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**Minutes of the Salford Sub-committee  
held on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2015 at The Waterside, Monton**

**Present:**

**EXECUTIVE MEMBERS**

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

**MEMBERS**

Dr V Babu Raj (VR)

**CO-OPTED MEMBERS & OBSERVERS**

Mr Varun Jairath (VJ) LPC  
Ms Lyndsay Rodway (LR) rep PMgrs  
Mr Dave Clemmett (DC) Salford Council

**IN ATTENDANCE**

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

**APOLOGIES**

Dr Jenny Walton (JW)  
Dr Manu Singhal (MS)  
Mr Alan Campbell (AC) Salford  
CCG

## AGENDA - PART A

### **SPECIAL BUSINESS:**

Cathy Starbuck, Gail Leach and Sarah Withers (Swinton High School) attended the meeting to present ideas for the suggested policy for schools following regarding the involvement of GPs in the request for sick notes. The proposal sent out to members before the meeting was noted and is inserted below for reference. Cathy Starbuck said that parents will not be asked to obtain sick notes from GP's in the future. These would only be requested by the local authority and only when a case had been referred to court. Cathy said that in such instances the GP would a receive letter, attendance sheet and consent form.



GP Evidence of  
Illness Protocol Salford

Members at the meeting were happy with the proposal however as the meeting was not quorate it was agreed to request approval from all LMC members via email. **Action LMC**

### **1. Declaration of Interest**

There were none made.

### **2. Approval of last month's minutes**

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 20th April were approved.

### **3. Review of actions from the last meeting**

No	Subject	Action	Who
1.	Council - Personalised Budgets. A few practices had had queries from patients who were trying to find out how this could be accessed. (JL) said that this was for those patients already on a care plan and was aimed at helping patients help themselves.	Janice Lowndes agreed to share further information with the LMC. <b>Update: Dave Clemmett provided an update in the meeting. He said that patients should be referred to Social Services Contact Centre 0161909 6517. He said that there were several steps to the process. Action closed.</b>	JL
2.	Salford Integrated Care System - Task group LMC rep required	Email members to ask for a volunteer. <b>Done. Action closed</b>	LMC
3.	Minor Ailments Scheme - feedback in last month's meeting concerned the lack of promotional material available.	Varun Jairath agreed to raise with the Area Team <b>There was no specific update received on this however the process was now underway and it was felt that there was no longer an issue. Action closed.</b>	VJ

#### **4. Council Update**

Dave Clemmett (DC) attended the meeting and gave the following update:

##### Care Act

This came into place on 1st April 2015. (DC) said that part of this act made provision for the rights of carers. He went on to talk about those individuals that are self funding and how they would be entitled to free care in the future once a spend limit had been reached. This part of the act would come into force in April 2016. Discussion followed regarding the possible difficulties there could be when trying to establish who was the main carer. (DC) said that there would be a meeting between all interested parties but ultimately the council would be responsible making the final judgment. He said that it important to record carers details, especially for vulnerable patients. Any concerns should be reported to Social services on 909 6517.

Dr Raj (VR) queried a situation he had dealt with recently and (DC)said that if a GP had any concerns or doubts they should speak to Liz Walton.

(DC) went on to talk about Sue Lightup's retirement on June 19th. He said that aspects of her role and who would be responsible for them were still to be decided however there were no changes to the existing team structure below.

Dave Clemmett - day to day operations and supervision of social work.

Jenny McGovern - Commissioning

Keith Darragh - Support services and safeguarding

Janice Lowndes - Health improvement

Who will take on the statutory role of Sue's position with safeguarding and duty of care – to be decided.

He also reported that the City Council has become the lowest for Social Care delayed discharges in England. Members commented that this does not tally with the overall level of Delayed Discharges and Sir David Dalton's comments of 40% bed blocking.

##### Integrated Care Organisation

The Proposal is that lead provider is SRFT and the process of due diligence had begun. Shadow management arrangements were being discussed with a view to being in place for Oct 15 and discussions on the future

proposed structure for the Integrated Care Organisation with the merger of Adult Social care and Salford Healthcare by April 16.

Discussion ensued surrounding Devomanc how future funding would be allocated and potential impact to GP workload.

### **5. NHS Salford CCG - Update**

Alan Campbell was not at the meeting however he had asked Dr Patel (GP) to seek feedback from the meeting on the recent members event. After a lengthy discussion it was agreed that the workshops were a good idea however how their execution could be improved. It was also noted that there appeared to be no follow up on issues raised in the sessions.

It was agreed that David Dalton's slot was extremely beneficial and that his presence was important.

Dr Yates (MY) went on to describe how she had understood that SFRT would be the future lead provider for ICO and ICS and this was not the case. She questioned how many others were under the same assumption and suggested that the CCG could do more to improve understanding.

### **6. Healthier Together/Primary Care Strategy**

There was nothing further to discuss this month.

### **7. DevoManc**

This was not discussed further in the meeting.

### **8. Integrated Care**

The BMA Letter to LMC's & the a paper titles 'General practice and integration: Becoming architects of new care models in England' sent out with the agenda were noted.

(MY) gave feedback from her attendance at the recent Task Group meeting. She said the group was well attended with representatives from most areas. Paul Bishop chaired the meeting. (MY) added that this was GP's opportunity to influence integrated care models and the option to do nothing was not a favourable one. The group will continue to meet on a monthly basis.

At this point the discussion ensued regarding the role of Practice Managers in ensuring the smooth running of practices. The LMC were aware that the value of this population was not always recognised and that priorities appeared to focus elsewhere. The purpose of the Neighbourhood meetings and Practice Managers forum were also

discussed and it was noted opportunities for the view of Practice Managers to be heard were being missed, particular at the Neighbourhood meetings. (GP) said he would feed this back to the CCG.

**Action (GP)**

**9. Primary Care Summit June 10th. Drop in/Open afternoon (12pm - 5pm) at the AJ Bell Stadium, Stadium Way Eccles**

Members were reminded of the above and were encouraged to attend.

**AOB**

(VS) advised all that the contract with Northwest Commissioning Support Unit's (NWCSU) and not been renewed and their services would expire in April 2016. After discussion it was agreed that the LMC should speak to Karen Proctor/Steve Dixon and add the next LMC Executive for further discussion. **Action LMC**

The retirement of Alan Campbell and Sue Lightup was discussed and it was agreed by all that the LMC would like to make a small gesture in recognition of their support in the past.

**DATES FOR 2015 MEETINGS**

**Held on a Monday 7.15pm – 9.15pm (Buffet 6.45) at Cromptons at the Waterside 1 Parrin Lane Monton, Manchester M30 8AN**

Monday June 8th
Monday July 13th
No meeting in August
Monday Sept 14th
Monday Oct 12th
Monday Nov 9th
Monday December 14 <sup>th</sup> evening JOINT FOR MEMBERS OF BOTH SALFORD AND TRAFFORD SUBCOMMITTEES In Sam Platts, Trafford Wharf Road, Old Trafford, M17 1EX