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Minutes of the Meeting of the North Wales LMC held on 14th May 2019 at the Kinmel, Abergele at 2pm

Present: Drs Sara Bodey, Phil White, Tim Davies, Paul Emmett Gruff Jones, Jay Nankani, David Morris, Julie Burrows, Elizabeth Scriven, Dan Cooper, Catrin Williams, Nicky Davies, Alwyn Parry, Lala Khan, H Medagedara, Ian Williams, Rob Jones, D K Banerjee, Jayesh Patel, Heather Merrick, Kevin Meyrick, Endaf ap Ieuan, Clare Darlington, Lynne Joannou, Jeremy Honeybun, Professor Arpan Guha, Beth Jones, Liz Bowen.

Apologies

Dr Fraser Campbell, Dr Chris Stockport. Mr Gary Doherty, Dr Ieuan Parri Dr Eamonn Jessup, Dr William Scriven, Dr Clive Morrison, Dr Jenny Liddell, Dr David Wood, Dr Jonathan Jones.

Minutes of the last meeting 12 03 19



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The minutes were approved.

1. Feedback to Committee from meetings attended.

17 04 19 PW attended ATS panel Gaerwen along with CW, AP and JJ. WT chaired. Star Gaerwen practice covering all of Anglesey and Gwynedd. HB intends seeking expressions of interest from practices to see if a more geographical distribution would be better for patients.

OOH admin refusing to put appropriate data on the OOH system, HB to review the situation. GP2GP ineffective often as patients have huge files.

7 patients, one in secure unit, one in prison, one absconded.

PW raised the issue of Type 1 diabetes, practices not receiving funding. In South Wales secondary care look after all Type 1s.

The question of GPs being asked to prescribe non formulary products by various professionals was raised, the chair will contact the various groups involved.

Brief discussion about HB partial funding of practice expenses where practice space is occupied by HB, one practice not received expenses for ten years. These expenses

should be carefully calculated to include everything from lift maintenance to gardening costs.

08 05 19 AP attended Rheumatology workshop YG

Issues re workforce, unable to recruit Rheumatologists, no junior staff either. 7.5k rheum patients in the system. Gaps in MDT, psychology, dieticians etc.

Fibromyalgia, referrals being bounced back, Eleri Roberts had positive feedback from GPs, I stated that GPs were not happy. Dr Ahmed stated he vetted all referrals personally and a letter was sent to the GP.

Annual reviews, Dr Jeremy Jones pointed out that there are two annual reviews, a Rheumatology review and a GP based QOF related review, re risk osteoporosis etc, AP advised that QOF was going in all probability. Consensus rheum need to continue doing annual reviews. Ann Breslin, Rheum Specialist Nurse suggested upskilling PNs to do the Rh clinics, as they do for diabetes, I stated that this would be new work and unfunded.

SB attended a Postal Testing for GC/Chlamydia meeting, North Wales is a pilot being done in July in Powys. Patients who need a test can request a home testing kit on the web. Might be extended to other sexual health diseases.

SB attended ATS meeting East.

04 04 19 SB attended CAMHS stakeholder event.

SB stated interesting meeting, particularly from educational officers. Currently an email referral line in use.

SB meeting with Dr Muthuvelu team, discussions held with Pharmacists re shared plans deal with ADHD

08 04 19 AP attended planning meeting Optic Centre re proposed EMI, he questioned whether GPs could be asked to cover and what happens with prescribing and OOH.

2. Imposed Locum Register Implications

3. GMPI Imposed Funding Situation

SB reported that cuts are being made in global sum from some practices.

SB – good news re GP training, huge increase in applicants in North Wales, largely down to LMC, ten appointed in Glan Clwyd and Wrexham and Bangor are full. Examination payments being made has been very helpful.

4. Update on recruitment to GP training.

5. Update TEPS

Ongoing discussions regarding TEPS.

SB has written to Caroline Usborne and has received a reply from Ruth Campbell, Senior Policy Advisor BMA regarding the countersigning, the question needs to be asked why this has been included and seems superfluous.

SB noted that TEPS forms are not legally binding, but simply a record of patient preference to be used in decision making.

While continuing to support the concepts of advanced care planning SB stressed that NWLMC cannot support the TEP forms as currently designed and will actively advise constituents not to engage with them at this time.

6. Development assessment and rehab unit St Asaph

PW has written to the Planning Department in Denbigh with reservations regarding this application, in particular the Care Home Enhanced Service to an establishment where a private arrangement has been made with a local GP. He believes HIW should be asked to classify this development and who is funding and that the full impact would affect an already stretched OOH service. Also to be taken into consideration the effects on psychiatric and palliative care services.

7. LMC Conference Belfast

SB TD AP JJ EJ PW attended.

Motions – there was a controversy regarding funding, many members retiring.

GPC Wales election early June 2019. Charlotte Jones is stepping down.

PW will stand for GPC Wales Chair. EJ will be stepping down. If anyone interested please let us know. Members must work 2 sessions per week, contribute to voluntary levy and attend 4 meetings a year.

A great deal was discussed regarding sexual harassment, steps taken nationally to try to address.

8. Adoption and Fostering Fees.

Dr Jeremy Honeybun wished to raise the above issue regarding funding.

The fee of £75 is well below expectations for the amount of work involved.

Mrs Lynne Joannou suggested that this is a local authority issue.

9. Speakers

Mr Thomas Cox Lead Prison Pharmacist HM Prison Berwyn.

Dr Justin Lawson Lead GP HM Prison Berwyn.

Mr Cox and Dr Lawson attended to raise awareness regarding prescribing and gave a presentation about Medicines Optimisation in prison.

Mr Cox described the problems and issues around prescribing in HM Prison Berwyn.

In 2016 there was a 14% increase in deaths in the prison.

The prison and prisons ombudsman have become increasingly concerned by the number of deaths, these have included deaths from accidental or intentional

overdoses, unexplained deaths in young men from heart attacks or seizures, suicides from mood altering drugs or related to drug debts and bullying.

The NHS makes hundreds of millions of prescribing errors which contribute to as many as 22,300 deaths a year, the errors include failure to properly monitor patients on powerful drugs, poor communication between GPs and hospitals, and giving patients the wrong medication.

In most cases the drugs involved were psychoactive substances such as “spice”, however, a significant minority involved illicitly traded prescription drugs (tranquillisers, anti depressants and strong analgesics) which can be dangerous when combined with opiates such as Methadone or Subutex.

There is a standard operating procedure in place which provides a framework for Pharmacy to undertake medicines reconciliation during the screening for all men entering Berwyn prison, the document aims to standardise the processes for collection, documentation and verification of a patient’s journey, reduce risks of misuse of medication.

Dr Paul Emmett stressed the need for a discharge note when they are released, also GPs must be told when a patient is on remand so that repeat prescriptions are stopped. It was agreed that the first important approach is good communication.

Their contact details are 01978 523259 or email bcu.hmpberwynpharmacy@wales.nhs.uk

4.30pm Company agenda and appointments.

A company meeting was held. Dr E Jessup is standing down, Dr Paul Emmett to take over his role. Dr P White’s Secretary report distributed, he will also stand down in the summer This is to allow more time for his role in GPC Wales. The accounts are not yet complete.

Next Meeting 9th July 2019 2pm, The Kinmel, Abergele.

AGENDA 2

RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION (NOT FOR DISCUSSION)

PERFORMERS LIST AND PARTNERSHIP CHANGES

Managed Practices

St Marks Dee View Connahs Quay (Managed)
Bromfield Mold managed from 7th May 2019.

Longford House Holyhead

Leaving the Practice

Dr Amy E Stevenson 31 08 15 Overton on Dee (notification sent to LMC office 12th March 2019)

Dr Clive Morrison 06 03 19 Healthy Prestatyn

Dr Ian Roy Happs 31 03 19 Gresford Health Centre

Dr Alexander George Kidd 31 03 19 Pendre Mold

Joining Bradleys Practice Buckley 01 04 19

Dr Ranjit Singh Dogra 02 04 19 Lakeside Rhyl

Dr Meleri Haf Evans 26 04 19 Criccieth

Dr Ann M Bottomley 30 06 19 Hope Hawarden

Dr Naomi Tobias 03 05 19 Bradleys Buckley

Dr Gillian Breese 31 03 19 Llys Meddyg Conwy

Dr Nicola Frew 30 01 19 Victoria Surgery Holyhead

Dr Sekela Nemhina Mwambingu Bromfield Mold 06 05 19

Joining the Practice

Dr Mohammed F Mohideen 01 04 19 Lakeside Rhyl (Partner)

Dr Sian Tudor Glover 01 04 19 Bronffynnon Denbigh (partner)

Dr Tania Eva Scotland 20 05 19 Porthmadog