

LMC Committee May 2022- Update for practices

Lincolnshire LMC representative members meet with the secretariate monthly to obtain updates on progress from the previous month, hear from invited guest speakers, discuss relevant events, issues, and hot topics, and make decisions regarding future actions.

The table below is intended to inform you about the main points provided to the LMC Committee during the last meeting.

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| Speaker: Dr Tom Davis: Senior Clinical Advisor to the Lincolnshire Health and Care Collaborative | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Tom Davis, (TD), is part of the National Intensive support Team. TD's role, focussing on Recovery Support, (the new special measures), is to work with clinical and operational executives to provide support with the aim of increasing capacity and capability at a systems level. • TD's work will be keeping within the system improvement plan which focusses on; flow, discharge, care closer to home, musculoskeletal and pharmacy. • The support provided will be at a systems and grass roots level and TD is currently working to identify what the challenges are within the system. TD recognised the need for general practice to have a louder voice at the collaborative table. |
| | <p>COVID Vaccine</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Changes to vaccine schedule regularly updated and available at https://future.nhs.uk/CovidVaccinations/view?objectId=31770448 • Spring Booster programme underway |
| Flu 2022 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NHS England and NHS Improvement has published guidance about reimbursable vaccines and eligible cohorts for the 2022/23 flu vaccination programme. • 2022/23 flu programme likely to be combined. The Screening and Immunisation Team will be linking with Rebecca Neno. • There will be a primary school programme for flu vaccines but not for secondary school. |
| STP/ CCG | <p>ICS development</p> <p>Committee were informed of the three-stage process to recruit the GP representative on the ICB:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Each eligible organisation will get one vote and that vote will need to be seconded by another eligible organisation. The vote can be for a GP, pharmacist, optometrist, or dentist within the MSP. 2. A list of nominees will be sent to all contract holders and will require fifty percent approval to move to the next stage. RB clarified that contract must approve the whole list or reject the whole list even if the rejection is just for one nominated person. RB explained that contract holders must respond within ten days and if they do not respond then that non-response will be counted as approval. 3. A panel of five will be convened by John Turner to assess the suitability of nominees. If no suitable nominee is identified, then the process will revert to stage one. <p>Lincolnshire LMC have also asked to sit on the recruiting panel.</p> <p>Protected Learning Time</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee asked the LMC secretariate to follow up the county wide PLT with the CCG as there have been no recent updates. |

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| | <p>Planned care</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Virtual consultations discussed at Planned Care and Diagnostic Cell. Issues raised by multiple GPs about the impact this has on patients and practices. Processes for prescriptions and tests to be organised now being looked into. CCG and ULHT working on current contracting round- LMC suggested having EPS as a contractual requirement. Various specialties have particularly long waiting lists: colorectal, dermatology, ENT, and neurology. Recovery plans in place. Recent Fire at LCH resulting in increased waiting times. DEXA condemned Cardio, neuro, ENT waiting list focussed reduction aim. <p>Practice resilience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Practice Support Network: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> First meeting taking place on 22nd June and will be focussing on Enhanced Services. On-site support also available OPEL/GPAS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> GPAS rolled out countywide beginning of May 22. Over 50% practices are completing returns and the number is increasing each week. The current GPAS is Amber 2 / Opel 3. LMC encourages all practices to participate. Recruitment. LMC recruitment event taking place on the evening of Wednesday 29th June in Sleaford. Open to GPs & GP trainees looking for employment in Lincolnshire. The event will include information about GP fellowship opportunities, visa sponsorship and funding as well as time for practices to network with candidates. <p>Enhanced services/DCAs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New DOAC ES specifications produced Various other ES being reviewed this and next quarter Spirometry Pathway: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is a new spirometry diagnostic service which will be delivered over a PCN footprint for economy of scale, primarily for asthma and COPD. The main differences for practices who are already providing spirometry are things like FeNO and onward referrals. Originally spirometry was meant to be included in extended access however it has now been removed. Funding is likely to be per capita and there is some flexibility to allow practices/ PCNs to work together to ensure geographic coverage. Committee raised the need to fund associated costs such as management and admin, staff training & ARTP accreditation, facilities, and equipment. Safeguarding Specification: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Payments for reports have been confirmed at £50 for a standard report and £100 for a complex report Practices must be signed up to enhanced services for these payments to be made If less than 5 days' notice has been given for the child protection conference, then the practice will not be expected to have completed the report before the conference takes place. |
| <p>Primary Secondary Care Interface</p> | <p>EMAS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> System CQC inspection has taken place that included EMAS control room, outcome awaited <p>LCHS</p> |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community colleagues have requested back door numbers from practices so that they do not have to go through switchboards. Committee discussed a lack of communication from community colleagues and agreed that direct numbers to community nurses should also be shared with GPs so that GPs do not have to use the 0300 numbers. LMC secretariate will be passing this feedback to community leads. |
| Councils | <p>Coroner:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Covid death certification regulations end on 31st March 2022. However new regulations come into force which allow death certification if deceased seen by a medical practitioner in the 28 days preceding death. LMC unsure whether cremation regulations also amended but will update practices when this is understood. CME roll out hampered by IT/Governance issues. Advert released for further recruitment. |
| Child protection | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Safeguarding specification discussed above Guidance will be coming out regarding safeguarding and Ask My GP. There have been instances where child protection enquiries have been made through Ask My GP and the parent has gained access to the enquiry. |
| Medical School | <p>Medical Student GP-focussed projects: Committee asked to provide topics for projects that might be useful.</p> |
| LMC Practice Calls/ Visits | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Courtesy calls to practices, LMC offers support and gathers useful feedback. On-site visits and CQC walk-throughs available on request, contact info@lincslmc.co.uk Practices asked to provide a contact number that bypasses the switchboard. |
| Impact Lincs | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Impact Lincs is the LMCs Mentoring & Coaching service available to all practice staff. Email: info@lincslmc.co.uk to request the service. |
| Take-30 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Take-30 is a service available to all practice staff providing support to work through daily challenges. This is a useful resource that practice managers can signpost practice staff to. Call 01522 576659 to arrange your call. |
| Wellbeing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wellbeing pages available on LMC website, including many self-help resources as well as directories to wellbeing organisations and charities. Live Life to the Full: Free online courses covering low mood, stress and resilience. Work out why you feel as you do, how to tackle problems, build confidence, get going again, feel happier, stay calm, tackle upsetting thinking and more. Courses are free for all Lincolnshire General Practice Staff. |
| LMC Development Centre | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Courses for 2022 are available via the LMC website New LMC Podcasts covering a wide range of both clinical and non-clinical topics. <p>In progress:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> LMC Committee podcast now available Practice manager podcast <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A wide range of educational webinars are also available via the LMC website. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New dermatology & cardiology webinars in the pipeline. <p>UPCOMING:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wednesday 22nd June: Practice Management Support Network Wednesday 29th June: Speed networking and recruitment event at The Agra, Sleaford. (Evening) |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Friday 15th July: Covid-19 recognition and reflection event at the Lincolnshire Showground. (Evening) <p>SAVE THE DATE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thursday 13th and Friday 14th October: Lincolnshire Practice Manager Conference at the Belton Woods Hotel. (2 Days) Wednesday 30th November: LMC GP Conference at the Belton Woods Hotel. (Full day) |
| Rebuild General Practice Campaign | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Campaign information and resources have been shared with practices – for more information go to www.lincslmc.co.uk/rebuildgeneralpractice If your practice would like to get more involved in the campaign, please contact rosa.wyldeman@nhs.net. |
| LMC UK Conference Update | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> LMC UK Conference is when all LMC across the nation come together to debate and vote on motions that have been submitted in advance, relevant to the whole of the UK. This year 4 members of the LMC committee attended. There were two main topics discussed: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Motion to change core hours to 9am to 5pm in line with usual business hours. Arguments for the motion included preventing burnout and working safely. Arguments against included the risk of pushing more work into less time and the possibility of receiving less funding. This motion was rejected. Developing a National Association of LMCs, this was not a motion but was a topic for debate. Discussions included questions about whether this would replace or support GPC. GPDF felt very strongly that it should be a supportive body. |
| LMC Committee Meetings | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lincolnshire LMC Committee welcomes observers. If you would like to observe a future meeting please contact info@lincsLMC.co.uk Information about the LMC Committee meetings can be found HERE. You can find out who your area representatives are via our Meet The Team page All previous LMC Committee Meeting Reports can be viewed HERE. |