



Merton LMC update

December 2016

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1. Introducing your new Local Medical Committee

LMC elections took place in the summer. We are pleased to announce that Dr Marek Jarzembowski has been elected to serve as Chair of Merton LMC for a two year term (2016-18).

The full list of current Merton LMC members is set out below. Please contact them if you have any queries

Chair	Dr Marek Jarzembowski	marek.jarzembowski@nhs.net
LMC members	Dr Divya Balachandar	d.balachandar@nhs.net
	Dr Andrew Otley	andrew.otley@nhs.net
	Dr Nicola Waldman	nicola.waldman@nhs.net
*Practice Manager observers (nominated by the Practice Manager Forum)	East Merton: Pat Hennessy/Gill Frost	pat.hennessy@nhs.net gill.frost@nhs.net
	West Merton: Linda Bradley (West Merton)/Barbara Young Lynsey Buckles (Deputy)	linda.bradley2@nhs.net barbara.young2@nhs.net lynsey.buckles@nhs.net

*It is anticipated that one practice manager from each locality will attend Merton LMC Meetings.

Londonwide LMCs Team

Each Local Medical Committee is supported by a team at the Londonwide LMCs' office. The following staff are dedicated to working with Merton LMC and supporting GPs and their practices in the delivery of primary care across Merton.

Medical Director /
LMC Secretary

Dr Asiya Yunus

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Director of Primary Care Strategy	Julie Freeman	Julie.Freeman@lmc.org.uk
Assistant Director of Primary Care Strategy	Nicola Rice	Nicola.Rice@lmc.org.uk
Committee Liaison Executive	Amber Davis	Amber.Davis@lmc.org.uk

If you have any issues or queries please contact Amber Davis in the first instance by email.

2. General Practice State of Emergency (GPSoE) Campaign

To help practice staff to manage the increasing workload, Londonwide LMCs has produced some emergency guidance for practices to use to manage requests for unresourced work and to identify and communicate to patients activities that are not covered by the core contract.

The resources can be accessed [here](#).

3. Friends and Family Test

Practices are reminded that it is a contractual requirement for Friends and Family Test submissions to be made by the twelfth working day of the month on a **monthly** basis. Even if you have no submissions in a particular month please enter 0 in the relevant sections on CQRS. We need to remind you that if these returns are not made, it may result in the practice receiving a breach notice.

4. Londonwide LMCs patient engagement project

Did you know it is a contractual requirement to have a Patient Participation Group (PPG)? Having difficulties establishing or running an effective PPG? Let us know by contacting Beryl.Cross@lmc.org.uk

5. London Sexual Health Transformation Programme – October 2016 update

Londonwide LMCs has kept practices updated on the progress of the London Sexual Health Transformation Programme by including regular updates of the programme in the Londonwide LMCs newsletters. The most recent briefing is available [here](#) which includes the specific **South West London** update as follows:

SWL (and Hounslow) are committed to working together as a sub-region but there are no plans for a full SWL sub-region procurement. However, Wandsworth, Merton and Richmond will be producing an Inner SW sub regional Integrated Sexual Health Service to commence delivery in autumn 2017. These three boroughs intend to use the London E.healthcare services as the basis for the new system.

Sutton has recently procured an integrated service which commenced on 1 April 2016 and will be charging using Integrated Sexual Health Tariff (ISHT). Croydon have entered into a Section 75 Agreement with their current provider and will continue shadowing ISHT in 2016/17. Kingston has no plans for an at scale reconfiguration of its services. Hounslow have an integrated service contract ending in 2019.