

Hillingdon LMC News Update

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Chair: Dr Mitch Garsin

LMC Secretary: Dr Eleanor Scott

1. Londonwide LMCs' Annual Conference

Under pressure: stabilise, transform and sustain general practice in London

Date: Thursday 27 April 2017 Time: 8 am – 5 pm Venue: Emirates Stadium, Hornsey Road, London N7 7AJ

This popular event was booked out last year. It is free to attend for GPs and Practice Managers. <u>Book your tickets</u> early by registering online

2. Strategic issues - what's going on

Delegated commissioning

Practices will be asked to vote in February on whether Hillingdon CCG should take on fully delegated commissioning from NHSE. Advice from NWL LMC Chairs on the CCG consultation process was sent to practices on 4 November. Catch up with this below

- NWL LMC Chairs' letter
- Factsheet
- Guide to delegated commissioning

Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP)

General practice sustainability plans, containing plans for the reinvestment of PMS premium funds, are currently being developed by your CCG. The plans will be subject to an assurance process carried out by NHS England London and Londonwide LMCs.

PMS Review

The pause on the PMS contract review has now been lifted and the process has now restarted. The CCG will lead the process and will be consulting with the LMC. The review will be conducted at local level regardless of the outcome of the vote on fully delegated commissioning. The CCG will be informing you of the process and timeframe for the PMS contract review.

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3. Coroner's Office: are you receiving a good service?

Towards the end of last year the Senior Coroner responsible for the Coroner's Office services in Hillingdon was suspended. Interim arrangements are in place to cover his absence. Please <u>let us know</u> of any problems you are experiencing with the service so we can get a full picture of what is going on.

4. MRSA follow up – is this your job?

Instances have been reported of hospital trusts forwarding MRSA screening results to practices for them to follow up. This is not your job! Following up MRSA results is the responsibility of the trust NOT your practice. Providing the results don't indicate the need for immediate action for the patient, please return them to the hospital to follow up.

You can save yourself time and effort by using one of the template letters provided for this purpose in <u>resources</u> for practices on the Londonwide LMCs' website.

5. Passports applications - to sign or not to sign?

Practices should note that a GP CANNOT sign a patient's passport application. (GPs can countersign passport applications for people they know well. Eg as good friends)

6. Checking you're on the Performers' List - as easy as ABC

Delays caused by Capita in updating the Performers List have created anxiety for many newly qualified or trainee GPs. Any GP can check they are on the database by clicking on this LINK. It takes a few seconds

PMS review

Read the latest LLMC PMS bulletin <u>here</u>.

GPC Newsletter

<u>LMC Latest</u> <u>News</u>

If you would like to bring any issue of concern to any issue of concern to any member of your LMC, or would like to raise a confidential issue in your practice that you would like advice on, contact Esther Bennett on <u>esther.bennett@lmc.o</u> rg.uk or on 020 3818 6222 / 07464 821256

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The next meeting of Hillingdon LMC is on 21 February 2017

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