

***Minutes of the LDC Meeting held on Tuesday 21st January, 2020 at
the Holiday Inn Express, Llandarcy.***

Members Present.

Allison Walker in the chair, James Davies, Simon Bond, Sid Gupta, Liz Samways, Rhian Jones, Chris Woods, Paul Fraser, Rachel Coles, Steve Gould, Mustafar Mukhaiber, Anne Walker, Richard Woods, Ewart Johnstone, Tesni Metcalf, Lesley Hotson-Hicks.

In Attendance.

Roger Pratley, Pam Norman, Mark Harris, Chris Wills-Wood, Phil and Sian Majoe, Samantha Edwards, Carla Queiros.

Apologies for Absence.

Huw Hopkins, James Bater, Steve Key, Steve Marsh, Helen John, Anwen Hopkins, Rob Elliott.

Sam Page, Interim Head of Primary Care, Primary and Community Services Delivery Unit SBUHB attended the meeting to give a short introduction about herself, her aims whilst carrying out her role and her intention to communicate with and maintain communication with the LDC and dentists in the area.

Sam was unable to give an update on the transfer of GA Paediatric services from the Parkway Clinic to Morriston Hospital since the HB was still working through the details in order to inform Parkway and respond to the LDC submission.

20/01 Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 19th November, 2019.

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

20/02 Matters Arising.

19/74 contract reform practices would now receive the 2.5% DDRB uplift.

19/69 there was small numbers being referred with all biopsies going into HDS; it was felt these could be dealt with in Primary care. There was to be an audit of 18/19 – 19/20 biopsies carried out in specialist practice.

Due to the small numbers being referred it was thought this service was not fit for purpose and a review was to be carried out 31st January 2020.

20/03 Secretary's Report.

To be discussed under relevant agenda items.

Following on from an email sent to all DF training practices on Friday 17th January, Richard Herbert was unavailable to attend this evening to discuss. The Secretary gave the following verbal report regarding DF training 20/21:

There were to be 67 DFT in Wales in 20/21, 65 GDS and 2 will go into CDS. This was a reduction of 7 places, in practices that had previously had 2 trainers only one would now be accepted although there were only four of these practices in Wales.

WG have confirmed that HEIW can develop proposals to utilise the unallocated DF funds to create new GDS based DCT1 placements for 20/21.

20/04 Chair's Report.

To be discussed under relevant agenda items.

20/05 Treasurer's Report and LDC Finance.

The balances now stand at:-	Current account	£446.11
	Deposit account	£29,060.97

LDC Insurance premium had now been paid.

A donation was to be made to the BDA Benevolent Fund of £3,000; this was in line with last year's donation.

20/06 Delegates' Reports.

There were no delegates reports.

20/07 Update on transfer of Paediatric GA Services to Morriston Hospital

- The Unit Dental Director had said in November 2019 that Paediatric Services in Parkway were to stop in April 2020. Parkway have asked for notice from January 1st 2020 (SLA specifies three months' notice) so that they can plan going forward but they have received no response.
- A meeting was to be held this Friday 24th January.
- Concerns had been raised by LDC, Paediatric Anaesthetist, Max Fax etc. nobody had received any response to points raised.
- Parkway will not walk away until they have it confirmed they aren't wanted in Morriston.
- The number of children attending A&E with dental pain since the service was reduced had increased three-fold
- The Parkway walk around at Morriston had confirmed this was not going to be a like for like service.
- LDC agreed no complaint to be made as yet until a response to their submission to the HB had been received.

20/08 Sepsis.

- Sepsis had now become the tenth medical emergency and has been added to CPR/Medical emergency training.
- DF practice inspections now required a thermometer to be included in emergency kit and temperatures of patients to be recorded in the notes of patients.
- All staff to be made aware of the signs and symptoms of Sepsis

- There had been an instance of a pregnant woman being sent to ICU due to a dental abscess.
- Sepsis was on the increase although this was felt to be down to the fact it was now being reported far more efficiently.
- To be added to agenda for Liaison Group meeting, for guidance to be requested from LHB for practices.

20/09 COMPASS

- A GDP had reported an issue around superannuation reconciliation between them and an associate. An Associate had changed their NPE after it had been agreed and submitted (this can be done for up to 10 years after) HB can take money from a schedule with no warning or agreement with the provider if an associate had moved on.
- The best course of action was to contact Martin Turner in Dental Payments for advice.

20/10 Update on Progress of GDP Fellowship

- In September 2018 a three-year fellowship was awarded to a DF, the purpose was to retain upskill and reduce waiting lists. The LDC had requested some feedback on his progress, a meeting was held on 17th January 2020.
- It was felt to be progressing well; there was a lot of audit work being done which was proving to be worthwhile and enjoyable. There had been a few problems with the use of IT as he was not an employee of the HB and therefore had issues around a computer log-in.
- The LDC has questioned plans for the future as this was originally going to be a rolling programme and there would be three Fellows in place by 2020. There was currently only one post as Karl Bishop was not in attendance at the meeting there was nobody able to answer this question. It was felt that if it were possible to appoint another GDP Fellowship candidate then planning should start sooner rather than later.
- Will be raised at the next LDC/LHB Liaison Group.

20/11 Update on Current Ongoing Issues

Discussed under other relevant agenda items

20/12 Any Other Business

- There was some confusion around Radiation Files held in practices. RPS in practices needed further training to fulfil the role; Sue Stokes is currently working on a training programme.
- It was felt full day IRMER would cover this.
- Jeremy Knox was retiring as Orthodontic Consultant, as yet a replacement had not been found. To take to MCN meeting to be held in February.
- BSA was questioning business rate reclaims, randomly contacting GDPs to clarify % of NHS/Private work carried out. It was felt this should be based around sessions not income as figures would be skewed.

20/13 Date and Time of Next Meeting.

Tuesday, 10th March, 2020 at the Holiday Inn Express Llandarcy at 1900.