

LDC/LHB Liaison Group 15th February 2012

The Chairman and Secretary represented the LDC at this meeting.

1. It was confirmed that all practices would need to have a Legionella risk Assessment.
2. Localities unsure when non-recurrent funding would become available.
3. Bridgend locality dentists still not able to refer patients to Cambria services in Swansea.
4. LDC requested CPD made available on care of children and vulnerable adults.
5. Out of Hours Rota to be extended to June 2012. Work being done on OOH service following earlier meeting between Localities and LDC representatives.
6. We were informed that WG funding for HepB immunisation had stopped.
7. No news as yet on whether Patient Charges were to remain the same for 2012/2013.
8. Contract Performance - Swansea – 74% on target (73% Ortho). QAS almost all completed –is HB able to withhold uplift if QAS not submitted.
9. Contract Performance - NPT – majority of practices on target – 2 have opted to reduce target.
10. Contract Performance - Bridgend – 66% practices on target.
11. LDC enquired when the minimum UDA value would be phased in. Catherine Roberts was unable to be at the meeting but she would be consulted and her response would be reported back to the LDC.
12. LDC enquired whether the grant for ICT was still available. There was some confusion whether this was the case – LDC to communicate directly with the DSD.
13. LDC enquired under what circumstances LDC delegates would be paid the agreed 11.5 UDAs for representing LDC on various groups informing and reporting to DSSPG. This needed revisiting.
14. Seniority payments in England have stopped for new applicants – this is not the case in Wales but there will be a minor change to the application process.
15. A number of suggestion were made regarding types of information to be put on the Dental Portal – further work needs to be done and the LDC will consult members and discuss at LDC meeting.
16. The Dental Leaflet had been modified following the successful consultation with LDC members and some further suggestions were made by the LDC for changes before publication.
17. Three practices, one from Bridgend and two from NPT had been invited to take part in a six month pilot for referral of high need patients to the DTU in Baglan. Guidelines were being drawn up in consultation with the relevant practice and LDC officials.
18. CEO of ABMU had instigated briefing sessions with selected staff, who would report back to their colleagues. It was suggested that these sessions might be difficult in relation to Independent Contractors, and that information might be better given to contractors through a newsletter.
19. Next meeting 18th April 2012.