

KCW and H&F LMC News Update

July 2016

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1. KCW and H&F LMC Open Meeting report – The Challenges facing General Practice

In response to the GP State of Emergency, KCW & HF LMC held their most recent LMC meeting as an Open Meeting for all GPs and Practice Managers. Chaired by LMC Chair Dr Paul O'Reilly, the meeting discussed the GP State of Emergency, key local and national developments affecting your practice and followed by a lively question and answer session with panellists Dr Tony Grewal, D Katie Bramall-Stainer and Jane Betts.

The meeting welcomed Dr Katie Bramall-Stainer, recently appointed as a Medical Director in NWL, and acknowledged the valuable contribution Dr Tony Grewal has made as KCW LMC.

The resources used at the meeting can be accessed [here](#).

2. Premises updates

- *New Premises Cost Directions* - Publication is expected in September 2016. The new Directions will set out the eligibility for 100% capital reimbursement. It is possible that 100% reimbursement will be on the understanding that CCGs will not pick up additional revenue costs created by the scheme. **GP Practices should bear in mind when bidding for funds that they may only qualify for 66% reimbursement.**
- *New template lease for NHSPS tenants* - A template lease was published in May 2016. This is a starting point and not a 'one size fits all'. **Practices should obtain legal advice on their individual situation and lease.** There is a 'grace period' until November 2017 when stamp duty land tax and legal fees will have capped support.
- *Estates and technology transformation fund (ETTF)* - This replaces the former Primary Care Transformation Fund. CCGs have gathered bids for prioritisation and submission during June. These are larger projects in line with local estates strategies. **See below, no further action needed from practices at this time.**
- *London Improvement Grant Programme* - This will be launched in Summer 2016 for bids for 2017/18.

Visit www.GPSOE.org.uk to help you through this state of emergency

- Letter templates
- Guidance
- posters

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Personal Medical Services (PMS) review

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3. Estates and Technology Transformation Fund (ETTF) 2016/17

The ETTF has been badged as a 4 year programme to support investment in General Practice infrastructure, it was formerly called the Primary Care Transformation Fund (PCTF) and will cease on 31 March 2019. The Fund supports investment in estates, in line with local CCG estates strategies, and includes bids for technology to support patient care, in line with CCG digital roadmaps. Londonwide LMCs is of the opinion that the total London allocation for this fund will be utilised by the remaining 2015/16 bids and the current submitted 2016/17 bids. Londonwide LMCs is concerned that for practices to develop new bids will require a significant investment for the practice with a low likelihood of success. In view of this, Londonwide LMCs would suggest that practices carefully consider the benefit of developing any further projects so that they do not waste precious practice resources. Practices will be aware that any future project needs to align with one or more of the national ETTF criteria and the CCG Local Estates Strategy. Any plans deemed appropriate by the CCG will then be further assessed by NHSE London to prioritise these according to the strategic priority. If practices are considering bidding for further funding, it would be advisable to discuss this informally with the CCG prior to making the considerable investment required to submit a formal bid.

4. Training opportunities for practice staff

Learning Education and Development (LEAD) events are well received, have a great reputation and are run on a not for profit basis to keep costs to practices to a minimum. Please see the list of upcoming events below:

- Travel Health Update for GPNs 1.00pm to 5.00pm Thursday 30 June 2016
- HR in General Practice Two essential events for GPs and practice managers, Wednesday 13 July 2016.
http://www.lmc.org.uk/article.php?group_id=15101
 - HR in General Practice (Recruitment and Selection in General Practice) 9.00am to 12.30pm Wednesday 13 July 2016
 - HR in General Practice (Employment Contracts in General Practice) 1.00pm to 4.30pm Wednesday 13 July 2016

NHS Standard Hospital Contract changes

Effective from April 2016, the NHS Standard Hospital Contract has been amended to stop hospitals sending patients who've missed appointments back to their GP. Asking GPs to re-refer to a related specialty will cease, and there'll be an end to asking GPs to chase up hospital results, with responsibility falling upon the requesting clinician.

GPs should notify their CCG in the event that the contract is not being followed. Hospitals are required to publish local access policies and evidence of having taken account of GP feedback when considering service redevelopment and design.

NWL LMCs will assist CCGs with the monitoring of these new arrangements to ensure that the new requirements of the NHS Standard Hospital Contract are complied with and that the GP feedback has been fully taken into account through regular LMC/CCG engagement and liaison meetings.

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