



Salford and Trafford Local Medical Committee
2nd floor, Oakland House, Talbot Road, old Trafford M16 0PQ
Telephone 0161 873 9553/9559
E-mail: vsimenoff@nhs.net or LMC.office@trafford.nhs.uk

**Minutes of the Salford Sub-committee
held on Monday 10th Feb 2014 at The Waterside, Monton**

Present:

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

Dr Mhairi Yates (MY) (chair)
Dr Girish Patel (GP)

MEMBERS

Dr Ben Williams (BW)
Dr Amba Ahuja (AA)
Dr VB Raj (VR)

CO-OPTED MEMBERS & OBSERVERS

Mr Varun Jairath (VJa)
Ms Lyndsay Rodway (LR)
Dr John Hughes - GPC (JH)
Ms Jennifer Mc Govern – Council
(JM)

IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs Vivienne Simenoff (VS)
Mrs Kerrie Rowlands (KR) (minutes)

APOLOGIES

Dr Jenny Walton
Dr Hamish Stedman
Mr Alan Campbell

AGENDA - PART A

1. Declaration of Interest

None declared

2. Approval of last months minutes

Minutes had been sent out prior to the meeting and again with the agenda. Members were asked for any further comment of which there was none and January's DRAFT minutes were approved.

At this point the chair of the meeting, Dr Mhairi Yates (MY) introduced Jennifer McGovern (JM) Salford Council who had requested to move her slot up the agenda. She gave the following update from the council:

Council Update

In order to meet the Governments budget cuts the councils service proposal were being looked at. A set of papers had been drawn up and a meeting was planned for 26th Feb to sign off budgets. (JM) said that the council will consult on proposals to re-design/de commission services delivered to the public. This would be a 12week consultation period and would begin at the beginning of March. The LMC asked if a further update could be given in next months sub committee meeting and (JM) agree to ask Dave Clemmett to present at March 10th Sub Committee meeting **Action (JM)** She went on to say that the assistant Mayor would decide which proposals to take forward.

There was some discussion around early discharge of patients from Salford Royal Dr Raj (VR) had an example of a patient that had been discharged inappropriately and was concerned that there may be pressure to discharge too soon.

3. Review of actions from the last meeting

No	Subject	Action	Who
1	Carried forward from last month - Tendering process for Drugs and Alcohol Team - opportunity for interested parties to register their interest	Janice Lowndes agreed to send electronic document to the LMC. Update in Jan meeting: Not received to date.- Sue Lightup agreed to send.	SL
2	Carried forward from last month - Fair access to care - There had been consultation about reviewing the criteria for access to support. appendix 8 - Community impact assessment was missing from the information shared in the meeting which members felt would be useful to have.	JL) agreed to forward to the LMC, together with an electronic version of the entire document Update in Jan meeting.: Not received to date. Sue Lightup will send	SL

3	Prime Minister's challenge fund	Ben Squires agreed to send more information to the LMC so that it could be distributed to all practices. Update received. (VS to check has been sent out) Action closed Discussion continued in the meeting concerning the skills required to put together bids and if Salix could be used to do this. Reference was made to SHM and a bid they had made for extended hours in Little Hulton and parts of Eccles. (GP) agreed to feedback member's comments to Neil Turton.	BS
4	Workforce data	There had been discussion in the last meeting as to how to get practices to submit information if there was a risk the data could be used to manage them. There was agreement by all that the information was required and that the LMC could help by encouraging practices to submit their data. Update: Done Action Closed Dr John Hughes (JH) said that it was felt that the uptake had been variable 20-30% It was agreed to speak to Alan Campbell to find out what Salford were doing to increase this Action LMC	LMC
5	Healthier Together	Salford had received the Out Of Hospital Care Standards. (AC) said that consultation was about to begin over the next three months It was agreed to add this item to next months agenda for further discussion Update added to this agenda – Action closed	LMC

4. Area Team update

There was no one from the Area Team in attendance at the meeting and therefore no update was given

5. Primary Care Support – Consultation on changes

NHS England is changing the way primary care support services are provided across England. A letter had been sent out to Gtr Mcr stakeholders and a copy had been sent out with the agenda. This was noted in the meeting. Vivienne Simenoff (VS) explained that as part of the re-organisation staff were being moved and there was the risk of losing key people with a wealth of local knowledge. It was agreed that the LMC should draft a response highlighting their concerns. **Action LMC**

6. NHS Salford CCG - Update

No-one was available in the meeting and therefore no update was given.

7. Council Update

See update given at the start of the meeting.

8. Healthier Together

9. Out of Hospital Standards

The document 'Out of Hospital standards' document that had been sent out with the agenda was noted and comments invited.

(VS) said that the term 'standard' suggested that there could be an implication if the standard was not met. It was also felt that there wasn't enough detail around how the standards would be achieved. It was also noted in the meeting that there had been little consultation so far. Alan Campbell had been due to attend the meeting to discuss this further but unfortunately he was unable to attend. It was agreed that the LMC should send a response to the CCG. **Action LMC**

10 Practice payments

Members were asked for feedback on the above. It was felt that the system was slowly getting worse. Members said processes had changed without communication and there was uncertainty around cut off dates. A comment was made in the meeting that the financial situation for some practices had been so severe, some GP's had not drawn any funds and in some cases had put money in to keep afloat. (VS) asked members to encourage practices to contact the LMC where this was happening.

11. Conference motions

Members were asked for suggestions and the following ideas were noted:

The push for General Practice in the Greater Manchester area to deliver additional work, as part of the Primary Care Strategy of Healthier Together without the necessary resources being in place of workforce, funding and adequate premises.

List size - which are safe for GPs to deliver safe care, given the current increased workload.

Revalidation – not fit for purpose

CQC handling of practices that fall short of CQC standards

AOB

(VS) Informed members of the meeting with Deborah Blackburn (Salford City Council) who is looking at Salford leading the way for a collaborative way of delivering DES/LES's. A national contract had been drawn up which allows for local variations in section C.