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Videoconference Meeting of the GP Subcommittee
on Monday, 20th September 2021 at 7.30pm

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Drs Katie Adair, Michael Anderson, Ronnie Burns, Maureen Byrne, Gayle Dunnet, Mark Fawcett, Helen Fox, Sheena Fraser, Norrie Gaw, Graeme Marshall, John Ip, Mohammad Waseem Khan, John Kyle, Susan Langridge, Christopher Mansbridge, Chris McHugh, Hilary McNaughtan, Steven Miller, Austin Nichol, Alex Potter, Michael Rennick, Samir Shukla, Jasmeet Singh, Mark Storey, Alastair Taylor, David Taylor and Graham Thompson.

Chair

Dr Maureen Byrne, Vice- 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
- Dr Kerri Neylon, Deputy Medical Director for Primary Care, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde OBE
- Susanne Millar, Chief Officer, Glasgow City HSCP

Apologies

Drs Rachael Bowman, Gordon Forrest, Parisa Ghanbari, Gillian Leslie, Alan McDevitt, Patricia Moultrie, Dawn Rees, Paula Rogers and Raymund White.

- Dr Ron Alexander, Hospital Subcommittee Representative
- Members were reminded to declare any relevant conflicts of interest.
- Members were advised that Dr Vicky Clark had resigned from the committee. Dr Clark joined the committee in 2014 and had served on the executive and as treasurer. The Vice-Chair thanked Dr Clark for her contribution to the committee.
- Members were welcomed back to the GP Subcommittee following the summer recess.

Notes/Reports from Meetings for Noting

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1. HIV Prevention, Treatment and Care Committee, 27th May 2021

This report was noted by the GP Subcommittee.

2. Area Drug and Therapeutics Committee, 9th August 2021

A query was raised regarding the changed to the wording in the usage of who should be prescribing antidiabetic medicines to allow primary care initiation of certain seg GLP-1 agonists.

Action Point: This will be checked with Dr Gordon Forrest

3. Public Protection Forum, 10th August 2021

This report was noted by the GP Subcommittee.

4. MAT SPMG, 16th August 2021

This report was noted by the GP Subcommittee.

5. GMS Premises Development Group, 18th August 2021

This report was noted by the GP Subcommittee.

6. Antimicrobials Utilisation subcommittee of ADTC, 19th August 2021

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This report was noted by the GP Subcommittee.

7. Changes to Medical List

This report was noted by the GP Subcommittee.

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1. Draft Minutes of the GP Subcommittee, 21st June 2021,

The draft minutes were approved by the GP Subcommittee.

2. Draft Minutes of the Executive of the GP Subcommittee, 6th September 2021

The draft minutes were noted by the GP Subcommittee.

Matters Arising

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There were no matters arising.

NHS Recovery

21/34

1. GP Workload Update

A discussion was had on current workload pressures in general practice. The workload has increased, as has the negative coverage in the press, regarding general practices. It was noted that practices are under acute strain. The abuse that is being suffered was also condemned. It was outlined that the board is supportive and that board colleagues are trying to challenge the negative press. Dr Kerri Neylon and Lorna Kelly were thanked for their efforts. A letter regarding data collection went out to practices on 20th September. Work is also underway to refresh the escalation plan.

The board is keen to hear of suggestions of what else it can do to tackle the negativity in the press. It was noted that secondary care is supportive of general practice and the board made clear that its view is that the whole system is under pressure.

The lengthy waiting times in secondary care are causing difficulties for general practice. It was suggested that back to referrer letters should be shared by secondary care with patients, so that patients know why the decision has been taken.

There is a need to ensure that the work happening in general practice is promoted.

Covid-19

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1. Community Pathway Update

A number of changes to the pathway have taken place since the GP Subcommittee last met. These are practices being asked to see 0-4 year olds face to face, where appropriate, the telephone hub overspill arrangements and the CACs being shut at weekends and earlier in the evening during the week. The demand on the pathway remains high. There continue to be challenges with staffing- both GPs and other staff. There is huge pressure on the out of hours service. If the CAC cannot see a

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patient, the practice should be asked about the next step, including waiting for out of hours or a referral to SATA. The timings of these calls will be looked at though.

Flu and Covid Vaccination Programme 2021

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An update was provided on the flu and Covid vaccination programme. The frontline staff vaccination programme booking link is due to go live on 21st September 2021. The staff programme will run over the course of the vaccination programme. A guide is being compiled for practices, so that they can answer patients' queries. Work is also being done to communicate information to the public and politicians.

PCIP Implementation

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The oversight and strategic PCPB groups have continued to meet. The PCIP representatives are meeting on 29th September 2021. The updated memorandum of understanding was issued at the end of July.

Any Other Business

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Members were advised that the executive minutes from July and August would be circulated.

Next Meeting of the GP Subcommittee-7.30pm, Monday, 18th October 2021

Next Meeting of the GP Subcommittee's Executive-7.30pm, Monday, 4th October 2021