

# PSNC Service Development Subcommittee Minutes

for the meeting held on Tuesday 14th March 2017

at Radisson Blu Hotel, 1 The Light, The Headrow, Leeds, LS1 8TL

**Present:** Mike Hewitson, Marc Donovan, Clare Kerr, Faisal Tuddy, Sunil Kochhar, Gary Warner (Chairman)

**In attendance:** Alastair Buxton, Rosie Taylor, Jas Heer, Bharat Patel, Fin McCaul, Andrew Lane, Margaret MacRury, Zoe Smeaton, Mike King, Tricia Kennerley, Mark Griffiths, Indrajit Patel, Sue Sharpe, Shine Daley, Mike Pitt, Mike Dent, Garry Myers, Mark Burdon

## Apologies for absence

No apologies for absence were received.

## Minutes of previous meeting and matters arising

The minutes of the meeting held on 10th January 2017 were approved.

### 1 Developing proposals for a revised CPCF that supports implementation of the CPFV (PSNC/SDS)

The information in the agenda was noted and the subcommittee agreed the proposed next steps.

Alastair Buxton talked the subcommittee through a presentation on the work undertaken so far on developing proposals for the development of the CPCF and the subcommittee provided feedback on the proposals and answered several questions which were posed during the presentation. The main items of feedback were:

- The subcommittee agree that the proposals should focus on bricks and mortar pharmacies, but the application of proposals to DSPs would need to be considered as part of the work;
- The subcommittee also agreed that though we want to design an 'ideal' CPCF, the design needs to be grounded by the current reality of the NHS and commissioning policy and must consider the fit with forthcoming commissioning developments, particularly the development of Accountable Care Organisations;
- The subcommittee agreed it was appropriate to prioritise work on the key Murray Review recommendation that 'ultimately MURs should evolve into full clinical medication reviews utilising independent prescribing as part of the care pathway. For these to be safe and effective they would require access to a patient's full medical records which may not be possible immediately in all situations';
- The subcommittee agreed that we should consider CPCF development across the three key domains from the Community Pharmacy Forward View, and it was recognised that development of the proposals needed to involve commissioners and work for them as well as community pharmacy;
- With regards to whether there were any elements of the CPCF that the subcommittee would seek to remove or amend, it was agreed that the subcommittee would consider this and would contact Alastair Buxton after the meeting with any comments;
- For Advanced Services, it was noted that the third stage of the New Medicine Service (the follow up stage) could be removed in many cases, where the patient had no problems at the intervention stage. A discussion was also held around whether the Flu Vaccination Service should become an Essential Service but a conclusion was not reached;

- The subcommittee agreed that the Healthy Living Pharmacy concept could be considered as an element that all bricks and mortar contractors must attain; however, with the caveat that this must be used as intended, which was to support an increase in the commissioning of public health services;
- With regards to service options for community pharmacy becoming the first port of call for episodic healthcare advice and treatment, minor injuries and independent prescribing were suggested as additional options; and
- It was agreed that a small working group would review the paper produced following the meeting, and a teleconference may be held to discuss this further.

**It was recommended that:**

- **PSNC should write to the Minister following the Committee meeting to say we are keen to start work with the Department of Health and NHS England on implementing the Murray proposals, in particular the development of the MUR service.**
- **Following development of the draft proposals for development of the CPCF, PSNC should organise a meeting of the Stakeholder Forum in order to start seeking the views of DH and NHS England officials and other stakeholders on the development of the MUR service.**

**2 Working with partner organisations, to develop and implement a work plan to support the implementation of the key recommendations of the Murray Review (SDS/LIS)**

The information in the agenda was noted and the subcommittee agreed the proposed next steps.

Implementing the key recommendations of the Murray Review was included in the presentation provided by Alastair Buxton (see point 1 above) and the subsequent discussion.

**3 Developing template service specifications, business cases and other resources (SDS) and offering support for local commissioning of services (LIS)**

The information in the agenda was noted and the subcommittee agreed the proposed next step.

Rosie Taylor had several questions for the subcommittee to consider with regards to the Minor Ailment Service (MAS) service specification. A discussion was held around these which will allow Rosie Taylor to complete the drafting of the service specification.

Subcommittee members were asked to review the proposed timeline for the MAS by Sunday 19th April and email Rosie Taylor with any comments so the Funding Team can start to develop the costing toolkit. The subcommittee was also reminded of the request to provide feedback on the MAS service specification, business case, implementation plan and feedback form on email to Rosie Taylor by Friday 24th April.

**4 Developing a productive dialogue with GP and CCG leaders to secure their support for the implementation of the CPFV (SDS/LIS)**

The information in the agenda was noted and the subcommittee agreed the proposed next steps.

5 Investing in research and developing the evidence base for community pharmacy services to secure existing services and support the implementation of the CPFV and service funding (SDS/FunCon)

Alastair Buxton provided a brief overview of Nicky Hall's work and the subcommittee agreed that exploring the views of GPs and CCGs on remote provision of pharmacy services would be an appropriate topic to take forward. Subcommittee members were asked to feedback to Alastair Buxton if they thought of other topics linked to this topic which would be good for Nicky Hall to also explore.

**Any other business**

The information in the agenda was noted.

**NUMSAS** – A discussion was held around whether PSNC should be actively encouraging contractors to participate in NUMSAS for a limited period to help ensure the evaluation of the service is a success. The subcommittee could not come to an agreement on this therefore a decision was made to remain neutral; however, it was agreed that we should support the four Community Pharmacy Integration Leads, who were recently appointed by NHS England, and the evaluation of the service.