

Harrow LMC News Update

May 2016

Chair: Dr Fergus McCloghry

LMC Secretary: Dr Eleanor Scott

1. Londonwide LMCs PMS review update – 12 May

Londonwide LMCs would like to invite you to a briefing to update you on the latest position on the PMS review.

- Date: 12 May 2016
- Time: 19.00 – 21.00
- Venue: The Paget Room, BMA House, Tavistock Place, WC1H 9LG

The lead GP and Practice Manager of each PMS practice are strongly advised to attend this meeting. Coffee and biscuits will be served before the meeting.

Please confirm your attendance to Marie Vassallo by email (marie.vassallo@lmc.org.uk) or by telephone on 0203 818 6257.

2. 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.

3. Primary Care Transformation Fund

The Primary Care Transformation Fund, has now been renamed as 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 2016/19 fund

Please follow the link to an [NHSE communication](#) providing more information on the fund.

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Harrow LMC members can be contacted via the [LLMC office](#).

LMC election year

This year is election year at Londonwide LMCs. Nominations need to be received by Friday 3 June 2016 and the elections will take place from late June to mid July 2016. Please find more information [here](#) and contact [LLMC](#) if you have any questions.

Please find the latest LLMC
PMS bulletin [here](#).

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LMC buddy working

Your LMC buddy is an LMC member who provides a direct link and ensures two way communications between you/your practice and the LMC. Your LMC buddy is available to you/your practice by phone, email and in person when attending local meetings. This means that your views are more effectively represented and your practice is better informed of local developments and the LMC's position on local and national issues.

The LMC members buddy list and factsheet is [available here](#).

4. NWL Diabetic eye screening programme

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

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

Practices which have not received training on the Health Intelligence software are advised to contact Penny.Howard@health-intelligence.com the helpdesk on 01270 527373. The programme has been providing the screening since November last year, therefore those who have not received training will have data outstanding to be actioned. Health Intelligence advise the training does not take long and the software is straightforward.

5. Medical reports in support of housing applications

NWL practices have advised us that they are receiving frequent requests for reports in support of housing applications.

Please see [LLMC guidance](#) on this issue

You are NOT contractually obliged to provide such reports to patients on demand. When the Housing Department requests a report you should receive a fee. The LLMC guidance includes a template letter, a statement on this issue from the LMC and a poster for patient information.

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