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Videoconference Meeting of the GP Subcommittee
on Monday, 20th March 2023 at 7.30pm

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Drs Katie Adair, Michael Anderson, Ronnie Burns, Maureen Byrne, Gayle Dunnet, Mark Fawcett, Helen Fox, Sheena Fraser, Ewan Gray, Lynn Howie, John Ip, Waseem Khan, John Kyle, Susan Langridge, Gillian Leslie, Christopher Mansbridge, Graeme Marshall, Alan McDevitt CBE, Chris McHugh, Steven Miller, Graham Morrison, Patricia Moultrie, Austin Nichol, Dawn Rees, Samir Shukla, Jasmeet Singh, Mark Storey, David Taylor and Graham Thompson

Chair

Dr Maureen Byrne, Chair of the Committee

Attending

- Marco Florence, Secretary to the Committee
- Elaine McLaren, Administration Officer for the Committee
- Susanne Millar, Chief Officer, Glasgow City HSCP
- Dr Kerri Neylon OBE, Deputy Medical Director for Primary Care, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde

Apologies

- Drs Gordon Forrest, Norrie Gaw, Parisa Ghanbari, Sarah Johansen, Peter Livingstone, Scott Queen, Michael Rennick and Alastair Taylor
- Dr Ron Alexander, Hospital Subcommittee Representative

Members were reminded to declare any relevant conflicts of interest.

GP Subcommittee/LMC Membership

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1. The GP Subcommittee/LMC approved the co-option of Dr Brian Milmore in the South West Sector.
2. The GP Subcommittee/LMC noted the retirement of Dr Alan McDevitt from the end of March (West Sector).
 - Dr McDevitt was thanked for his thirty years' service on the GP Subcommittee/LMC, including as Medical Director, Vice-Chair, Chair, as well as his previous national role as Chair of SGPC.

Notes & Reports from Meetings for Noting

22/96

1. Heart MCN Executive, 3rd February 2023
2. Public Protection Forum, 9th February 2023
 - Items 22/96.1 and 2 were noted by the GP Subcommittee.
3. Prescribing Summit, 9th February 2023
 - A discussion was had on the overspend noted in the report.
 - This is due to the rising cost of drugs and the additional costs related to short supplies of common medicines.
 - Prescribing budgets lie with HSCPs. Potential of overspends impacting on budgets for clinical services.
4. Gender Identity Group, 10th February 2023

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- A discussion was had on this report. Comments included:
 - The increasing workload related to this area of medicine.
 - Many patients are utilising private providers for this healthcare, including a number of clinics not in Scotland.
 - The specialist service should be undertaking prescribing of specialist medication.
 - Difficulties with engagement with the Sandyford Service.
 - The GMC guidance on trans healthcare.
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5. Pharmacotherapy and PMG, 16th February 2023
 6. Area Medical Committee, 17th February 2023
 7. ADTC, 20th February 2023
 8. MAT SPMG, 21st February 2023
 9. AUC, 22nd February 2023
 10. GMS eHealth Steering group, 2nd March 2023
- Items 22/96.5-10 were noted by the GP Subcommittee

Minutes GP Subcommittee

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1. Draft Minutes of the GP Subcommittee, 20th February 2023
- The draft minutes were approved by the GP Subcommittee.
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2. Draft Minutes of the GP Subcommittee's Executive, 6th March 2023
- The draft minutes were noted by the GP Subcommittee.

Matters Arising

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- There were no matters arising.

Format of GP Subcommittee/LMC Meetings

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- The proposed schedule of in person and online meetings was approved by the GP Subcommittee/LMC.

GP Practice Workload & Sustainability

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- The latest GP Sit Rep details:
 - 163 practices are at level 1a
 - 58 practices are at level 1b
 - 7 practices are at level 2
 - 14 practices have closed lists.
- There are an increasing number of practices applying to amend their practice area, with the GP Subcommittee set to consider five applications in April. This will take the total to 2023 to ten. There were nine applications in 2022 and eight in 2021.
- This increasing number of applications is a sign of practices trying to manage their workloads and find a sustainable way forward.

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- The board outlined its commitment to supporting practices.
- Recruitment and retention difficulties were highlighted, including for administrative staff.
- The difficulties attracting salaried GPs to partnership and securing locum GPs were noted.
- The length of secondary care waiting times was noted as a concern, both for patients and for practices having to provide care whilst patients are on waiting lists.

PCIP

22/101

1. CTAC and Pharmacotherapy
 - It was noted that regulations are in place which mean that from 1st April 2023 pharmacotherapy and CTAC move to being the responsibility of boards.
2. Primary Care Programme Board Strategic Group, 23rd February 2023
 - This report was noted by the GP Subcommittee.
3. Type 2 Diabetes Cluster Quality Improvement
 - The comments made by the executive were noted by the GP Subcommittee.
 - Concern was expressed about any potential QoF style arrangement.
 - It was noted that clusters are autonomous and are able to decide the work that they take forward.

Sessional GPs

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- The GP Subcommittee/LMC Sessional GP Development and Information event will be held on 25th March 2023.

Changes to Medical List

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- This paper was noted by the GP Subcommittee.

Documents Requiring a Response

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1. Pharmacotherapy Strategic Implementation Group Guidance, Pharmacotherapy Roles and Responsibilities
 - The GP Subcommittee noted the comments outlined by the executive and advised that it was content for these views to be fed back.
 - **Action Point: Views to be fed back**
2. Adult Chronic Kidney Disease Diagnosis and Management Guidelines
 - There was discussion around lifestyle medicine approaches to chronic kidney disease.
 - The service's collaborative approach to getting the guidelines to this point was welcomed.
 - The GP Subcommittee concluded that it was content with the guidelines.
 - **Action Point: Feed back views.**

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GP Subcommittee Representation Required

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1. Area Medical Committee.
 2. Hospital Paediatric/Primary Care Interface Group
- Members were advised to contact the secretary if they are able to represent the GP Subcommittee at either of these groups.

Any Other Business

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- There was no other business.

- **Next Meeting of the GP Subcommittee-7.30pm, Monday, 17th April 2023**
- **Next Meeting of the GP Subcommittee's Executive-7.30pm, Monday, 3rd April 2023**