

Minutes

Location: Zoom Call
Date: 6th October 2021
Time: 13:00 – 17:00pm

ATTENDEES

Members Name	Company	Initials
Fin McCaul - (Chair)	Ind	FMC
Mubasher Ali	CCA	MA
Katie Wright	CCA	KW
Peter Marks	AIMp	PM
Jennie Watson	CCA	JW
Mohamed Patel	Ind	MP
Aneet Kapoor	Ind	AK
Mohammed Anwar	Ind	MAAn

Members Name	Company	Initials
Helen Smith	CCA	HS
Gulamhusein Arsiwalla	AIMp	GA
Mujahid Al Amin	CCA	MAA
Ali Dalal	Ind	AD
Luvjit Kandula	GMLPC	LK

Liz Wilson	Bristol Myers Squibb	LW
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WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

KW deputising for IK
LK to leave early due to prior engagement
Minute takers AKh and KV

SPONSORSHIP

Bristol Myers Squibb - Presentation provided by Liz Wilson

Previous presentation provided information relating to health economic data and education. With the updates on NMS and launch of the Hypertension service, the LPC is interested in health economic data for GM that demonstrates CP's value to ICSs and PCNs. Beth to contact FMc and LK in relation to this.

There are over 12,000 missing AF patients. There is value in finding these patients and treating them to prevent strokes. There are several pathways in which CP can be involved and BMS can support in many ways.

LPC previously asked for educational support. This is available online. Masterclass TV and Horizon TV have a live VTE meeting talking about cancer data linking to VTE data. Masterclass holds nonvalvular atrial fibrillation and VTE education online which can be accessed anytime. BMS are keen to ensure that the training available is relevant to CP. LW to send anticoagulation information to JH.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST (DOI)

Nothing further declared.

MATTERS ARISING

No requirements raised.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

No issues raised.

ACTION LOG

135 – A paper relating to rebates is being worked on. GMMMGM are to meet next week and it is expected that further information will be available following the meeting.

133 – There has been a delay in getting KPIs back to office team. These will be collated and the master document will be updated. This will then be sent to the committee.

130 – Glossop contractors moving to Derbyshire LPC – this has been raised at NHS liaison meeting and ICS and they are currently discussing this matter. We are awaiting their decision before talking to Derbyshire LPC.

121 – PCN subgroup ToR has been drafted. Office team to seek confirmation offline that this has now been approved.

5 - Further benefits of the CRM are to be collated and shared with FMC.

DOPT & BAU REPORT

URGENT AND EMERGENCY CARE (UEC) PILOT

GM have been selected for a UEC 6-month pilot. Pharmacies in close proximity to the UEC centres, 100-hour pharmacies are to be included. Outstanding queries and issues mean that the pilot will not start this week as had been previously planned.

LATERAL FLOW DISTRIBUTION SERVICE

The GM system had previously been in conversations with the LPC in relation to potentially commissioning an LFD supervised service across GM. Bury are keen on this. An updated LFD specification has now been received and will be shared with the subgroup.

NOVO NORDISK – PENCYCLE

GM has been chosen as a pilot site by Novo Nordisk for the insulin pen scheme, The scheme will be presented at the UN climate change conference. A soft launch may take place soon for initial engagement but the full launch will not take place yet.

CP PRESSURES

Pressures within CP and wider primary care pressures have been raised to the GM comms team and the primary care team. An article was published by the MEN in September to raise the public's awareness of the issues CP is facing.

GPCPCS

The full GPCPCS deployment report has been shared with the committee. Manchester is the top area for engagement with 90.2%. Salford has the second highest rate. In the last week of September the NW team reported that a record 600 referrals were made in one week. A risk of further delays may result in no further practices going live before Jan 2022.

The office team now sends bi-weekly emails to all pharmacies, LPC committee members and area managers relating to GPCPCS and there are regular updates posted on the GMLPC, GPCPCS webpage.

GM HEALTHCARE ACADEMY

A change to the structure has been proposed. The Academy is to sit within CPPB. An Academy subgroup is to be convened and chaired by the LPN. These plans have been accepted in principle. The next steps to take place will involve a handover process, the set up of a new subgroup and agreeing membership of the subgroup. There is an upcoming meeting scheduled to discuss this.

PMO RECRUITMENT

The LPC has received an application for the PMO support position and this is being processed.

DMS

There are ongoing challenges with oversight, payment for IT and the progress of implementation of DMS at non-live sites. These have been raised with Keith Kendall, Keith Ridge and Karen O'Brien. There have been discussions about what extra support can be put in place to aid deployment across the NW.

CPPB UPDATE

Our share of money from the primary care board has now been received by CPPB. This will be used to fund attendance for system engagement meetings. A summary of the financial position, updated ToR and SLA for CHL and expense claims log will be shared with CPPB in the next week prior to meeting for ratification and review. All comments from CPPB board re clinical and professional leadership have been collocated and submitted. GM Single Commissioning Framework paper is yet to receive comments.

Key risk raised in relation to CP representation for PCB. CP has only been offered 1 seat. CP previously had 4 seats of PEB. The number of board members will not be increased. The Chairs of all disciplines have written a letter to push for wider discipline representation. Within IPMO there is an ongoing request to include LPC, CPPB and LPC in the oversight group, regional submissions and the working group.

LK and AK have sent comments on proposed future GMMMGM ToR. There is currently no reference to IPMO or LPC. This is being reviewed.

AK and LK have secured funding for pharmacy mentors, HLP leadership, HLP champion training, championing pharmacy ambassadors and the development of the GM careers website to include pharmacy. The Meds value program is to begin soon with the first meeting taking place next week.

Key ICS updates presented in relation to the Accelerator bid. Initially CP were not included in the bid but this has been rectified. Additional GM ICS workshops are planned soon.

MAS SCHEME

Update given in relation to the MAS scheme. The eligibility criteria of the scheme will not be extended at present. The Oldham service will go live imminently. 392 pharmacies have been in contact to communicate their MAS status. There has been some feedback that some pharmacies feel that the fee for delivering MAS is not sufficient.

AGM AND SGM

Information presented relating the significant work undertaken by the office team in relation to the AGM including the tasks surrounding the venue, the change to a virtual event and engagement with sponsors. Following the vote on GMLPC accounts that took place at the AGM event, 99.6% of votes casted were in favour of accepting the 2020/21 GMLPC accounts.

As announced during the AGM, GMLPC is to hold a Special General Meeting (SGM) in order to give contractors the chance to vote on whether they accept a proposal to change the GMLPC name. This will be conducted virtually.

Overview of Subgroup ToRs, transition to the YouManage HR system and the agreed GMLPC's vision, values, mission, workstreams and objectives for 2021/22 was provided.

GMLPC WEBSITE

Overview of the GMLPC website project was provided. AKh represents the LPC on the website working group. Comms work has been picked up by the BSOs to minimise the impact of IH's departure.

COVID COST CLAIMS

Request made by AK for office team to collate information relating the % of contractors that have submitted Covid cost claims. Use phone call data and split into aimp/cca/ind contractors.

LOCALLY COMMISSIONED SERVICES

All services have been followed up by EB. There have been issues relating to specifications that have not been updated by various commissioners across several services and localities.

PQS

The Monday Memo was redesigned to focus on contractor support for PQS. A plan to meet each domain has been developed.

Update provided on PCNs. There are currently 5 PCN lead gaps. Request for committee members to support in filling remaining gaps.

The office team have started work to help contractors achieve criteria for the PQS scheme. A PQS schedule has also been created for contractors to use if they wish. A survey has been created for the PCN domain of PQS. We have received 251 responses so far for this survey. A PCN lead webinar is being worked on and the aim is to encourage contractors to complete the PQS PCN criteria by 30th November 2021.

COFFEE BREAK

GP CPCS

Overview provided of the time and GMLPC resource spent on GPCPCS throughout September.

Discussion around how much office resource is currently going into GPCPCS, how much resource we want to use going forward and what outcomes we foresee for the service.

It is suggested that PCN leads are used to support our GPCPCS engagement or help contractors with the service. 8-10 leads have supported previously with our support. KW to find case study of PCN leads supporting GPCPCS.

Finance subgroup will look at how to budget extra resource for GPCPCS – all in agreement

RMOC

PM attends the RMOC North meeting. This is 1 out of 4 RMOCs that currently exist. First in-person meeting was held in September.

Another meeting will be in January after which North will be split into North West and North East. We will then have fewer LPCs supporting with funding for PM's attendance. There will then be 7 RMOCs instead of the 4. However, the cost of attending is minimal and so this will not have too much of an impact.

A new RMOC ToR is being written and CP should be included automatically. PM unsure if he will be attending the meetings going forward. Someone else may take his place and represent CP.

REPURPOSING OF STOCKPORT LPC FUNDS HELD BY CHL

When the LPC merged Stockport had funding towards a diabetes project. This was brought forward to GM and held by CHL. It has been decided that the previously agreed diabetes project will not go ahead. LPC asked to approve the repositioning of that money (from the Stockport contractor levy fund) for another project. This is agreed in principle but the committee would like clarity on the new project when this is decided. New proposal to be presented to and signed off by the scrutiny committee. All agreed.

LOCALITY LEADS GROUP DISCUSSION

Updates provided on the status of PNAs across localities. PM has received an email regarding the Stockport PNA. He will keep LPC in the loop on any further developments. GA approached in relation to the Oldham PNA. AK requested that all locality leads are sent the latest PNA guidance developed by PSNC.

Update provided relating to the flu and covid vaccinations. In Manchester MHCC have set up a meeting next week with the 15 pharmacies already providing the covid vaccination in order to tackle groups where there is some vaccine hesitancy. This is a good example of the system wanting to support CP. Bury is to have a similar arrangement in place.

MP has attended flu meetings in which members were happy to collaborate with CP. Members on the Stockport flu meeting were keen to work with CP as they had run out of GP flu vaccinations. Issues raised around messaging from some GP practices in relation to flu. The LMC has called a meeting with the LPC to discuss collaborative working.

AOB

EOI: ANTI-VIRAL STOCK SERVICE EOI: ANTI-VIRAL STOCK SERVICE

The service began in Dec 2016 following outbreaks of flu in care homes. 2 out of the 3 pharmacies that were delivering the service no longer want to provide. As a result the CCG has come to us and wants to send out an EOI. JW to send to the Services subgroup. Future requests to be sent to the Enquiries inbox.

WORKFORCE ISSUES

Workforce issues have been raised nationally. Discussion around the fact that locum costs are rising and are at £40 an hour in some cases. With the launch of additional vaccine sites and daily testing now being advised in schools these workforce issues will likely not improve before the beginning of next year. There is also physical and mental fatigue in CP which needs to be addressed.

ICS ROUND TABLE REPORT

Round table report has been published by NHS Confederation relating to working collaboratively in an ICS. LK contributed to the paper.

https://www.nhsconfed.org/sites/default/files/2021-09/Working-collaboratively-in-an-ICS-community-pharmacy_1.pdf

KING'S FUND ROUND TABLE INVITATION

FMc requested permission to attend the kings fund round table as LPC chair. No objections raised to his attendance.

AWARDS FOR THE LPC

LPC have been invited to attend the C+D awards in London as finalists.

MEETING ENDED AT 16:30PM