

Ealing LMC News Update

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1. Elections to Ealing LMC – beat the deadline

2016 is Election year. The deadline for nominations is 5 pm on 3 June. There are 4 places up for election on Ealing LMC, which is a sub-committee of Ealing, Hammersmith and Hounslow LMC.

Find more information <u>here</u> and contact <u>Londonwide LMCs</u> if you have any questions.

2. GP State of Emergency

Ealing GPs and Practice Managers heard a presentation on the current state of emergency in general practice at an LMC Open meeting on 4 May. A lively discussion followed on current issues and how these can be addressed.

Londonwide LMCs have developed additional resources to support general practice through this difficult time. These are available on a dedicated State of Emergency website and include resilience guides, letter templates, posters and videos: <u>http://gpsoe.org.uk/gpsoe/</u>

3. NWL Diabetic eye screening programme

The North West London Diabetic Eye Screening Programme was formed on 1 November 2015. It serves the diabetic population of Ealing, Hammersmith & Fulham, Hounslow, Kensington, Chelsea & Westminster Brent, Harrow and Hillingdon.

For patients referred to the programme by their General Practice, the provider, Health Intelligence, is responsible for inviting, screening, grading and referring to the Hospital Eye Services as required.

Practices which have not received training on the Health Intelligence software are advised to contact <u>Penny.Howard@health-intelligence.com</u> or the helpdesk on 01270 527373. The training does not take long and the software is straightforward to use.

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4. Appraisal and revalidation

The Royal College of GPs has issued new guidance which aims to reduce inconsistencies in interpretation and simplify and streamline the recommendations. This includes clarification on

- What counts as CPD
- Demonstrating impact
- What is a Significant Event

See the <u>RCGP brief introduction</u> for a summary of the changes.

5. Confidential hotline for GPs and practices

Londonwide LMCs' GP Support team exist to provide confidential support to GPs and practices. Any practice under investigation by an NHS body is encouraged to make contact with a member of the team:

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6. GP registration of offenders scheme

The London GP Registration for Offenders Scheme aims to reduce inequalities between people who come into contact with the criminal justice system and the overall population of London by ensuring that, as part of their integration back into the community, offenders are registered with a local GP.

Where a person is homeless it has been agreed with NHS England that their registered address (for GP registration purposes only), will be the Probation office, Youth Justice or Substance Misuse Service in their local area. By enabling better access to healthcare the scheme aims to improve the continuity of care particularly for people who have been subject to spells of imprisonment. NWL LMCs are in discussions with the GP Registration for Offenders Scheme to ensure that local protocols are fit for purpose.

Please see the attached overview and FAQs for more information.

PMS Review

The latest bulletin on the PMS Review is available <u>HERE</u>.

Primary Care Transformation Fund

The Primary Care Transformation Fund, has been renamed the Estates & Technology Transformation Fund (ETTF).

NHSE has provided additional information in respect of what is in the 'pipeline' so that your teams can plan with a little more certainty of what is coming next. Further guidance is expected for the 2017/18 and 2018/19 fund.

Follow the link to an NHSE communication to read more about this.

Contact us

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