



Salford and Trafford Local Medical Committee
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**Minutes of the Trafford Sub-committee
held on Wednesday 11th March 2015 at Sam Platts, Old Trafford**

PRESENT:

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

Dr Iain Maclean (IM)

MEMBERS

Dr Amabel Freeman (AF)
Dr Joe Chandy (JC)
Dr Sally Johnston(SJ)

CO-OPTED MEMBERS & OBSERVERS

Ms Andrea Ferguson (AF)
Mastercall
Mr Christian Booth (CB)
(representing PM's Trafford South)
Mrs Deborah Darlington (DD)
(representing PM's Trafford North)
Ms Alison Overton (AO)
Mr Asit Raja (AR) LPC
Ms Francis Romagnoli (Trafford
CCG)(FR)

IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs Vivienne Simenoff (VS)

APOLOGIES

Dr Colin Kelman (CK)
Dr Aarya Probhakaran (AP)
Ms Gina Lawrence GL)
Mr Jason Swift (JS)
Mrs Kerrie Rowlands (KR)
Dr Nigel Guest (NG)

Dr Maclean (IM) welcomed, Dr Helen Goggins, Janet Cooling, Kylie Thornton and Jessica Taati from Trafford Borough council Public Health

AGENDA Part A

1. Declaration of interest

None received.

2. Approval of last month s minutes

The minutes were approved

3. Review of Actions from the last meeting

No	Subject	Action	Who
1.	DOL's Members were concerned that families may not fully understand what happens when this safeguard is put in place	Kylie Thornton (KT) agreed to feedback to Debbie Goldstone and to ask her to attend the next meeting Done - Item included in this agenda. Action closed	KT
2.	Council - Self assessment and Customer Satisfaction Survey Options paper - feedback had been requested from members and as yet this had not been received.	The LMC agreed to follow up Done. Response sent. Action closed	LMC
3.	PMS reviews - The LMC sought assurance that where a PMS practices was doing work over and above their GMS contract, funding would be retained.	Jason Swift (JS) agreed to clarify the situation. Update: No additional information was available. FR said that Jason Swift and Julie Crossley would be attending a GM wide meeting with the AT to discuss this the following Monday. The LMC asked her to feedback the views of the LMC that the transition period of 4 years is likely to cause destabilisation of practices and cause them to lose staff. A transition period of seven years in line with MPIG transition would prove more helpful. (FR) agreed to feed this back.	JS
4.	Tape validations - issue with who pays for the process	The LMC agreed to look into this again Update in the meeting: (DD) advised that Martin Bee had told her that Docman will be cloud based from September. She felt it might be helpful to explore if this would resolve this issue. (AO) said that the difficulty related to patient data which is <u>not</u> held on the clinical server – and concern as to what would happen to that data if the server went down.	LMC

4. Council Update

IRIS

Helen Goggins (HG) is leading on this. She explained that this system is used in identifying victims of domestic violence. The provider of the service is Victim Support, and the clinical lead is Dr Mark Jarvis. The Council is currently discussing training needs, and will then cascade the letter out with an implementation start date for referring into the system in Aug/Sept 2015. This will be a three year contract. Any practice can phone for advice on a patient even if they are not part of the first tranche of practices accepted into the scheme.

LARCs

(KT) advised of the outcome of the research asking practices to say which of their staff were involved in fitting and removal and estimating how much it costs to provide this service. Information was very varied. Based on this the Council was proposing paying £51 for insertion and £44 for removal. Members expressed surprise at some of the responses. KT was asked who the alternative provider is if GPs choose not to deliver this service – she replied that it is Bridgewater.

5. DOLS (Deprivation of Liberty Orders)

Janet Cooling gave an overview of the system. Members expressed their concern for family who have watched a loved one die in a nursing home from an expected terminal disease. If the patient had been subject of a DOL during their lifetime on dying the police are called, an ambulance is called and the deceased is removed by the Coroner. Members felt this to be cruel for the family as well as a waste of precious resource members. (SJ) said that this process is not made explicitly clear to members of the family. It was noted that nursing homes seem to seek that all patients are subject to DOLs.

(FR) said that there are usually exceptional circumstances that can be found to deal more humanely with such circumstances.

Janet Cooling agreed with all the concern expressed but said that it is not in her gift to change the current legal ruling. Members agreed to take this to the local Members of Parliament.

(IM) asked Janet Cooling to come back to the Committee next month as the situation progresses. **Action - add to the April agenda**

6. Trafford CCG update

The CCG Locally Commissioned services were discussed. It was noted that the previous LCSs would be continued for another year, with the addition of a new LCS: Primary Care Diagnostics. Members accepted all the previous LCSs but felt that the funding of the new scheme was far too low at £2/£4. This had been communicated to the CCG. Members said that it has been costed using Health Care Assistants, but that most practices do not have the usage of HCAs.

(JC) advised that he had found information from NICE showing how to cost ECGs. He shared the information with (FR) who agreed to take it back with her. **Action (FR)**

(FR) suggested that practices be reminded that they can claim in the first quarter for anticoagulation and near patient testing.

7. Healthier together/Primary care strategy

There was nothing to discuss on this.

8. GM Devolution

This was discussed – but the situation remains unclear. The LMC asked for Primary Care Provider representation on any GM group.

AOB

1. (AF) advised that NHS111 will go live in Sept/Oct.
2. (AF) advised that Mastercall has been asked to provide additional service over the Easter weekend. They will be working from 10-3 on each of the four days from Meadway.
3. Support for Sale practices – this is being clarified. There will be support with visits in the afternoon and with the MDT in the mornings.
4. Ascot House. Concern had been expressed to the CCG that now that Firway is no longer registering Ascot house patients practices were being asked to visit and prescribe for patients outside of their practice area. There has been an interim agreement that if a practice receives a request to visit and Ascot House is outside their area, they can ask Mastercall to do this – this information has however not been shared with practices (concern being that confusion will be caused when there is a long term solution). Members felt that confusion is currently being caused and asked for a resolution as soon as possible. (FR) said that practices will be written to this week.
5. Pregabalin – the advice of NHS England and GPC was noted

Dates for next meetings

Trafford subcommittee – 2015 Meeting dates
1-2.30pm, preceded by lunch from 12.30pm. Held at Sam Platts, Trafford Wharf Road, Old Trafford M17 1EX
Weds May 20th
Weds June 10th
Weds July 15th
No meeting in August
Weds Sept 16th
Weds Oct 14th
Weds Nov 11th
Monday December 14 TH evening JOINT FOR ALL MEMBERS OF BOTH SALFORD AND TRAFFORD COMMITTEES at Sam Platts, Trafford Wharf Road, Old Trafford, M17 1EX