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Re-inventing medicine round-table

At our annual conference in May, Prof Martin Marshall, vice-chair of RCGP Council, spoke about the need to reconsider what general practice and community medicine looks like. Reinventing medicine is about re-prioritising what is important about supporting patients to improve their health; the wider determinants of health; the inverse care law; recognising that the biomedical model has limitations and that the GP's holistic approach can benefit all medicine.

We will be convening a round-table to consider these issues and feed into his work. We are hoping to hold a meeting at Londonwide LMCs' offices on Tuesday 21 August 2018. Prof Marshall has defined re-inventing medicine as being about:

Being more explicit about the limitations of the established model of medicine.

Encouraging a more central role for people using health services in making decisions about their own health and care.

Reducing the waste and risk associated with inappropriate medical interventions and utilising social interventions when they are likely to be more effective.

Supporting health professionals to practice medicine in a way that improves the health and wellbeing of patients and communities.

We would be interested to hear your thoughts on other areas the round-table could consider, via info@lmc.org.uk. There are also a very limited number of places at the round-table available.