

**MINUTES OF THE OPEN MEETING OF
READING LOCAL REFERENCE COMMITTEE
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 17 NOVEMBER 2004
ROOM G30, READING PCT**

PRESENT: Drs Latchford, Bindra, Naran, Mittal & Moneim
Dr Paul H Roblin & Jane Solomon
Maureen McCartney, Helen Waddams & Audrey Ward

APOLOGIES: Dr Denny
Janet Fitzgerald & Dr Peter Johnson

ACTION

RDG 1/11/04 Minutes of the September Meeting

The Minutes of the Meeting held in September were approved.

Matters Arising

Psychiatric referrals.

Action Point: HW said she would chase Rod Smith on this.

PCT

Update on nPMS

RM updated the meeting on the PMS Lockhart contract. PHR said that keeping the LMC clause in the contract was useful. AW said she wanted to include the capitation figures for the 1st October. HW said it would be useful to know who the LMC were representing.

Westcall Issues/Feedback

RM said there was difficulty over cover for TIPPS days. HW said the PCT would ask Westcall if they could cover. It was agreed that Practices should put a message on their answer machines to divert urgent calls to Westcall.

Action Point: The PCT agreed to take this issue back to Westcall for discussion.

PCT

RM said that the feedback sheets were late and GPs were having to see patients without information.

Action Point: PCT to take this up with Westcall

PCT

Practice based Commissioning

MM said that guidance was still awaited; she said that each PCT would have to approve a lead. AW said she needed clarification on what "indicative budgets" mean.

Enhanced Services Floor Update

PHR said the spreadsheet he received was significantly different from the last one received by the LMC. This included both pricing and new services.

AW said she needed to check her email distribution and apologised if they had not reached PHR.

PHR questioned the way in which enhanced services was discussed and why it had not been in the agenda of the enhanced services committee.

Prison Services – AW said the PCT had listened to the LMC guidance of this and reduced the amount spent. She said that the PCT was paying part of a specialist GP payment for mental health services. PHR said this should not be included in the enhanced services because prisoners were not registered patients.

PCT

Action Point: *AW to send PHR appropriate documentation.*

EMI Home

RM discussed the service to Riverview. AW said discussions were underway with the home and 7 Practices and an enhanced service would be constructed next year. MM reported that a meeting had taken place and another one was arranged for next week. Riverview had agreed to spread the cost of the old contract between the Practices who look after it.

Shared Care Drug Abuse LES

PHR said he had looked at the proposal on this. RM said GPs needed the support of Thames House to do this. NL said that Thames House were reducing their services. PHR said there was little clarity in the documentation and it needed amending. MM said there needed to be a revised version and she would feed the LMC comments back.

PCT

Action Point: *MM*

Any Other Business

Committees – PHR said there were many more committees in this PCT than others. MM said the PCT were reviewing this.

Child protection Reports and Attendance & Case Conferences – GPC have produced guidance and the PCTs should pay GPs to attend these meetings.

LMC

Action Point: *AW asked PHR to set down what he thought should be paid.*

MMR – Payment for the “catch up” on the MMR vaccination.

Extra Pension Payment – The PEC received papers but could not make a decision. The plan is for PEC GPs and PHR to meet and make another proposal

CAMs Issue – RM said if referrals are refused then this should be recorded as a clinical incident.

Dermatologist – Referral back from dermatology, a letter was tabled by RM.

Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday, 19 January 2005, 2pm, Seminar Room, Duchess of Kent House.