

Hounslow LMC News Update

December 2015

Chair: Dr Varendar Winayak

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1. Collaborative working - important LMC briefing

Date: Wednesday 16 December
Time: 7 - 9 pm (Hot food from 7 pm)
Venue: to be confirmed

In response to requests from GP practices, the LMC invites you to an important briefing meeting for all Hounslow GPs and practices to consider the options for working collaboratively. This will include an objective presentation of the models available, the challenges and benefits they present, and an opportunity to ask questions.

We strongly advise that at least **one GP and/or practice manager per practice attends**. To secure a place please advise Marie Vassallo if you would like attend either by email (marie.vassallo@lmc.org.uk) or phone (020 3818 6257)

2. Update on current developments

PMS review

Londonwide LMCs has released a further update on the PMS review following the recent PMS briefing. Where level 2 co-commissioning exists, such as NWL, the review will be carried out jointly between the CCG and NHSEL. See the full PMS update [here](#). LLMCs will share any further information with you as soon as it becomes available.

Update on CWHHE Out of Hospital Services (OOHS)

LMC and Federation leads continue to engage with CWHHE CCG leads on outstanding issues with the OOH portfolio and contracting arrangements. The last meeting on 10 November discussed issues around the contract review process, templates and payment processes. LMCs and federations will also seek to address outstanding issues with the extended hours services and mental health service specifications.

Primary Care Co-Commissioning – local arrangements

NWL CCGs will be establishing local subcommittees to take forward co-commissioning at borough level. Londonwide LMCs is engaging with the NWL Joint Committees and borough based subcommittees to request that a GP advisor is present to provide expertise on GP contract and estates issues so that it is able to make safe decisions. A response has been sent to all NWL CCGs detailing LMCs concerns with the terms of reference for the local co-commissioning subcommittees.

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3. 111 referrals for opted in practices

The LMC has received reports that 111 are referring patients to Care UK for visits even when the patient's own practice is open out of hours. Opted in practices are advised to challenge any invoice received in such circumstances.

4. Violent Patients Service

The service is provided at the Heston Practice (Greenbrook), Cranford Lane, Heston, Middlesex TW5 9ER.

To refer, practices need to

- Send a letter to the patient informing them that they are removing them from their practice. (They should not at this point tell the patient they will be registered with Heston Practice (Greenbrook) – this information will be passed to the patient with details of how to access their services, along with the practice's contact number directly from NHSE).
- Fill in the [request for immediate removal form](#) and send it to the NHSE, along with the letter that they sent to the patient. NHSE will then allocate the patient to the practice and inform the patient.

5. Coroner's Office latest

LMC representatives from the West London area met senior officials from Hammersmith & Fulham Local Authority to raise concerns about the efficiency of the service being provided by the West London Coroner's Office. Londonwide LMCs have also made a complaint to the Chief Coroner.

H&F Local Authority would like to hear of any further incidents of poor service so they can follow them up. Please send them in the first instance to [Londonwide LMCs](#) who will forward them on.

Congratulations!

Long-standing LMC member, Dr Bashir Qureshi, was recently honoured by an award from the Royal College of General Practitioners for long service to the College. Dr Qureshi has been a GP in Hounslow since 1969. An impressive record!

Preparing for a CQC inspection - guidance

If you missed the recent LMC briefing on preparing for a CQC visit, you can catch up with the full presentation [HERE](#).

Also recommended as an excellent guide to assist your preparation is [Londonwide's CQC inspection guidance](#)

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The next meeting of Ealing, Hammersmith & Hounslow LMC takes place on **6 Jan 2016**

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