

**MINUTES OF THE OPEN MEETING OF  
BRACKNELL FOREST REFERENCE COMMITTEE  
HELD ON MONDAY 28 JUNE 2004  
AT 2PM**

**PRESENT:** Drs Murray, Kade, Crampton, Henman, Halliwell & Arora  
Jane Solomon  
Anne Owen, Jenny Barlow, Dr Kassianos, David Taylor, Salim  
Siddiqi & Victoria Goodman

**APOLOGIES:** Dr Greig  
Diane Hedges, Joy Blight

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**ACTION**

**BF 1/6/04 Minutes of April Meeting**

The minutes of the April meeting were approved.

**Matters Arising**

PGEA – IM advised the PCT that he understood that PGEA should be paid until 2004.

Superannuation – It is in practices interest that there is some proof that onward transactions have been made.

Seniority – Difficulty in interpreting seniority if income is less than 2/3 of national income and that the TVPCA is authorising making seniority payments.

**Action Point:** *JS to send details to D?*

QOF – IM said that the Committee had heard that they were not going to get all their achievement money and that only 150 points would be paid. AO said PCTs would have to take the risk, she said they recognised this as a cost pressure.

Underspend – The PCT underspent by £9.5 Million last year, this had been as a result of the sale of buildings, the actual underspend was £250,000.

**OOHs**

AC said there were two questions;

1. How certain were the PCT about 1<sup>st</sup> October date?
2. Many GPs are concerned about workload on Friday and Monday surgeries and the difficulties in achieving 24/48 hour targets.

AO said they are confident of the 1<sup>st</sup> October start date and that she appreciated the concerns but stated there is no evidence as yet of increased activity.

**JS**

### **Protected Learning Time**

CK said it as about quality and ongoing training and in the past it had not come out of the PGEA funding. AO said the PCT recognised that it was worthwhile, but they had no money to fund it.

### **PCT Agenda Items**

**Medicine Management Collaborative** – Victoria Goodman presented the paper. RH said data collection was onerous. CK said it was a beneficial project and good things were coming out of it.

### **Basket of Services**

Drug misuse - needs clarification

Learning Disabilities - CK said that there was insufficient funding for the workload. AC said there was also an issue of the lack of protocols and that she was happy to respond to the PCT Chief Executive about the mental health problem on a one off basis but any more requests for information should be a GPwSIs service.

Primary mental Care Service – JS said the LMC would agree to this service for this year with the proviso that it would not set a precedent.

Enhanced Diabetic Care – CK said that this was under priced because secondary care work was converting to primary care and the funding was low at £150.

Prescribing Incentive Scheme – IM expressed a difficulty in seeing this as an enhanced service.

Nurse with a special interest in the care of older people

**Referral Hub** – RH said some problems had been highlighted by other practices. He said there had been no consultation with GPs or practices.

### **Open but Full Lists**

*Action Point: JS to liaise with AO to agree a joint letter.*

**ISTC** – The treatment centre will not be going ahead.

**Agenda for Change in Practices** – Most practices understood the agenda for change but with the change of funding in the new contract means that payroll is still for negotiation within the practice.

**Medical Cards** – The TVPCA have written to practices saying they will no longer send out medical cards unless specifically requested. There are two difficulties, firstly practices are receiving requests to tell them their new number and also there is a difficulty if they need

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path results where they require a new NHS number.

**Declaration of Interest by the GP members during PEC meetings**

Whenever anything is discussed on the PEC for which they have an interest, they have to declare them and they do not get a vote.

**Any Other Business**

Phlebotomy – CK said practices have required phlebotomy on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The service was not being allocated properly. INR and CDM should also be taken into account, the whole system needs re-appraising.

**Date of Next Meeting**

*NB Tuesday , 14 September 2004 at 1pm at Easthampstead Church*