



Kent Local Medical Committee

Supporting list based personalised care, the partnership model and meaningful collaboration

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Making Connections in Medway CCG March 2019

Drs Julian Spinks, Naveen Rishi and Kavita Pancholi joined Dr John Allingham at the recent LMC/Medway CCG liaison meeting. Tracy Rouse and Nikki Teasdale attended on behalf of the CCG.

The meeting followed a presentation by Dulwich Medical Centres Dr Gupta of the new dermatology service. The discussion centred around how the service will issue Med3s and prescribe in accordance with the national contract.

Mental Health Services.

The difficulties remain but the LMC is meeting with KMPT and progress is being made.

North Kent Pathology Services

This is improving but there are still ongoing issues including sending results to the wrong doctor that have not been resolved. A solution is promised by June. Nikki Teasdale agreed to take this forward.

Review of Arrangements

It was agreed that the LMC should seek to organise joint liaison with Swale and Medway CCGs together and that a joint CCG/MFT/Liaison meeting should be a regular event. LMC will seek Swale involvement in this.

NHS Long Term Plan

This has largely been superseded by the new contract. How the CCGs/ICS and ICP are expected to work was discussed.

Primary Care Networks (PCNs)

This meeting followed a discussion at which this was discussed. The CCG are keen on the utilisation of health living centres within the new arrangements. Backfill for PCN development has been provided by the CCG. The STP are pushing for the federations to provide information on PCN development. The LMC advice is that this is not a requirement.

Primary Care Budgets

The CCG reported that the inherited underspend from NHSE prior to delegated co-commissioning has reduced. The Care home scheme, contingency funding for potential practice failures and the PCN development funding are examples of how the CCG has invested in General Practice.

The issue of the continued funding of extended hours for the first quarter of the financial year until it passes into the network contracts was discussed.

Tracy Rouse expects the CCG to continue to fund this pending technical guidance.

GP Federation Update

Julian Spinks provided an update. He highlighted progress made by the Swale Federation and the need to get the Federations together. LMC noted the failure of previous meetings across the 'left hand side' of Kent but will take this forward.

Date of Next Meeting:

Wednesday 22nd May 2019

Dr John Allingham
Medical Secretary