**Minutes of Walsall LPC Meeting, 9th March 2016**

**Present:**

Jay Patel - Chair Malkit Singh - Walkers

Chetan Rai – CCA Boots Harj Sadhra - CCA Lloyds

Fazal Rehman – AIMp Daljit Sandhu - Morrisons

Sudheer Kamath – CCA Tesco Steve Hartshorne - KV Hartshorne

Jatin Patel – Lazy Hill Jas Pannu – Coalpool Pharmacy

Liz Mcpherson – CCA Boots Jan Nicholls - CO

WCCG: Hema Patel

Prior to the main meeting the Chair and CO, together with COs of Dudley and Sandwell LPCs, met with HSCiC staff Michelle Hulme and Gary Lee to scope SCR training sessions. They explained the process and will contact us with training dates - in the main for independent contractors - in April and May. Every pharmacy MUST send one person to a training session. Any pharmacy will be able to book into these events and as there will probably be only one session in Walsall, open access may become relevant. Contractors will be able to choose from any LPC hosted sessions in the near future; Birmingham, Wolves and Solihull as well as Walsall, Dudley and Sandwell

A step-by-step guide and other planning documents are available on the HSCiC website, these will be used on the Walsall website to support the process when dates are announced. If you speak to any contractors, please make them aware. The next newsletter will carry the information. There is a brief report in the DBx.

**Welcome and Apologies:** Jyoti Vadukul, Abs Bashir, Balraj Chohan, Paul Gnosill, Jyoti Saini

The group reviewed **February notes** with updates. There were no amendments.

**Actions & Matters Arising**

**Sandoz/Forspiro** webpage has been written but not posted, CO took group views on appropriateness.

**Minor Eye Conditions** again,webpage has been written but not posted as service has been delayed, the SLAs have not been signed off by participating optometrists. Furthermore the LPC view the service as a consultation with the pharmacist and are not satisfied with the £1.50 fee offered. Hema responded that max £2 would be possible. Posters etc have already been sent to community pharmacies.

Action: alert contractors re delay

**CRi** have set up the SPOC phone and notified all participating contractors. They report it is working well from their perspective. There is no feedback to the pharmacy;

**HSCiC** hadnot been particulalry helpful in facilitating alternative sessions for pharmacists for whom the allocatedEPS Masterclass dates were not suitable. All sessions are open and it’s necessary to trawl though the dates on the relevant webpage and pick another date.

There were no declarations of other business. Our newest CCA nominee, Liz Mcpherson, had entered during the previous item. A round of introductions followed.

**CCG Update/Medicines Management** –Hema Patel

**Pharmacy First** Hema provided data to the end of Feb.

Headline stats:

51 out of 64 accredited pharmacies active
Number of consultations: 7961
36 referrals
Appts saved: 89% -> GP; 3% -> A&E; 8% -> walk-in centre; other 0.9% (figures rounded up)
Feedback: Excellent 71.3%, Good 27%, Satisfactory 1.5%,Poor 0.1% (6 patients)

**Due to an LA IT issue payments for services are currently 5 months in arrears.**

**Prescription Rpt Guidelines:** Following Fazal and Jas’ meeting with Hema and Bob the CCG guidelines have been rewritten and circulated. Some surgeries have produced their own guidelines. LPC have not formally examined or endorsed these and contractors are advised to speak to the practice pharmacist with any concerns. Bear in mind repeat prescription collection and delivery is not an NHS service.

The latest figures predict an out-turn of £4 million. It is hoped repeat prescription efficiencies will produce £1.5 million;

The proposed **incentive scheme** had been accepted.

Surveys circulated by LA/PH:

[www.walsall.gov.uk/public\_health\_best\_start\_consultation](http://www.walsall.gov.uk/public_health_best_start_consultation)

If you would like to discuss any of the issues raised in the questionnaire then please call Walsall Public Health on 01922 653 747, Email publichealth@walsall.gov.uk or write to Public Health, Civic Centre, Darwall Street , Walsall, WS1 1TP

This survey cites leisure centres as an appropriate source of advice for children and young people, why not pharmacy?

[www.walsall.gov.uk/bereavement-consultation](http://www.walsall.gov.uk/bereavement-consultation)<<http://www.walsall.gov.uk/bereavement-consultation>>

**EPS**

**go live** Bloxwich 14th March.

**HSCiC:** Masterclass dates confirmed as 14th & 15th March; booking figures had been requested, not forthcoming.

**SCR dates** t/f shortly, requested April - mid-May. Training is **mandatory** for a minimum of one team member. Mixed reports from those who had already attended. The process, including the funding element, had been circulated via PSNC enewsletter to contractors and will be followed up. Links will be placed on the website. (In his apology Abs had mentioned support for contractors but had not made specific suggestions...)

Action: survey contractors when training dates have passed, consider further action eg mentoring?

**Meeting reports**

Reports in DBx:

**Health Economy Medicines Safety Group**

**HWBB** it had not been possible to include **pharmacy funding** at the recent meeting (29th Feb).

Cllrs did not appear to have been aware of funding cuts and their implications to the local health landscape. All committee members are requested to contact their local councillor, listed by postcode and alphabetically by surname here: https://cmispublic.walsall.gov.uk/cmis/Councillors.aspx

Hema left the meeting at 14.43pm

Closed Section

In line with PSNC assessment template, headings will be included in open notes in future.

**Minor Eye Conditions**

**Easter Rota**

**Cluster Meeting: DevoManchester**

Campaign – “2016/17 and beyond…………” DH/NHSE letter - events/Ideas

Group Progress

Governance

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

Actions

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| *Post AirFluSal Forspiro page* | *Jan*  |  |  |
| *Publicise WLOC delay* | *Jan*  |  |  |
| *HSCiC publicise SCR training & create surveymonkey* | *Jan* |  |  |
| ***Complete Campaign actions*** | ***all*** |  |  |
| ***Changes due to PO Assessment tool*** |  |  |  |
| *Include group members on agenda* | *Jan* |  |  |
| *List topics in Closed section* | *Jan* | √ |  |
| *Separate competency template/circulate/complete* | *Harj/Jan/all* |  |  |
| *Ideas for Work Programme to April meeting* | *all* |  |  |
| *Campaign actions* | *all* |  |  |
| *Jan send monthly claims to Harj, Malkit prior to meeting* | *Jan* |  |  |
| *Arrange LA publicity* | *Jan* |  |  |

***Background Reading***

***West Midlands Combined Authority***

<https://westmidlandscombinedauthority.org.uk/>

Constituent members have ultimate voting rights and can only be signed up to one combined authority. The constituent authorities for the West Midlands Combined Authority are:

* [Birmingham City Council](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/wmca)
* [City of Wolverhampton Council](http://www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/home)
* [Coventry City Council](http://www.coventry.gov.uk/combinedauthority)
* [Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council](http://www.dudley.gov.uk/media/latest-news/west-midlands-combined-authority-what-does-it-mean-for-you/combined-authority-for-councils-in-the-west-midlands/)
* [Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council](http://www.sandwell.gov.uk/combinedauthority)
* [Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council](http://www.solihull.gov.uk/combinedauthority)
* [Walsall Council](http://cms.walsall.gov.uk/index/council_and_democracy/west_midlands_combined_authority.htm)

Non-constituent members can sign up to more than one combined authority and have less voting rights than constituent members. The non-constituent authorities for the West Midlands Combined Authority are:

* [Cannock Chase District Council](https://www.cannockchasedc.gov.uk/)
* [Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council](https://www.nuneatonandbedworth.gov.uk/)
* [Redditch Borough Council](http://www.redditchbc.gov.uk/)
* [Tamworth Borough Council](http://www.tamworth.gov.uk/tamworth-join-planned-west-midlands-combined-authority)
* [Telford and Wrekin Council](http://www.telford.gov.uk/news/article/3085/councils_decision_on_west_midlands_combined_authority)

Walsall agreed to join on March 8th, 2016: <https://westmidlandscombinedauthority.org.uk/news/walsall-formally-joins-the-west-midlands-combined-authority/>

***Articles of Association and Rules for a provider company with LPC directors***

log on to this page: http://psnc.org.uk/lpcs/lpc-members-area/lpc-resources/