**Minutes of Walsall Meeting, 10th February 2016**

**Present:**

Jay Patel - Chair Chetan Rai – CCA Boots

Daljit Sandhu - Morrisons Malkit Singh - Walkers

Harj Sadhra - CCA Lloyds Sudheer Kamath – CCA Tesco

Jas Pannu – Coalpool Pharmacy Steve Hartshorne - KV Hartshorne

Fazal Rehman – AIMp Balraj Chohan,- Beacon Pharmacy

Jan Nicholls - CO

WCCG: Hema Patel

Members took part in working group discussions and shared ideas around the PSNC campaign prior to the business meeting.

Business commenced with a buffet and presentation on *AirFluSal® Forspiro®* by Caroline Tansley, Key Account Manager, Sandoz Limited.

Support materials are available on this link: www.airflusal.co.uk

Shamina Asif and David Stevens, Walsall Local Optical committee, presented their Eye Health initiative, supported by WCCG. Planned start 1st March. Patients presenting with minor eye problems can be referred to an accredited Optometrist, initially for triage by a receptionist. If appropriate they can be offered an appointment for an eye examination within 24/48 hours – not an NHS eye test. A similar scheme in Wolves has successfully reduced attendance at the Eye Hospital.

WLOC have facilitated an update in the formulary of medications allowed for treatment of eye conditions. There may be scope for pharmacists to provide medication to patients in the future via a voucher scheme.

Local optometrists are also running tests for increased intra-ocular pressure.

Information and eye care packs can be obtained via the LOC website: [www.walsall-loc.co.uk](http://www.walsall-loc.co.uk)

Action:: Details will be added to the Walsall LPC website in due course.

**Apologies:** Jyoti Vadukul, Abs Bashir, Jatin Patel, Paul Gnosill, Jyoti Saini

The group reviewed **January notes**. There were no amendments.

**Actions & Matters Arising**

**CRi** are ready to set up the SPOC phone but implementation will be delayed to make appropriate changes to the SLA. During the month there had been further reports of lack of capacity to collect sharps, leading to an offer to conduct an audit of providers’ needs;

**Flu evaluation** – no information had been forthcoming from NHS-E. Feedback from N Staffs suggested limited usefulness of the SPOC system from a provider perspective;

**Prescription Rpt Guidelines:** Fazal and Jas had met with Hema and Bob, as a result the guidelines are being rewritten.

Action: The Chair requested they be circulated to GP practices **asap** as a number of other versions were being received in pharmacies;

**Key contacts for NHS2 & LMC:** no further information;

**HSCiC:** Masterclass dates confirmed as 14th & 15th March;

**Feedback to NHS-E on service proposals:** no further information;

**Progress on PH training:** few contractors expressed an interest.

**EPS** go live Bloxwich 14th March. EPS Masterclass dates confirmed as 14th & 15th March. Booking details have been emailed to all contractors by HSCiC.

Action: Q – what if dates are not suitable?

**CCG Update** –Hema Patel

Hema confirmed finance for an enhanced eye care scheme where pharmacists supply drugs to patients is being considered but has yet to be agreed.

Contractor query - NRT vouchers -> Darlaston HC.

All other matters had been covered in review of actions.

**Meeting reports**

Reports in DBx

**Medicines management**

All agreed detailed service figures would assist in optimising vaccination and other services.

Action: request access/regular updates from NHS-E and CSU.

**Flu forum** - report in DBx.

Both GPs and pharmacists had been asked to promote service to at-risk groups and pregnant women, around 68% over 65s had been vaccinated.

**HLP**

Hema confirmed the concept remains on PH agenda. LPC would support providing adequate funding and a simplified accreditation process were agreed, acknowledged there is no national template. PH are interested in providing consistent health messages from pharmacy. Training in MECC would underpin this aim, PH have offered to train pharmacists, initially in the west of the borough. Publicity produced very little interest.

**Cluster Forum/ LPN Update**

Jay/Jan gave a verbal report. Written report in DBx.

**Summary Care Records**

Solihull chair had concerns over timing of SCR training, we had been lead to expect that Solihull, Wolves and Worcs would be pilot sites.

Locums need a 5F code.

Action: to be investigated

No dates on HSCiC website:

<http://systems.hscic.gov.uk/scr/pharmacy>

Each pharmacy needs a designated Privacy Officer, for companies an Area Manager may be appropriate, independents may be more complex:

http://systems.hscic.gov.uk/scr/pharmacy/privacy-officer/index\_html

Process here:

http://systems.hscic.gov.uk/scr/pharmacy/implementation/index\_html

Hema left the meeting.

Future meetings: March 9th, April 13th, May 11th (A full list of dates is in the DBx.)

Actions

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| ***Newsletter*** ► |  |  |  |
| *Publicise AirFluSal Forspiro* | *Jan pending* |  |  |
| *Publicise WLOC* | *Jan pending* |  |  |
| *Expedite updated Rpt Presc guidelines*  | *Hema*  |  |  |
| *Publicise HSCiC training, alternative dates* | *Jan* | √√ |  |
| *Contact CSU to request regular data* | *Jan* | √ |  |
| *Investigate SCR events* | *Jan/Len, Solihull* | √ |  |
| *Scope/complete LPC progress on PO template* | *Chetan*, *all* |  |  |
| *Respond to DH/NHS-E letter* | *Jan* | √ |  |
| *Campaign actions* | *all* | √ |  |