

London GPs and practice teams continued to provide high quality care throughout 2018 against a backdrop of increasing workload demands, and you should be proud of the work you have achieved under considerable pressure.

The Board of Directors and I are immensely proud of the achievements of the Londonwide LMCs' staff team in the past year. You can be confident that all of us who represent our profession through membership of LMCs will continue to stand up for general practice in London.

This year sees the departure of Dr Paul O'Reilly from the Board, and we thank him for all of his insightful advice and hard work and wish him well in his future ventures.

This year has also seen LMCs across the capital hold elections and I am delighted to note the successful appointment of a number of new representatives alongside the welcome return of experienced members and officers, as we enter what looks like another challenging period for London general practice.

As primary care increasingly looks to technological solutions for the growing workforce and workload challenges faced by GPs and their teams every day, concerns about the destabilising and disruptive impact of emergent and aggressive private companies cherry picking patients remain.

In the face of GP practice closures and rising financial pressures, I am proud of Londonwide LMCs' continued support for practices with stretched finances, increasing workload and significant workforce challenges around GP, practice nurses and practice staff numbers. They do this while never losing sight of the GP/patient relationship and continuity of care that is at the heart of general practice.

Along side its continued consistent support for LMC members' development, particularly Chairs and Vice Chairs, I am confident this year has built upon Londonwide and individual LMCs' capabilities and reputation among constituents, putting us in a strong position for the challenges of the next 12 months, wherever they may arise.



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Dr Adam Jenkins
Chair

