



Date	Mon. January 14 th . 2019	Chair	Dan Attry (Mob: 07973 632548) (dudleylpc@gmail.com/chair@dudleylpc.org)
Venue	Savoy Centre, Northfield Rd., Netherton, DY2 9ES	Chief Officer	Stephen Noble (Mob: 07856 309573) (ceo@dudleylpc.org)
Present	Dan Attry (DA) Stephen Noble (SN) Matt Cox (MC) Michelle Dyoss (MD) Aman Grewal (AG)	Amjid Iqbal (AI) Abul Kashem (AK) Mo Kolia (MK) Vijay Lad (VL) Lynn Rees (LR)	Darren Reeves (DR) Scot Taylor (ST) Thomas Thomik (TT) Diane Walker (DW) Brett Sibley (BS)- visitor Jag Sangha (JS)- visitor

Details

Open
section

1. **Welcome, introductions and apologies**
-apologies from Aman Grewal, Mo Kolia and Lynn Rees

2. **Declarations of interest**
-there were no declarations of interest

3. **NRT voucher scheme**
- BS stated that all under 18's for NRT from school nurses, smoking advisors, are issued vouchers from public health but are not being processed at some pharmacies for NRT. Pregnancy also covered by voucher scheme. Pharmacies paid via PharmOutcomes. Adults needing to stop smoking are with Solutions4Health and their NRT is processed by them.
Committee agreed to gather more information and to circulate flyer to remind contractors that NRT can be issued on production of a voucher.

4. **CPDO report (MD)**
- MD has circulated National HLP newsletter. One of our local HLP champions featured. Always need stories and articles. Checking HLP accreditation around pharmacies as this needs renewing. Still has HLP resources available. Alcohol- 309 screenings undertaken. EHC- third of clients are having a double dose. Only 8 pharmacies giving chlamydia kits or condoms. All HIV tests coming back negative. More EHC training being undertaken and is available. Healthy Living settings meeting attended- national campaigns for mental and sexual health being planned. Online training for sexual health being made available. Public Health contracts going from NHS to council template- going out ASAP. Blood pressure- any patients requiring are being directed to pharmacies doing health checks for this to be carried out. Leaflets- keeping older people safe in winter to be distributed. CCG newsletter communication has gone out to contractors. January CPD meeting- LPC representative can't attend, so apologies to JS.

5. **Medicines management/Office of Public Health report (JS)**
Specials- The Tablet newsletter circulated to committee was for discussion tomorrow. Response from LPC was received and noted. Pharmaceutical Public Health Team were targeting Non-Tariff specials. Melatonin prescribing accounted for 22% of N-T specials. Educational approach to pharmacies had been decided, highlighting challenges faced by Pharmaceutical Team. Practice-Based pharmacists were reviewing specials ordering in GP surgeries. JS gave other examples of N-T specials ordered. Pharmacists asked to contact GP's/PBP's when an expensive special is ordered. JS suggested that there was a need for clinical check by the pharmacist before items were ordered and dispensed. £40-£212 variation between the price of ordered melatonin caps. Details to be sent out to GP's. Pharmacists to consider licensed options for substitution and to advise GP



surgeries/PBP's. VL suggest template form for specials substitution for faxing to surgeries. JS to forward the Tablet Extra Specials Newsletter (post approval at the Prescribing Subcommittee 15/1/2019) to LPC for dissemination to all Dudley contractors.

Antivirals- Tamiflu/Relenza should be made readily available in pharmacies. Encourage contractors to consider stock position based on past dispensing history. Action needs to be taken promptly, as problems occur in obtaining prescribed drugs at weekends. Treatment should be commenced within 48 hours. Patients are ending up going to Russels Hall Hospital. VL suggested Public Health to pay for one pack of each to be stocked, as with palliative care scheme. FP10's have been issued and directed to RHH but this is an informal arrangement. DA said that other areas have stock/supply scheme in place. JS to take suggestion forward, but suggested that pharmacies 'phone around to identify stock availability. A future commissioned service might be possible.

New Practice-Based Pharmacists being appointed in High Oak and Feldon Lane surgeries. One more to start in February. Committee suggested a new list of PBP's should be issued.

POD- New telephone system 'Babble' to go live on February 23rd.

MAS/MECS- being chased for new contracts. Boots/Lloyds Pharmacy undergoing discussions on adoption of schemes. Six-month evaluation of MAS has been very positive with Dudley CCG telling other CCG's of its effectiveness. Principle of promoting self-care being established, away from other, more costly interventions. Of about 1100 consultations made across the Black Country, Sandwell shows the greatest take up.

6. Committee meetings

a. Area Clinical Effectiveness committee- not due

b. Prescribing sub-committee- not due

c. Primary Care Development committee

- CQC inspection of Stourside rated 'good'. Waterfront surgery re-inspected by CQC- no report yet. GP business continuity plans deemed inadequate. Surgeries need different sites from which to operate in an emergency situation.

d. POD meeting

- no meeting but current service/problems were discussed

e. 'Flu planning

-general unhappiness on ordering supplies situation for 2018-19. Surgeries were annoyed their figures were going down, blaming pharmacy activity. Acknowledgement made of better collaboration between surgeries and their local pharmacies, meaning potential collaborative working in future. Pharmacies recognized for stepping up to supply patients.

7. AOB

-there was no other business

*Signed
by the
Chair*

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