters were not contractual and the LMC office had a standard letter regarding this if needed.

- **GPC update**

SP updated the LMC with the latest from the GPC

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- **Pharmacy application**

The LMC was advised in a change in ownership of Kington pharmacy.

- **Onward consultant referral**

The LMC discussed the fact that consultants should internally refer when appropriate as per recent guidance to avoid increasing the workload on primary care and to ensure continuity of care.

- **Coroners referrals**

The LMC was reminded regarding the recent changes to the coroners' referral system.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Next Meeting: was to be 8^h Jan 2020 but now cancelled. Next meeting will be 19th February 2020