

## Kent Local Medical Committee

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

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### Darent Valley Hospital Trust/Kent LMC Interface Meeting August 2016

Drs A Kumar, D Lawrence & J Allingham attended the recent DVH/LMC interface meeting. Miss Annette Schreiner, Medical Director, and Gemma Knights, Marketing Manager, Strategy & Planning, attended on behalf of DVH.

#### Accident and Emergency Update

The LMC reported little progress. Discharge summaries/letters still lack useful information. Annette Schreiner agreed to pass this on again.

# Medicines on Discharge or initiated in OPD

This seems to be a communication issue again. The CCG has clear policies. Annette Schreiner agreed to remind clinicians.

#### Pain Clinic Referrals

This was discussed in the context of speciality to speciality referrals. It appears to the CCG policy to require patients to be redirected to GPs. The national guidance via the GP Forward View and the National contract were discussed and should be incorporated in future contracts.

#### **Responsibility for Test Results**

It is clear under Good Medical Practice reiterated in the August 15 Joint GPC and Consultants Committee Statement that the duty to follow up and inform the patient lies with the doctor who ordered the test.

#### Consultant to Consultant referrals

The CCG has determined only where life or limb are threatened or where there is suspicion of a malignant process can a consultant to consultant referral be made.

#### **GP Access to Non-Obstetric Ultrasound**

This service is now under an AQP contract that DVH did not bid for and thus there is no access to Ultrasound for GPs at DVH. This will cause interface issues where investigations do not occur at DVH but the patient ends up being seen there.

#### Mortality Review Group

Annette Schreiner used this as an opportunity to promote the mortality review group. The LMC ageed to look into helping gain GP representation.

#### **Palliative Care Committee**

Amit Kumar volunteered to join a Palliative Care Committee at DVH, looking at place of death.

#### Norwegian IT Platform

Amit Kumar agreed to help DVH on the steering group of a Norwegian IT platform funded by the academic health science network aiming to provide service improvement with multiple inputs.

#### Date of Next Meeting

Annette Schreiner announced she would be retiring in Sept and was thanked and wished well by all LMC representatives. The LMC will liaise with GK re date of next meeting. It was agreed that it may be a good idea to meet before 6 months in order to open channels with the new medical director

John Allingham Medical Secretary