**LPC Meeting – Wednesday 11th July 2018.**

14a High Street, Staple Hill, Bristol, BS16 5HP

9am – 5pm

Present: Lisa Fisher, Richard Brown, Tanzil Ahmed, Jerry Long, Sadik Al-Hassan, Stuart Moul, Matt Courtney-Smith, Ramesh Yadav. Judith Poulton

Apologies –. Alan Smith, Chris Howland-Harris, Morag McMeekin, Heather Blandford, Hilary Forbes, Roger Herbert.

Declarations of Interest – None

CCA nomination for report – Sadik

Amendments to Training Log – None.

Review of June Minutes & Action Points.

Discussion around the importance of attendance at LPC meetings.

Minutes agreed and will be posted on the website.

Richard has spoken to Philip about the price increase for rent and has agreed a 3 year period before the next review.

The awards section is nearly live and we already have our first nomination.

Discussion around the Oriel system for Pre-Registration pharmacists, Richard has taken down some points to raise at the Health Education England meeting next week.

Contract applications.

Applications reviewed.

Social Media Update – Emily Stone

Emily has been doing this role for 2 months. There is an hour on twitter on a Monday evening where pharmacy share best practise and share experiences.

The twitter followers have increased and include a wide range of different people.

The facebook uptake has increased at a lower rate, the posts are not being read by many people.

The weekly update has included the social media highlights, with links for people to follow.

Emily has trialled using the post “boost” to try and reach more people and this has had a positive outcome. This trial will carry on for another 7 weeks to raise the profile.

Discussion around possible future tweets – A possible poll to ask has the Oriel Pre-Registration system worked for them.

Treasurers report

Review of accounts for 2017-2018, as these have now been returned from the accountant. The accounts will be posted on the website, along with an update from Jerry, Lisa and Richard. The AGM will be held at the September LPC meeting, Richard and Debbie will arrange the voting forms to be sent out to pharmacies.

QPS Update

All independent pharmacies got through the gateway based on the results Jerry received. Jerry has worked very hard in getting the pharmacies through the QPS criteria.

Pump Priming Pharmacy Projects

Richard and Lisa met with RB pharmaceuticals to discuss PPI and the step down/step off process.

Richard attended the STP meeting to suggest community pharmacy could help manage this process, this was well received.

[Discussion recorded as part of closed minutes]

MUR & NMS different approach

Review of the areas current MUR/NMS figures.

In 2017/2018 Avon completed just under 60,000 MUR’s V’s a potential of 92,000.

In 2017/2018 Avon completed just over 16,000 NMS = 70.5 on average per contractor.

Discussion around how we can improve these services going forward.

The committee have agreed that the figures should be shared with the pharmacies to show the amount of money they are missing out on. Jerry will share the figures with the independents as the CCGs share theirs amongst themselves. Discussion around the amount of MUR’s that get done without recording it as an MUR.

Tanzil has suggested that Jerrys role should go back to providing more support with MUR/NMS. Jerry will send out a message to contractors to ask if anyone needs any help.

Richard has asked Sadik if he can speak to Health watch to see if Richard and Sadik can meet with a group of patients to see if they can get some feedback about what the patient got out of the MUR.

Strategic Plan

Review and update of the strategic plan.

Conference

Discussion around the plans in place for the conference, the next committee meeting is in September which is only one month before the conference. We need to begin promoting the conference and spreading the word.

This will be put in weekly updates for LPC from middle of July 2018.

Prescription Direction

Conversation around prescription direction concerning pharmacy and surgery.

If this is something which is of concern, speak to the relevant parties and try and sort locally. The next step would be to speak to NHS England and consider making a complaint with evidence. Avon LPC will support where possible. More information on LPC website.

Chief Officers Report

Richard’s report has been sent out prior to the meeting for the committee to read.

Conversation around prescribing habits in Bristol.

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None