

**MINUTES OF THE OPEN MEETING OF
MILTON KEYNES REFERENCE COMMITTEE
HELD ON FRIDAY 7 MAY 2004
AT MILTON KEYNES POST GRAD CENTRE
AT 2PM**

PRESENT: Drs Alifoe, Carter, Rao & Suleman
Jane Solomon
Rebecca Green

APOLOGIES: Drs Rose, Kenny & Labrum
Dr Christopher Tiarks
Barbara Kennedy, Jeanie Ablett & Dr Murthy

ACTION

MK 1/5/04 Minutes of March Meeting

The minutes of the March meeting were accepted.

Matters Arising

None.

nGMS Contract

RG said that one Practice is still questioning their global sum and she will be visiting them in the near future. She said settling queries about vacancies had been a major problem.

A locum reimbursement policy was also required. High Wycombe had already provided a locum reimbursement policy and this had been shared across the other Buckinghamshire PCTs.

Data Collection – The PCT is to produce a data set which is required and they are negotiating with Steve Benjamin to see what they can collect.

Patient Allocation policy is still awaited from Steve Benjamin.

Premises – RG said there is a possible problem with the funding of new premises.

QOF – Visits were being arranged and the PCT were looking for GPs to become assessors. RC said there was some software from Astra Zeneca called “Aspire” which could work out practices prevalence.

LIS – RG referred to the services not included in the nGMS and said the PCTs were working on specs for these services.

Guidance for PMS was received about amending PMS contracts to get them the same as GMS contracts. RG said there was an exceptional changes fund which used to relate to PMS Practices only and the PCT needed to have a policy on this. JS pointed out the problems Practices area having with cash flow and the inability to reconcile their income with the paperwork they had received initially. RG asked if the LMC could include the PCT in any correspondence with Practices.

Any Other Business

RG gave her apologies for the next meeting.

Date of Next Meeting

Friday, 9 July at 2 pm at
Room 2, Post Grad Centre