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Minutes of the LDC Meeting held on Tuesday 19th November, 2019 at the Holiday Inn Express, Llandarcy.

Members Present.

Allison Walker in the chair, James Davies, Steve Gould, Simon Bond, Helen John, Sid Gupta, Huw Hopkins, Steve Marsh, Liz Samways, Rhian Jones.

In Attendance.

Roger Pratley, Pam Norman, Mark Harris, Chris Wills-Wood, Phil and Sian Majoe, Anwen Hopkins, Steve Key, Samantha Edwards.

Apologies for Absence.

Mustafa Mukhaiber, Richard Woods, Chris Woods, Paul Fraser, James Bater, Anne Walker, Tesni Metcalf, Rachel Coles, Lesley Hotson-Hicks, Tom Bysouth.

19/66 Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 24th September, 2019.

Minutes of the meeting were accepted as a true and correct record.

19/67 Matters Arising.

19/59 9. This had now been resolved and normal service had resumed

19/68 Secretary's Report.

To be discussed under relevant agenda items.

19/69 Chair's Report.

Oral Medicine

- 1. Photographs for referral purposes it is advised a patient to sign consent form prior to being photographed. GDPs advised not to use Smart phones to take photographs due to GDPR and cloud storage. The importance of photographs was emphasised since it makes the triaging of patients more effective and simpler. The LDC will continue to seek financial support for purchase of IO cameras, and some compensation for those practices that already have IO cameras
- 2. Rhian Jones had recently been appointed as the Chair of group.
- 3. Oral Medicine/Surgery hoping to set up a newsletter.

It was further reported that the Oral Medicine SLA commenced on 1st November but there was some concern about the numbers having been underestimated.

Orthodontics

- 1. Concern raised as to how the new oral surgery / Parkway pathway will impact on orthodontic services in the area.
- 2. There is talk of removing legacy waiting lists from non specialist practices.

GDC Fitness to Practice presentation.

- 1. There was now felt to be a softer approach to investigations, with 30% of complaints found to be not founded. GDP's would not even be made aware of these complaints.
- 2. It is advised Mentors should let their indemnity company know they are taking on this role.

Aspiration Training.

A Cardiff based dental nurse training provider had been investigated and as a result a number of qualified dental nurses have had their qualifications invalidated. This had resulted in a huge impact on the dental workforce with so far over 50 nurses involved and the numbers still rising. GDC had given guidance these nurses affected be able to work in the surgery as trainees until their qualification was re-established.

BDA had suggested Welsh Government withdraw any funding to Aspiration Training.

Never Events/LOCSIP

All DF training practices have to have a LOCSIP in place, this will be checked during practice visits although this is not the case for non-DF practices.

DF Training

Next year's DF trainees were not to be employed by the practice but would be paid a salary direct from Shared Services. Therefore, the money would no longer be added to the practice contract/schedule for payment.

19/70 Treasurer's Report and LDC Finance.

The balances now stand at:- Current account £380.93
Deposit account £27814.89

LDC Insurance premium had been paid. It was also suggested that a donation should be paid to the BDA Benevolent Fund, which was agreed.

19/71 Delegates' Reports.

GDPC Report October 2019

Report had been emailed to all members previously - accepted

WGDPC

- 1. CDO pleased with data being collected around e referrals.
- 2. Periodontal treatment in Wales being looked at, uniform treatments to be set up across Wales
- 3. Lisa Howells (DCDO WG) to retire December 2019, two people will fill the part time posts.

4. Contract Reform – delay on new FP17 (Wales)

19/72 Parkway Clinic Update

A document, prepared by the secretary with an addendum by the interim head of Primary Care had been emailed to all members previously. It was a report of discussions that had taken place at the Oral Health, Quality and Patient Experience Group meeting of the 24th October and considerable discussion took place around this. It proposed that all Paediatric dental GAs should be performed in Morriston Hospital from 1st April 2020. Concerns had been raised by the LDC and we were informed that the Primary Care Team have been tasked with putting a system in place that will ensure that patients who require anaesthetic will not be disadvantaged in that similar systems to the existing system will be available to referring GDPs and urgent referrals will be dealt with appropriately. The Primary Care Team is currently in discussions with relevant stakeholders (not including the LDC) and once they have a solution, or a number of solutions, we were informed that these will be widely consulted on and were told that a paper would be given to us prior to the Liaison meeting of 22nd November so that it can be discussed there.

The Secretary asked for any responses to the HB preferred delivery of Paediatric GA's at Morriston to be emailed to him.

Waiting time for Orthodontic procedures under the proposed new system was a concern. Similarly, it is understood that there is a current shortage of anaesthetists at Morriston Hospital. Members also raised the issues of perceived safety at Parkway, since it has operated for 22 years without incident. Questions were also raised as to whether the current excellent service could be mirrored at another site, and about the quality of the RMC and whether the triaging protocols were appropriate.

The chair and secretary to carry forward to LDC/LHB Liaison meeting on 22nd November.

It was agreed that no complaint should be taken to the Chair of SBUHB immediately and that this decision should be deferred until the next LDC meeting

19/73 Advice on Transmitting and Storing Photographic Images for Referral.

Advice documents had been emailed with the LDC papers for information.

19/74 Discussion on UDA uplift of £25 and DDRB uplift.

Concern was raised at the proposed clawback of the 18/19 supposed over payment and that the uplift was not applied to include superannuation payments. There were 16 practices affected with five of them having reached £25 with DDRB uplift.

It was also discussed contract reform practices who receive £25 per UDA had not received the 2.5% DDRB uplift.

To be taken to LDC/LHB Liaison meeting 22nd November.

19/75 Update on Current Ongoing Issues

Discussed under other agenda items

19/76 Wrong Tooth Extractions – Further Information

- 1. LOCSIP has to be in place in DF practices although not the case in non-training practices. It was felt to be best practice to have one in place.
- 2. No update on document being devised by DTU and CDS as yet.

19/77 LDC Meeting Dates for 2020

Proposed meeting dates for 2020 had been circulated with LDC documents. Dates accepted.

19/78 Any Other Business

LDC Officials day to be held on 29th November 2019. No proposal to send a delegate this year.

19/79 Date and Time of Next Meeting.

Tuesday, 21st, January, 2020 at the Holiday Inn Express Llandarcy at 1900.

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