

Morgannwg Local Dental Committee

***Minutes of LDC meeting held at the Holiday Inn Express, Llandarcy
on Tuesday 14th May, 2013.***

Members Present.

Rhian Paul in the chair, Roger Pratley, Rob Elliott, Lesley Hicks, Anwen Hopkins, Pam Norman, Tesni Metcalf, Helen John, David Jones, James Bater, Janet Megins, Gayathri Kini.

In Attendance.

David Davies Clinical Director and Specialist SCD, CDS

Apologies for Absence.

James Davies, John Anderson, Chris Wills-Wood, Bill Walters, Mark Harris, Allison Walker, Mike Spencer-Harty, Richard Jones, Steve Gould, Tom Bysouth, Mark Harris, Karl Bishop, Celia Topping, Barrie David.

13/31 Minutes of the Meeting held on 26th March, 2013 were accepted.

13/32 Matters Arising.

13/18 more guidance needed re new anticoagulant drugs, matter to be taken to Clinical Governance Group.

13/33 Correspondence.

This item to be removed from agenda as all correspondence is now emailed.

13/34 Secretary's Report.

Report had been emailed to all members previously.

13/35 Chair's Report.

Report had been emailed to all members previously.

13/36 Treasurer's Report and LDC Finance.

In the absence of the Treasurer the secretary reported account balances stood at:-

Current	£5289.92
Deposit	£4539.91

13/37 Delegates' Reports.

WGDPC

Report had been emailed to all members previously

1. Average UDA value in Wales had been reported previously as being so much lower than in England due to London weighting. On further investigation this was found not to be the case as highest value was found to be outside of London. This inequality between England and Wales needs to be looked at.

2. Local UDA values are to be taken to LDC/LHB Liaison Group meeting as there is a great deal of inequality
Swansea- all UDAs are above £21.00 with the mean being £22.83
Neath PT- there were 5 below £21.00 with the minimum being £18.53 the mean is £25.44.
Bridgend all UDAs above £21 with the mean being £25.44.

Across ABMU 53% of practices are below £22.50 with 3 in NPT being above £30

LDC/LHB Liaison Group Meeting

Report had been emailed to all members previously

DRS is still in operation, PHW had not taken over practice inspections.

13/38 National Oral Health Action Plan and CDO Address at BGM

Report had been emailed to all members previously.

1. Local oral health action plans will be dealt with by DSSPG, it will then be forwarded to LDC for discussion.
2. Patient's charges in Wales can't be increased as |The Minister will not agree to it.
3. Concern that Therapists will start to replace Associates in the dental practice was raised with CDO. He felt this was not the case.
4. There is a need for clarity regarding the dental budget including PCR going forward in Wales.

13/39 OOH and Access- update.

Report had been emailed previously to all members.

The new service model for Access is expected to function as follows:-

1. Patient with urgent dental need contacts NHSDW
2. HHSDW triage patient, if appropriate for urgent access session patient will be given unique identifier number
3. Patient then calls ABMU dental line and gives HHSDW identifier number and is advised of access slots available
4. Access line books the slot and takes all necessary contact information
5. Access line then contacts dental practice to advise them of patients booked in to slots
6. GDPs will provide HB feedback on attendance/non attendance rates

It was felt there needs to be some way of indemnifying the dentist against not hitting targets, as if an hour is put aside per day and no patients are referred this could lead to a large loss in UDAs over a period of time. Also the issue of bad debt, poor attending patients who are known to practices needs to be addressed with practice being told who the patients are before being given an appointment with them.

OOH service will not be altered until the in hours access sessions are up and running. The current rota will run until October 2013.

13/40 Election of Vice Chair and results of LDC Elections 2013-2015

Anwen Hopkins was voted as new Vice Chair, proposed by Janet Megins, seconded by Pam Norman.

Richard Jones is to resign from LDC with Huw Hopkins taking his place. It was felt a very good idea to have one of the pilot practices on the LDC. The Secretary to get in touch..

Two new members are needed to represent Bridgend on the LDC.

13/41 Discussion of possible workshop with David Davies - SCD

1. A review of Special Care Dentistry in Wales was carried out in 2010, emanating from the Task and Finish Group. A managed clinical network is to be developed across AMBU and Hywel Dda.
2. David Davies would like to know what SCD is being carried out within the GDS as he feels this should be recognised and remunerated accordingly. Examples of this could be domiciliary care, practices with special access facilities, conscious sedation, good patient skills etc. There is also no bariatric chair in this SW Wales the nearest is Cardiff which doesn't accept referral.
3. It was suggested a business plan could be built into the national oral health action plan and that referral pathways can be developed. Members to bring ideas, questions to next meeting to discuss and plan a way forward.

13/42 Restorative Services in Bridgend

The Secretary wrote to Alex Howells voicing the LDCs concern over the loss of a part time restorative consultant at POW Hospital. A reply had been received acknowledging the letter and confirming it was going to be discussed. Awaiting response.

13/42 LDC Website

This is felt to be a vital communication tool that isn't being properly and fully utilised. Rhian Paul to take over the running and further development of website. To update committee at next meeting.

13/44 Any Other Business.

1. Seniority payments are to cease in Wales at the end of the current contract. England are looking to replace with another payment.
2. Practice are reporting difficulty in accessing TB vaccinations for staff now this has become a GDC registration requirement.
3. A new referral form was now in use for Parkway referrals, very similar to previous only no separate risk form to be signed. There will be a laminate explaining risks in the surgery to read and they then sign referral form.
4. The tender for GA paediatric dentistry has to be in place by June. There are two interests one of whom is Parkway. This contract is due to start in October 2013.

13/45 Date and Time of next meeting.

Tuesday 14th May 2013 at 7pm at the Holiday Inn Express, Llandarcy.