

# Hounslow LMC News Update

November/December 2016

*Chair: Dr Varendar Winayak*

*LMC Secretary: Dr Katie Bramall-Stainer*

## 1. Hounslow LMC – your new team

At the LMC elections over the summer, GPs in Ealing elected LMC members to represent them for the next 2 years. The LMC has also co-opted an additional GP for experience and a Practice Manager.

Here are details of your new team:

Dr Surina Chibber

Dr Raquel Delgado (Vice Chair)

Dr Kapil Kotecha

Dr Bashir Qureshi

Dr Raj Singh

Dr Navin Thakrar

Dr Victoria Weeks

Dr Varendar Winayak (Chair)

Cindy Heslington, Practice Manager

Dr Eleanor Scott, Medical Director, has now left the LMC; she was warmly thanked for her contribution. Dr Katie Bramall-Stainer takes her place.

If you would like to bring any issue of concern to any member of your LMC, or would like to raise a confidential issue in your practice that you would like advice on, contact Esther Bennett on [esther.bennett@lmc.org.uk](mailto:esther.bennett@lmc.org.uk) or on 020 3818 6222 / 07464 821256

## 2. LMC Buddy system

The LMC buddy system has been introduced to ensure that your voice is heard at LMC meetings and to enhance LMC communications with practices. Look out for information coming shortly on who your new LMC buddy will be.

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## *Passport applications – to sign or not to sign?*

Practices should note that a GP CANNOT sign a patient's passport application. (GPs can countersign passport applications for people they know well. Eg as good friends)

**Practice resources** are available at [www.GPSOE.org.uk](http://www.GPSOE.org.uk) to help you through this state of emergency

- Letter templates
- Guidance
- Posters

### 3. Staying healthy in today's NHS: masterclass

Reflective Practice Masterclass for GPs: from Mindfulness to Reflection

**Date:** Thursday 10 November 2016

**Time:** 12:30pm - 5:00pm

**Venue:** Tavistock House, Tavistock Sq, London WC1H 9LG

Facing challenges with excessive workload, system changes and expectations from patients and commissioners? Take advantage of this safe space to share concerns, identify needs and develop tools and techniques to move forward.

To book a place contact Marie Vassallo on [marie.vassallo@lmc.org.uk](mailto:marie.vassallo@lmc.org.uk)

### 4. Strategic issues and resources update

Current developments -

- Sustainability and Transformation Plans - Read the latest LLMC update on the London STPs [here](#)

Current strategic documents -

- [NWL Sustainability and Transformation Plan](#)
- [GP Forward View](#) - The General Practice Forward View, published by NHSE in April 2016, sets out a plan, to stabilise and transform general practice.

Resources -

[LLMC GP State of emergency and resilience resources](#) - including templates, resilience guides and posters.

[BMA Standard Hospital Contract Guidance](#) - templates to provide practices and LMCs with resources to hold both CCGs and hospital trusts to account to implement contractual changes. Includes templates which can be imported into Emis Web or SystmOne

### *Patients and Out of Hours dental issues*

The GMS contract does not include dental services, though a GP has a duty to determine whether a patient's problem is medical or dental. For Out of Hours services, Care UK should NOT charge practices for costs of out of hours dental consultations; these should be covered by the dental contract. Any instances of a particular dentist or group of dentists failing to provide a service to patients should be taken up with the local dentist association.

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The next meeting of Ealing, Hammersmith & Hounslow LMC takes place on **2 Nov 2016**

The next Hounslow LMC Liaison meeting with the CCG is on **8 November**

Hounslow LMC is a sub-committee of Ealing, Hammersmith & Hounslow LMC.

#### Hounslow LMC Team

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