The Family Practice Western College Patient Participation Group

Resume of the meeting held 21.11.16

Present:

Keith Minty	Penny Dobson
Mark Rush	Catherine Eva
Jill White	Ian Goodenough
Georges Ware	
Jim Jarman	
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John Plumb	
Catherine Hutton	
Ann Light	

Apologies:

Ruth Baker	
Catherine Hutton	

1. Feedback from Federation PPG Meetings.

Jill White confirmed that she had met the Chairperson from each of the other groups and were starting a dialogue about how they could work together on joint issues and separately on practice specific issues. The lack of Chairperson for the Family Practices was noted as a potential barrier.

2. Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP)

KM explained that this was the plan which each CCG was required to produce to confirm how it could co-ordinate the work of Primary Care; Secondary Care and Social care to improve service provision and cut costs. The local plan has yet to be published.

3. One Care Consortium

Jill white explained the background to the establishment of the consortium using funds provide from the Prime Ministers Challenge Fund. This was to improve access to primary care and trial different ways of working both individually and as groups. The funding expires in March 2017.

From April 2017 a new limited company will be established to work with NHS England and Primary Care to undertake similar projects on a reduced scale.

4. Update on staffing

- Dr Kalfayan retires on 14.12.16
- Dr Boon goes onto maternity leave 30.11.16
- Dr Powell goes onto maternity leave on 10.1.17
- Dr Tan returns from Maternity leave 11.01.17
- Dr Ronan O'Connell is covering maternity leave for Dr Boon.
- Dr D Rodrigues is covering maternity leave for Dr Powell until June 2017.
- Nurse Practitioner Ruth Hastings will leave on 15.02.17
- Four new reception staff have been appointed.

5. <u>Update on premises</u>

NHS England has confirmed that there is no funding available for the extension in the form of capital or notional rent.

The practice is now looking at revamping the old Treatment Room to create individual spaces. An application has been made for an improvement grant. Architects are working on how we can create this space.

6. Update on Phones.

We have waiting for 3 additional lines to be installed. The GP's have deferred the cost a of new phone system.

7. Payment by "Weighted List"

KM advised that under the new payment regulations in the quarter ending 30.09.16 the practice list had grown by 200 patients but income had only been received for 78 patients under the new arrangements. This means a reduction in income of 9874.

The longer term implications of this trend could be very detrimental to the practice and we will continue to monitor this trend.

8. Election of Chairperson.

Dr Jill White was elected chairperson and it was agreed that members of the PPG would take minutes in the future.