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Minutes of Oxford City LRC Meeting

Thursday, 2nd June 2005

Institute of Health & Science, Conference Room OX3 7LG

At 1.00

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Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of 5th May agreed as a correct record of the meeting

04/05 ES Spreadsheet

Recent email exchange between Catherine Mountford and PHR over whether LMC had agreed contentious inclusions within ESF early in 2004

PHR has seen no evidence justifying PCT view

To say that the LMC have received the Board papers so have agreed them is a nonsense.

Follow up discussion is required to obtain LMC sanction and this did not take place.

PR had accepted the PCT's word that there had been an agreement but wanted evidence and nothing justifying this statement has been forthcoming.

Members felt the PCT have procrastinated and avoided discussing the real issues of conformity with Implementation Guidance

The contentious areas are:

1. Luther Street enhanced elements to service
2. Enhanced Sexual Health and Family Planning

How have the PCT arrived at the figure of £138K for Luther Street and £157 for Sexual Health and Family Planning?

PCT have not commissioned ES for homeless or alcohol from any practice.
Unless there is a specific ES contract these services form part of their Core PMS Contract.
No separate drug misuse contract exists with Luther St
No price for this Luther Street activity exists.

The total cost of Luther Street is £600K for approximately 400 patients.
The LMC need to see the original terms of the PMS agreement between the Practice and the PCT.
In the PCT 6 month spread sheet tabled at the meeting there is no itemized spend: just a block figure.

LMC could dispute these inclusions
The PCT would then be obliged to inform the SHA about the dispute and pass issue to the Implementation Co-Ordination Group in London.

OOH Call Handling

Most practices have managed without using Border.
To find out about the 'Smart Divert,' type the words into Google it will give you the BT page.
It was agreed to pass this on to practices.

GP Forum

3 responses have been received. No consensus in timing discernable
Members wondered whether it could be included in the Wednesday CME schedule
PR could possibly give a talk to the group entitled 'Expanding the Role of the GP'.

05/06 Floor Proposals Spreadsheet

There are some new LES to be included in this, eg the case management LES
Latter was felt to be a reasonable way to try and reduce frequent flyers.
The Neonatal Check price was felt to be too low at £20.
The list of ES Contracts are same as last year with an uplift of 3.225%.
Practices have received a tick box list of ES to sign up to
The LMC have not received a copy of this.
Members felt Practices should receive the entire package of ES contracts for 2005/06
The prices need to be recalculated, the read codes need to be advised and there are new LES since last April.
PR suggested that the specifications could be placed on the PCT website for practices to access.
It was agreed to ask the PCT for clarification of what has been sent to practices.
The Website seems to be orientated towards the patient.
There should be an area for GPs to access.
Members concerned about lack of information about Musculoskeletal LES

Every practice has been told that the referrals will be triaged by the Hub and GPs will receive feedback if the referral is inappropriate.

LRC and nGMS & Liaison Duplication

At the last meeting the PCT said that nGMS Steering Group was vehicle for discussion with the LMC.

Members felt the PCT minutes never record any LMC dissent and seem to record a version of events favourable to PCT

The LRC members said that the new Liaison Meeting was an opportunity for City GPs to put their views as equals and on all issues affecting GPs not just nGMS.

Past LRC meetings were held in the evenings and seemed better attended

PR did not feel it was appropriate for GPs to work in the evening.

Date of Next LRC Meeting

Thursday 29th September 2005. 12-1pm

Present	Name
	Benson Catharine
*	Budden Maggie
	Hornby Christopher
*	Merriman Honor
	Rand Bettina
*	Roblin Paul
	Solomon Jane
*	Birchall Carol