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Videoconference Meeting of the GP Subcommittee
on Monday, 17th May 2021 at 7.30pm

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Drs Ronnie Burns, Maureen Byrne, Mark Fawcett, Helen Fox, Sheena Fraser, Norrie Gaw, John Ip, Waseem Khan, John Kyle, Gillian Leslie, Christopher Mansbridge, Alan McDevitt, Chris McHugh, Hilary McNaughtan, Patricia Moultrie, Austin Nichol, Alex Potter, Dawn Rees, Mike Rennick, Paula Rogers, Samir Shukla, Jasmeet Singh, Mark Storey, Alastair Taylor, David Taylor, Graham Thompson, Raymund White

Chair

Dr Alan McDevitt CBE, Chair of the Committee

Attending

- Marco Florence, Secretary to the Committee
- Elaine McLaren, Administration Assistant for the Committee
- Lorna Kelly, Interim Director of Primary Care, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde
- Susanne Millar, Primary Care Lead for Chief Officers in Greater Glasgow and Clyde
- Dr Kerri Neylon, Deputy Medical Director for Primary Care, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde
- Dr Sean MacBride-Stewart, Pharmacy Services, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde

Apologies

- Drs Katie Adair, Michael Anderson, Rachael Bowman, Vicky Clark, Gayle Dunnet, Gordon Forrest, Parisa Ghanbari, Susan Langridge, Graeme Marshall, Steven Miller
- Dr Ron Alexander, Hospital Subcommittee Representative
- Members were reminded to declare any relevant conflicts of interest and to send their conflicts of interests forms to the Secretary.
- Elaine McLaren, Administration Assistant for the Committee, was welcomed as an observer.
- Dr Sean MacBride-Stewart, NHS GGC Pharmacy Services, was welcomed to the meeting.

Presentation

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1. Radar Alerts-Dr Seán MacBride-Stewart

A presentation was provided by Dr MacBride-Stewart on the RADAR Alerts system and members thereafter were provided with an opportunity to ask questions.

There was an acknowledgement of the potential for alert fatigue. It is a dashboard that can be reviewed when appropriate, although alerts can be turned on and off. It was to be checked if an individual doctor can do this or if it needs to be a practice level decision.

There was discussion from members about the extent of GP workload currently and concerns that the system will add to an already high workload situation.

The MDT model involving pharmacists and whether this would be more appropriate for them was raised. It was noted that GPs need to be involved in this to implement it.

The legal-medical status of the application is to be checked.

Work on data sharing is to be undertaken.

Alerts are not placed on a patient's health record.

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Dr MacBride-Stewart is to provide feedback on the issues raised before the committee provides a recommendation on the use of RADAR Alerts.

Notes/Reports from Meetings for Noting

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1. Changes to Medical List

This report was noted by the committee.

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1. Draft Minutes of the GP Subcommittee, 19th April 2021

The draft minutes were approved by the committee.

Matters Arising

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There were no matters arising.

Covid-19

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1. Community Pathway Update

Data on hub and CAC activity was shared with the committee. The Scottish Government is not proposing any changes to the community pathway but is seeking feedback.

It was outlined that the NHS24 pathway is to remain. The Scottish Government will not be providing instructions but vague principles.

Dr Kerri Neylon has undertaken analysis of attendances during a week in April. A lot of children are being seen in the CACs, with very few of them being Covid positive.

2. Covid-19 Vaccinations

The Covid Vaccination Population Group is meeting on 18th May 2021. Most practices have now finished the cohorts that were part of the DES.

NHS Recovery

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1. GP Subcommittee Leadership Engagements

The chair and medical directors are continuing to engage in a number of board-wide meetings. Upcoming meetings include the Primary Care Clinical Advisory Group, the GMS Operational Group, the Covid Vaccination Population Group. The medical directors and the secretary are speaking on a daily basis.

2. UCRH and Local Response Hub Implementation April 2021-Presentation from Susanne Millar

A presentation was provided by Susanne Millar on the Urgent Care Response Hub and Local Response Hub implementation. Members were also given an opportunity to ask questions.

This formed part of the response to Sir Lewis Ritchie's report. Services are co-located as much as possible. Local response hubs are being developed for the five HSCPs outwith Glasgow City. There is a desire for more crossover between services in hours and out of hours. It is iterative and will need to develop over time. An important aspect is the single point of contact.

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PCIP Implementation

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The GP Subcommittee's HSCP representatives are working on PCIP implementation and the development of PCIP4.

There is the first meeting of the strategic Primary Care Programme Board group this week.

The medical directors are to discuss pharmacotherapy.

Premises is proving a significant barrier to implementation.

Notes/Reports from Meetings

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1. Sexual Health Review Implementation Programme Board, 9th March 2021

This report was noted.

2. Primary Care Coordination Group, 19th April 2021

This report was noted.

3. Area Drug and Therapeutics Committee, 19th April 2021

This report was noted.

4. Pharmacotherapy and PMG meeting, 22nd April 2021

This report was noted.

5. MDT working group, 23rd April 2021

This report was noted.

6. Category 4 Ultrasound Requests, 13th May 2021-Oral Report

The committee was reminded that in October 2020, around 1500 category four ultrasound requests had been on the waiting list. The GP Subcommittee made clear that these should not be coming back to GPs for re-triaging. A letter is to go to patients confirming that they are still on the waiting list. It will outline that if their symptoms have worsened, they should contact their GP. If the scan has been done privately, it is important that there is a way for the patient to cancel the request directly with the service.

Documents Requiring a Response

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1. Area Amendment Request- Queens Park Medical Practice, 49286

It was outlined that comments from the executive had been sought by email and that the position being put to the executive was that the HSCP's proposed position on the application seemed reasonable. This is that the practice would remove G41 3; G42 7; & G42 9 from its practice area but that as the practice surgery is located in postcode area G42 8, this would be declined.

The committee was content with this position.

Action Point: Response needs sent to Primary Care Support.

10. GP Subcommittee Representation Required

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1. Practice Nurse Forum

There were no volunteers for this committee.

2. Non-Medicines Utilisation Sub-Committee of ADTC

There were no volunteers for this committee.

It was outlined that any members wishing to attend these meetings could receive guidance from the medical secretaries. These will remain on the agendas.

Concern was noted about the difference in paying for a locum and the meeting fee. It was confirmed that the meeting fee is set to rise to be in line with the BMA rate-£262.50.

Any Other Business

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There was no other business.

The next meeting of the GP Subcommittee will be on 21st June 2021.

The next meeting of the GP Subcommittee's Executive will be on 7th June 2021.