

Southwark LMC News Update

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1. Our Healthier South East London STP public events

Our Healthier South East London (OHSEL) STP will be holding public events in each of the boroughs for the public to hear about the future of health services in south east London. These events will operate under a market place style configuration with market stalls run by partners and stakeholders integral to the SESTP. The events will end with a Q&A session where people will have the opportunity to question a panel of local clinicians and experts on the SESTP.

The Our Healthier South East London STP event for Southwark will be held on Tuesday 11 July 2017, 5pm- 8pm at Walworth Methodist Church, 54 Camberwell Road, SE5 0EW. For further information about this event, please visit the [Our Healthier South East London](#) website. We would encourage you to attend this event in order to hear what is being proposed and to make good use of the opportunity to provide comments making the case for, and supporting general practice.

2. Southwark LMC- what have we been doing for you?

At recent Southwark LMC meetings members discussed key strategic and operational issues and recent developments with the CCG.

Issues discussed included:

- [SEL Sustainability and Transformation Plan](#)
- Southwark CCG's plans for delegated commissioning
- Southwark CCG's Primary Care commissioning Intentions
- Leg ulcer Management
- Extended Access.

There have also been several meetings with the CCG and NHSEL with regard to the PMS contract review. Practices are advised to work to their current PMS contract between now and October 2017.

3. Southwark LMC calls for Sessional GPs

Southwark LMC acts for all NHS GPs working within Southwark, not only supporting them, but also representing their views to other agencies. With the recent plethora of re-organisations within the NHS, coupled with lack of funding and increased pressures put upon GPs, LMC representation is needed more than ever. One of the core values of the LMC is equity and fairness. Sessional GPs (whether salaried or locums) are often under-represented on the LMCs.

If there are any sessional GPs who want to actively participate in representing their colleagues, and enfranchise an ever-growing section of their profession, **please**

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consider applying to become an LMC member. Perhaps you would like to observe an LMC meeting?

If you are considering taking a role on your local LMC or to attend a meeting, please contact Amber Davis- Londonwide LMC Committee Liaison Executive on: 020 3818 6249 or email Amber.Davis@lmc.org.uk

4. GP Contract changes for 17/ 18- indemnity fees

Details of the contract changes for 17/18 can be accessed [here](#). One of the key elements relates to an additional £30m which will be added to practice budgets based on a per patient basis and not weighted. This is intended to cover the increase in indemnity costs for all GPs working in the practice including salaried GPs. As this money will be paid directly to practices GP Partners should ensure that the appropriate amount of funding reaches their salaried GP colleagues. Locum GPs will need to ensure that the invoices/agreements with practices are uplifted appropriately to take account of this business expense.

5. Prospective Employers requests to see copies of appraisal summaries

It has come to Londonwide LMCs' attention that some prospective employers have been asking candidates to share with them their appraisal summary. The LLMC view supported by colleagues on the GPC, is that this is unacceptable practice. GP appraisal documentation is highly privileged information with restricted access for specific purposes only, relating to the Medical Register, Licensing and Performers' list requirements.

Knowing that one's appraisal might be used as evidence for a future interview could potentially undermine the benefits of self-reflection and transparency and therefore the purpose of appraisal as a developmental tool.

It is reasonable that the potential employer requests evidence of regular appraisal and date of revalidation and this could be the screen shot of the appraisal page on Clarity that shows appraisal dates.

6. PCSE Complaints

Southwark LMC are aware of the ongoing issues which practices are experiencing with PCSE. Practices who have previously contacted PCSE's customer service centre regarding payment issues, should have been supplied with a CSC reference number. Southwark LMC advises practices to escalate their complaint if they do not receive timely resolution of issues, by emailing ENGLAND.SMTinfo@nhs.net quoting your CSC reference number.

7. General Practice Forward View

NHS England published the General Practice Forward View (GPFV) on 21 April 2016, setting out a programme of support for general practice over the next five years. Further details are available by viewing the [BMA guidance](#)

8. LLMC Patient Engagement Project

Londonwide LMCs Patient Engagement Project team conducted a patient engagement survey which offered practices the opportunity to help inform our Patient Engagement Project's development and delivery by sharing their experiences of patient participation groups (PPGs). The results for the Patient Engagement Survey can be found [HERE](#)

It is a contractual requirement to have a Patient Participation Group (PPG). For more information on Londonwide LMCs Patient Engagement Project, including workshops for practice team and PPG members, please email Beryl.Cross@lmc.org.uk .

Your Southwark LMC

If you would like to bring any issue of concern to any member of Southwark LMC or, if you would like to raise a confidential issue in your practice that you would like advice on, contact Amber Davis on Amber.Davis@lmc.org.uk or telephone 020 3818 62469

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BMA Standard Hospital Contract Guidance

Click [HERE](#) for templates to provide practices and LMCs with resources to hold both CCGs and hospital trusts to account to implement contractual changes which also includes templates which can be imported into Emis Web or SystemOne.

New LLMC Practice mergers guidance

This guidance is to make GPs and their practices aware of what needs to be taken into account when considering a merger with another practice (or practices). It is a summary of some basic issues that practices need to be aware of and address in their exploratory discussions with the other practice(s). Access it [here](#).

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