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**GREATER GLASGOW & CLYDE AREA MEDICAL COMMITTEE**  
**General Practitioner Subcommittee**

MINUTES of the MEETING of the  
COMMITTEE held on 17th  
June 2019 in the Committee's  
offices at 40 New City Road,  
Glasgow G4 9JT

- SEDERUNT:** Drs Ronnie Burns, Maureen Byrne, Mark Fawcett, Andrew Fitchett, Gordon Forrest, Sheena Fraser, Norrie Gaw, Kayleigh Gray, John Ip, John Kyle, Susan Langridge, Alan McDevitt, Chris McHugh, Hilary McNaughtan, Christopher Mansbridge, Graeme Marshall, Paul Miller, Patricia Moultrie, Alex Potter, Mohammed Sharif, Samir Shukla, Jasmeet Singh, Mark Storey, Alastair Taylor and Blair Walker.
- CHAIR:** Dr Alan McDevitt CBE Chair of the Committee chaired the meeting.
- The GP Subcommittee congratulated Dr McDevitt on being awarded a Commander of the British Empire (CBE) in the Queen's Birthday Honours List for services to the NHS and General Practice in Scotland.
- APOLOGIES:** Apologies for absence were received from Drs Vicky Clark, Gayle Dunnet, Michael Haughney, Gillian Leslie, William Macphee, Kathryn McLachlan, Kerri Neylon, Steven Miller, Alan Petrie, Michael Rennick, Paula Rogers, Paul Ryan, David Taylor and Raymund White.
- Dr Ron Alexander, Hospital Subcommittee Representative.
- ATTENDING:** Mr David Leese Chief Officer (CO) Renfrewshire HSCP and Lead CO for Primary Care.
- Dr Olivia McSheaffrey, ST3 The Green Medical Practice (Observer)
- Mrs Mary Fingland, Secretary to the GP Subcommittee.
- MINUTES: 19/021** The GP Subcommittee received the Minutes of the meeting held on 20th May 2019.
- The Minutes of the 20th May 2019 were approved and signed by the Chair with one amendment to remove sentence on page 2, paragraph 4, line 8 "*A member noted...*"
- MATTERS ARISING:** (a) **Presentation Sandyford Services Review Implementation Dr Pauline McGough Clinical Director Sandyford Services; Rhoda Macleod Head of Adult Services, Jackie Kerr, Assistant Chief Officer Adult Services Glasgow City HSCP**  
19/022
- Sandyford Service failed to attend the meeting. The GP

Subcommittee was disappointed that the service had given no prior notice of non-attendance.

**(b) Sandyford- Board Chairman letter 24th May 2019**

Noted.

A member advised that their practice had a 100% increase in patients attending for Implanon fitting and removal. Members noted that Susanne Miller Interim Chief Officer Glasgow City is to meet with GP Subcommittee officers to discuss issues with the service.

**GP  
REPRESENTATION  
REQUIRED: 19/023**

**(a) GMS eHealth Steering Group – Cohort Formation IT System  
Procurement Tuesday 2nd July 10am to 12pm**

The GP Subcommittee briefly discussed the rationale behind cohort formation for GP IT System Procurement. Members noted that 3 systems suppliers were working to a national specification. Members heard the cohort would explore what requirements were needed not only nationally but locally to meet IT structures within NHS GGC and HSCPs.

The GP Subcommittee discussed how individual practice choice could be satisfied either through participation in a large cohort or via local cluster level. Members agreed ability for systems to migrate seamlessly and transfer data thereby reducing workload and administration would be advantageous.

**Action Point:** GP Subcommittee representatives Drs Sheena Fraser, John Kyle, Alex Potter and Alastair Taylor.

**NOTES AND  
REPORTS OF  
MEETINGS (FOR  
DISCUSSTION):  
19/024**

**(a) Report qFIT Project Implementation Meeting Wednesday 22nd  
May 2019**

Received.

Contaminated Labels

Members discussed how to resolve the issue of contaminated labels and suggested printing additional labels which could be placed in the bag with the sample. A member wondered if the issue might be the size of the testing kit and patients not following instructions correctly. The GP Subcommittee heard the service was considering audit work with selected clusters.

Back to Referrer – No qFIT

Members heard the service would like to know of 'back to referrer' letters as no qFIT was included. This should not be happening. Members were asked to send examples of these directly to Dr Jack Winter Gastroenterology.

**(b) Report GMS eHealth Steering Group Thursday 30th May 2019**

Received.

Online Appointments and Prescriptions

The GP Subcommittee noted provision of online services was a contractual obligation although the number of appointments offered was determined by individual practices.

**(c) Report Practice Nurse (PN) Forum meeting 15th May 2019  
Friday 10th May 2019**

Received.

PN Clusters

The GP Subcommittee discussed a proposal to set up “PN clusters”. Members heard the use of the term cluster may be confused with GP Clusters which are contractual and subject to national guidance and it was suggested that an alternative title be used. Members briefly discussed GP led Quality Improvement within GP Clusters and the need for PQLs to take learning from the GP Cluster back to involve the wider practice team including Practice Nurses. Members heard previous PN group meetings were supportive and educational and that this remained appropriate.

In the wider debate members highlighted the value of senior GP Nurses and the importance of not underestimating the role that they can play. A member noted growing unhappiness amongst the GP Nursing workforce with the perceived suggestion that the only future for Senior GP Nurses is to become ANPs. This is not attractive or desirable to all GP Nurses and members agreed that the role of senior GP Nurse should be promoted and emphasized by the Practice Nurse Development Support Team.

**(d) Report Sandyford Sexual Health Review Implementation Board  
Friday 10th May 2019**

Noted.

**(e) Report GRI Primary/Secondary Care Interface Group  
Wednesday 8th May 2019**

Noted.

**(f) Report Primary Care Skills Group Wednesday 12th June 2019**

Noted.

**(g) Report HIV Care Treatment Prevention Group Thursday 6th June 2019**

Received.

A member spoke of a recent HIV training event in the North which had been well received and useful.

GP Letter

Members discussed the GP letter sent out by the service the wording of which was disappointing and unhelpful.

**Action Point:** Write to service on behalf of GP Subcommittee.

Prescription and confidentiality

A member noted that the acute sector pushed for secondary care prescribed medications to be included in the GP record citing prescribing safety and allowing the pharmacist to be aware of contra-indications.

**(h) Report Primary Care Intelligence Group Thursday 6th June 2019**

Received.

Members noted cluster level intelligence reports (CLIRS) would be issued soon. It was hoped that GPs will find the information useful. Members heard CQLs and PQLs will be able to sense check the report and feedback to Public Health before anyone else has access to it.

Local Intelligence Support Teams (LIST)

Members agreed it would be useful to obtain more information on LIST activities and if other work is detrimental to its GP support role.

**(i) Report Substitute Prescribing Management Group Tuesday 21st May 2019**

Received.

Oral Replacement Therapy (ORT)

A member noted the increased figures for drug related deaths as of great concern and heard the service was unclear as to the causes although 60% of fatalities had methadone and buprenorphine in their systems.

GP CLUSTERS:19/025 Standing Agenda Item – No update.

GP CONTRACT  
IMPLEMENTATION:  
19/026

**(a) Primary Care Implementation Plans (PCIPs)**

The GP Subcommittee heard all PCIPs have been reviewed with none confidently predicting meeting the 20/21 implementation deadline. Members heard the GP Subcommittee and LMC Strategy was explained to other groups with most now understanding the stance taken as robust workforce and cost figures were needed.

Vaccination Transformation Project (VTP)

Members heard this had drifted away from the initial concept of local delivery but was hopefully coming back on track.

Community Treatment and Care (CTAC)

Members heard this had also drifted away from initial concept of local delivery but hopefully coming back on track.

Service Delivery

Members noted services were looking at flexible approaches to delivering services. A member commented that premises would be an issue and heard there were a number of issues being looked at nationally including premises.

Members discussed VTP call and recall and CTAC local delivery and how these would work. It was agreed that there seemed confusion around the working of these in particular and the continuing involvement of General Practice. Members noted discussions with the services were ongoing to find workable solutions for both CTAC and VTP delivery.

**Action Point:** Additional GP Subcommittee meeting on Monday 19th August to cover more fully issues around CTAC and VTP and other items of interest from PCIPs.

CHANGES TO THE  
MEDICAL LIST:  
19/027

**(a) Changes to the Medical List Inclusions, Resignations and Retirements**

Noted.

AOCB: 19/028

There was no further competent business.

DATE OF NEXT  
MEETING

The date of the next GP Subcommittee meeting is **Monday 16th September 2019.**

GP Subcommittee business was conferred to the Executive Committee for the summer recess.

The date of the next Executive meeting is Monday 1st July 2019.