**Minutes of Walsall Meeting, 10th September 2014**

**Present:**

Jay Patel – Chair Mark Olliver – AIMp

Malkit Singh - Walkers Fazal Rahman - AIMp

Steve Hartshorne - Hatshornes Daljit Sandhu - Morrisons

Jatin Patel – Lazy Hill Chetan Rai - Boots

Balraj Chohan – Beacon Harj Sadhra - Lloyds

Jas Pannu - Coalpool Jyoti Vadukal - Lloyds

Jan Nicholls - Secretary

Also in attendance: Maria, Pre-registration Graduate at Lazy Hill Pharmacy

**Welcome and apologies:** Jeff Blankley, Devita Dalvair, Hema Patel, Jyoti Saini

The meeting began with a round of introductions.

**Minutes and Actions**

There were no changes to the July minutes.

The secretary ran through the actions with updates.

**Meeting with BP, HP; WCCG**

Notes of the meeting are attached with this document.

*Discharge* - Will Willson had presented a paper to the board of the Trust proposing a limited service to SWIFT ward, possibly extending.

*Audit –* respiratory had been chosen for audit, probably in the spring.

*HLP –* had been briefly discussed but there is no possibility of funding at present. CR pointed out progress on a national HLP scheme lead by Gul Root, offering benefits to the project.

BP had suggested pharmacy send a representative to Star groups, which design treatments for priority disease areas eg respiratory, diabetes

**Medicines Optimisation Dashboard** (h[ttp://www.england.nhs.uk/ourwork/pe/mo-dash/](http://www.england.nhs.uk/ourwork/pe/mo-dash/)) Contains a wealth of information – allow time to explore.

*Prescribing costs* NP8 and OOP are helping to perpetuate rising costs.

**NHS Checks**

Jay continues to liaise with Drs Paulette Myers and Nina Chouhan-Lall. He had received a paper and asked for clarification on a few points, including

Trimming down questions to those tests available in the pharmacy;

No funding for:

consumables except typewriter ribbon;

HepB vaccination – also expected to be mandatory for ‘flu 2015;

Set up fee.

However there is a willingness to provide evening training and some equipment will be provided. It is expected that ~ 6 pharmacies may be commissioned on geographical and/or

demographical criteria. There is the option to purchase cartridges (~£7) personally or from the commissioner (£30 - £7). The target for checks is 28/month, 60/quarter.

There are ambiguities around the protocol ie annual or 5 year check?

Tenders are likely to request 12-month contract. Alan Turrell is involved in the process.

**Cluster Meeting**

Had centred on MAS (Wolves, Dudley, Sandwell) and…

**‘Flu Service**

Plans are well advanced, registration for pharmacy premises must be with NHS-E by **24th of September** for a 1st October start. Registration (at least initially) will be via the Walsall website.

Jay attends the **‘Flu Forum** in Walsall, giving us an insight on the overall service and access to promotional materials.

**LPN**

Newsletter due soon. Once MAS and ‘flu are established LPN will transfer effort to other priorities eg discharge, respiratory

**LMC**

GPs had a presentation on patient access to their own medical records; the GPs favour a minimum set of 2 data.

**HWB**

HealthWatch had presented to the board, as they represent patients’ interests in the new system the organization potentially have considerable influence and can introduce items to the HWB agenda, something we are unable to do.

Public Health are entering an interesting phase as they have no Medical Director and senior member of staff Cath Boneham is retiring.

**Payment update**

Hema had circulated an email stating that the LA had recently settled all the outstanding service claims. Apparently she had provided a spreadsheet with a full breakdown, largely ignored. Contractors reported that there had been no confirmation, no explanation and no contact information for queries, making it impossible for contractors to question or reconcile.

The Chair would feed back the committee’s response to this fiasco.

The group reviewed the ‘flu tab on the website via a projector kindly supplied by Chetan to familiarize them with information available there.

**Date of next meeting: October 8th**, **November 12th**

***Actions***

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| *Press for access to STAR groups* | *Jay/Jan* | √ |  |
| *Respiratory event – spring? Check with BP. HP* | *Jay/Jan* | √ |  |
| *Healthchecks, continue discussions* | *Jay* | √ |  |
| *‘Flu service – fill out online form* | *all* | √ | *√* |
| *Alert EoI contractors* | *Jan* | √ |  |
| *Payments – contact Hema for comment and an LA contact* | *Jan* | √ |  |
| *Respond to good practice guidelines* | *Jay* | √ |  |
| *Follow up adult safeguarding policy* | *Jan* | x |  |
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