

Minutes of the NW Locality PPG 10th May2018 at Whitwick Health Centre.

1. Present

Melanie Arnold, Federation Manager, Alan Bourne, Chair, Barbara Milner, Measham,
Tony Green, Ashby, Chas Dillon, Belton, Paul Siddals, Whitwick, Bob White Hugglescote,

Apologies

Mary Smith /Nigel Muttimer, Long Lane, Doreen Turner, Ibstock,
Vanessa Blake, Castle Donnington. Yvonne Docherty ,Belton

Tony Green was introduced to the group replacing David Price from Ashby.

3. Previous Minutes 29th January were approved, Matters arising were covered on the agenda.

4. Federation Update. MA - See Federation Update presentation (attached).

Inter Practice Referrals. This will include travel vaccinations and minor surgery. Treatment of minor injuries is being considered.

Integrated Locality Teams. All practices now have multidisciplinary teams and a standard protocol is in place, regular meetings have commenced. The patient representative is Jenny Toal from Whitwick PPG. She will provide patient input to the development of these teams.

Practice Resilience. NHS England have awarded £100,000 to NW Leicestershire to develop practice resilience (see presentation).

Extended Access to Primary Care. Work is being carried out to extending hours from 8am-8pm accessed by using 111. Patients are being consulted on how far they would travel to use this service, with the possibility to use Coalville Hospital for a Saturday morning surgery and Loughborough Walk in Centre on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings for some practices.

AB raised the following issues which MA agreed to consider:

- Locality group member to attend Federation meetings to represent the patient's input when required e.g. inter-practice referrals development.
- Medicine waste display to be moved from Markfield to another practice shortly.
- GPs who have PPGs to talk to their colleagues who do not have functioning PPGs, in order to promote their formation.

Long Lane PPG will have their 1st meeting today following the expansion of the surgery.

5. Updates from our Practices

Whitwick - have organised a Falls Prevention workshop for patients on Thursday 7th June 7-9pm Park Hall Whitwick. Paul will circulate a flyer to Locality members. All are welcome to attend. The practice is challenged by limited accommodation and high cost as their land lords, NHS property,

charge exorbitant rent, provide a poor service, preferring to keep half the rooms in the health centre empty.

Castle Medical Group - have a number of Carers Champions (who are existing members of staff) including mental health and autism.

Measham – are making more use of pharmacists for advice to patients to reduce the need for GP appointments

Belton- are planning a presentation on back pain management and have had a meeting for patients on "Bad back and how to deal with it". They now have 2 full time doctors and 1.5 part time also.

Markfield - The practice manager is retiring and a replacement will start soon. For PPG Awareness Week they will be trying to recruit additional members and assisting patients to sign up for "Enhanced Care Records" and patient friends & family test.

Hugglescote - For PPG Awareness Week they will have a PPG information noticeboard, lunchtime health talks and PPG attendance at coffee morning on June 5th. They have a newsletter and are considering a Facebook page.

Castle Donnington – are promoting PPG membership and undertaking a survey on the effectiveness of their early morning surgery.

6. AOB.

The next meeting is 1pm on Monday 13th August 2018 at Whitwick Health Centre. MA will book the room. The date and time of meeting in January is to be agreed.