

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday 17th January 2019

1.00pm - 4.30pm

Venue: Holiday Inn, Grange Park, Northampton. NN4 5EZ

LPC MEMBERS PRESENT:

Raju Malde (RM)
Daljit Poone (DP)
Anil Patel (AP)
Amrit Minhas (AM)
Lakminder Flora (LF)
Matthew Armstrong (MA)
Has Modi (HS)
Carolynne Freeman - Vice Chair (CF)

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Sue Snelling - Chair (SSn)
Anne Marie King - Chief Officer (AMK)

APOLOGIES

Raja Srikakulapu (RS)
Kishor Shah (KS)
Rishi Hindocha (RH)
Anna Ruthven (AR)
Chetan Parmar (CP)
Veronica Horne (VH)

Outstanding declarations of interest are complete. There were no declarations of interest reported with the agenda.

Minutes of previous meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting (Thursday 8th November 2018) were reviewed and approved as an accurate reflection of the meeting and action points. SSn signed the minutes as Chair.

Reports

Chief officer report

AMK presented her report to the committee for discussion (attached)

Finance

RS sent his report to the committee (attached)

The committee discussed how the role of the treasurer will be handed over to AM following RS taking up a new position with a local GP practice. CF will send an email to members of the finance committee to arrange a handover date.

Contracts committee

HM gave this report to the committee (attached)

RM left the room whilst the committee heard part of the report which related to Odessey Pharmacy.

Governance committee

LF reported that reviews for the Chief Officer and Chair are due soon and will be organised by the governance committee.

Services (Strategy) committee

No report.

Discussions arising from the Chief Officer's presentation

Buddy calls

The committee discussed whether the buddy calls were useful and if we should contact contractors in the near future regarding the Quality Payments. It was decided that the calls were not always useful. AMK will offer contractors support and will direct requests to committee members in order that we can help AMK with the workload.

NHS Long Term Plan

MA led the discussion having knowledge of the report with his current job role. The report is long and mentions pharmacy 4 times including possible support with urgent care (NUMSAS, DMIRs), screening (AF, BP, Smoking, Obesity, Diabetes), Respiratory Review. The document refers to pharmacy in generic terms rather than specifying a sector such as Community Pharmacy.

It was agreed that the PSNC would have the role in negotiating these potential services and we would support contractors when we have more information and detail.

The committee would like the **Strategists** to consider the LPC's role in delivering the NHS Long Term Plan. A pragmatic view indicates less money for dispensing (supply function) but Community Pharmacy is likely to see more people walk through the doors for treatments.

Brexit

Kevin Robotham Head of EPRR NHSE East and Central Midlands has sent out a memo regarding EU Exit Preparedness. It was sent to CCGs but unfortunately it did not reach community pharmacy neither did Gordon Hockney (PSNC) seem aware of it.

It was discussed how Brexit may affect contractors (stock shortages, contingency planning, substitution of products and appropriate re-imburement), however it was decided that until appropriate decisions have taken place and guidance given, we cannot support contractors in a useful way at this present moment.

We discussed substitution of medicines in the event of a no deal exit from EU and how PSNC were supporting this. AMK has written the following to PSNC asking for some clarity on the current negotiations to safeguard finances:

*'I'm just contemplating the issue of stock shortages in the event of a no deal exit from the EU and trying to anticipate questions that will arise from my contractors. I think I am correct in saying that somewhere in the possible measures to safeguard medicines supply Mr Hancock considered the introduction of a national 'serious shortage protocol' to provide dispensers with more flexibility in case of serious shortages of POMs, and the ability for community pharmacists to make **substitutions** in certain situations, both generic and therapeutic substitutions. Can PSNC say at this stage how negotiations are progressing in order to safeguard / offer financial protection to contractors in event of the substitutions mechanism being instigated? I did read that PSNC were working to "minimise the impact" but that's not the same as offering financial protection'*

AMK is trying to access a suitable communication which I would be used as a joint communication with LMC/ CCG and then a separate leaflet which could be available for patients. PSNC and NPA may both have their own variations but AMK is trying to see if a joint message is out there which can be used.

Kate Dawson - (Consultant Pharmacist - Medicines Optimisation EMAHSN)

KD explained that EMAHSN is an Area Team funded organisation to support innovation in healthcare. There are 15 HSN teams in the UK. Work has involved projects such as AF, Pain management, Prescribing Errors.

KD described the transfer of care pilot (TCAM) in the Derbyshire area. This uses a PharmOutcomes referral process which the pharmacist chooses to accept and offer patients an appropriate service if needed. Services such as MUR / NMS may be offered. There is no funding available but the information would be there as a reference source which would benefit both the pharmacy and patient.

The committee discussed the fact that the service could be used as a reference source for patients who have been discharged from hospital. Discharge summary documents could be viewed (depending on the IT version that is being used) which would be important if an MDS was involved, the patient lived in a Care Home or supply of new medication was needed.

It was decided that we would investigate further regarding roll out of the pilot to the Northants area. Pharmacists would be invited to sign up. AMK pointed out that PharmOutcomes was not commissioned in Northants and another platform may be needed to support the pilot.

Further information is available. <https://www.ahsnnetwork.com/about-academic-health-science-networks/national-programmes-priorities/transfers-care-around-medicines-tcam/>

Any Other Business

CF talked about work being done with MK social care and district nursing team regarding the role of the DNs in writing MARs charts for patients needing Home Care. The committee were asked their thoughts regarding pharmacy printed MARs and whether pharmacies would be willing to print these FOC for medications that they had dispensed. The response was mixed. Some committee members explained they would be willing to produce a MARs FOC, whereas some contractors thought that we should be asking for a fee. These comments will be taken back to the next meeting.

RM expressed concerns with missing information on NUMSAS referrals. AMK will send details of an email to raise issues such as these with the relevant person.

AMK advised the committee that the next national LPC meeting will be held on 20th March in London. Any committee member can attend.

AMK expressed concern regarding her broadband speed which is slow and creates difficulties when working. The committee agreed that AMK should contact EE for the necessary equipment to boost the signal. This will cost approximately £35 per month for an initial 18 month contract.

Date of next meeting confirmed as Thursday 21st March 2019

The meeting was closed at 3.25pm

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Sue Snelling



Chief Officer (AMK) report

Achievements

- Identified locations of local flu stock in joint exercise with LMC (before PSNC instigated at national level)
- Coordinated flu vaccines for Public Health
- MK Local health promotion to support HLP coordinated and mailed
- NN Local health promotion to support HLP coordinated and delivered
- Social Media for HLP NN now live
- Services update meeting for MK pharmacies next week sponsored
- Smoking cessation update for NN pharmacies meeting planned and sponsor identified

Work in progress

- To set up a joint meeting for pharmacists in community and CCG
- Meeting in diary with NN CGL
- Set a date for HLP session for GP's in NN during their PLT
- Workshop planned with Tillotts around IBD
- Supporting with Gateway Criteria and QPS
- Supporting with 4 clinical governance requirements

Help welcomed from committee members

- Buddy calls for Quality Points or not?
- Annual Services cleanse
- Ideas for AGM
- Guests
- Newsletter contribution
- Actions following NHS Long Term Plan

Current issues for contractors

- Aggressive behaviour arising from inappropriate NUMSAS referrals
- Expected changes to LES both MK and NN
- Poor timing of the recent National Clinical Audit
- FMD
- Brexit
- Deadlines approaching for QPS and 4 clinical governance requirements:
- Data Security (IG Toolkit)
- CPPQ
- 2 Clinical Audits (National deadline 30/12/18) and NSAID clinical audit (if applicable)
- Complaints report

Treasurer report

INCOME				
	0	INTEREST		
	23999.99	Levys		
	23999.99	TOTAL		

EXPENDITURE				
TOTAL		Pounds		
TOTAL IN THE ACCOUNT AS OF		05/11/2018		115146.93
TOTAL INS				23999.99
TOTAL				139146.92
TOTAL OUTS				12553
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TOTAL				126593.92
Total in the	04/01/18			126593.92

Market Entry Summary

- Minor relocation application : Odyssey Ltd t/a Odyssey Pharmacy to relocate the premises 1t 16 Lower Street, Kettering, NN16 8DH to 50 Trafalgar Road, Kettering, NN16 8DD. Representations invited by 25/1/19...LPC have responded
- No Significant Change Relocation from 5 Barnwell Court, Mawsley, Kettering, NN14 1FG to Mawsley Village Surgery, School Road, Kettering, NN14 1SN by Mawsley Healthcare Limited Granted 2/1/19
- Unforeseen benefits (best estimate location) application by Jardine UK Ltd at Barrosa Way, Whitehouse, Western Expansion Area,, Milton Keynes: Following the Oral Hearing held on 30th November 2018, and notification of the delay on 03/01/2019, the application now granted by NHS Resolution on 11/1/2019.
- 10/1/19 LPC asked by Parklands for correct paperwork re "change in ownership." Not actually a change in ownership application but rather limited company change of allocation in shares, director and Superintendent. Advised notify GPhC ASAP re FTC and also NHSE Local Team (30 days). All relevant forms supplied.