



Kent Local Medical Committee

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

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Highlights from the Sessional Sub-Committee Meeting April 2019

Drs John Burke, Catherine Gardiner, Awadh Jha, Mark Speller, Kevin Tan and Sarah Westerbeek. joined Dr Mike Parks at the recent Sessional GP Sub-Committee.

Sessional/VTs Conference – 15th May 2019

Catherine Gardiner agreed to assist with the job stand to help signpost GPs seeking job opportunities. Lantum, OOH, the Deanery, Medocc, Retainer scheme (information from HEKSS) had been approached for information.

It was agreed federations be asked for information on employment opportunities, and that invitations be extended to first five/next generation GPs.

The Sub-Committee agreed to extend an invitation to CCGs.

Primary Care Networks (PCNs) - Are you being included?

Sessional GPs in West Kent did not feel they were being included. Dr Kevin Tan reported that all salaried GPs were included in DGS. Thanet have involved all GPs and are currently running an election for their Clinical Director.

General feeling was that sessional GPs were not involved in conversations or decisions. Clinical Director posts had not been advertised.

It was agreed a letter be sent to PCNs regarding sessional workforce opportunities.

BMA Model Locum-Practice agreement

The National T&Cs for locums has been published. Currently it is a sellers' market. It was felt that national T&Cs might be less favourable than existing arrangements. The T&Cs are available on the LMC website in addition to the salaried model contract, and would be included in the Sessional GP Conference pack.

Sessional GP representation and the national picture

Zoe Norris, GPC Sessional GP Chair delivered a speech at the LMC Conference, saying that LMCs and the BMA should represent sessional GPs more effectively, and that some LMC have no sessional seats.

It was felt that Kent LMC engage well with Sessional GPs but that consideration would be given to possible constitutional changes to reflect impending changes in landscape at the next meeting.

Sessional GPC Election

Voting for the Election of a Sessional GPC Committee opened today (25th April), and encouraged members to vote. The LMC agreed to investigate how the electorate is being included.

Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 13th June 2019

Dr Mike Parks
Medical Secretary