

NEWS FROM YOUR LOCAL MEDICAL COMMITTEE



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Regional:

A. LLR LMC CHAIR 2018-2022



We are pleased to announce that following the recent election process, our chair for 2018-2022 has now been elected by our governing body.

Dr Nainesh Chotai has been re-elected and will serve as chair for the next electoral term.

B. LLR LMC EVENTS 2019



LLR LMC are pleased to confirm the following events for 2019:

Thursday 28th February 2019 1:30pm-3:00pm – “How to Properly Sub-Contract.” This event will be facilitated by Shane Baker (LMC Law) and will cover the following:

- what is a Contract e.g. written/verbal and what do these contracts look like and should include?
- what are the legalities of a contract in relation to practices delivering a service?

- Hints and tips for practices before signing a contract
- Things to consider when changing the terms of a contract

Wednesday 6th March 2019 1:30pm-3:30pm –
“Complaints Workshop.” This event will be facilitated by Cathie Cunnington (NHSE Complaints Team) and is aimed at Practice Managers.

Wednesday 20th March 2019 (Time TBC) – “Changes to GMS Contract 2019/20.” This event will be facilitated by Glyn Rawlings from Rowleys Chartered Accountants.

Places are limited on all of our events. If you wish to confirm your place at any of the above, please email enquiries@llrlmc.co.uk

C. CONSULTATION ON INCREASING EMPLOYEE PENSION CONTRIBUTION

As many of you may be aware, there is an ongoing consultation looking at increasing employers pension contribution to 20.6%. This would have a huge impact on the partnership model if it is not funded.

The response from the BMA on the issue is that they “will be formally responding to this consultation in detail on behalf of all members affected. With regard to general practice, any rise in employer contributions must be fully funded to ensure GP partners are not unfairly impacted.”

We will keep our constituents informed on this matter.

D. UPDATE ON SSAFA DOCUMENTS

Following our last newsletter, where we informed our members that ‘Additional workload SSAFA AVS audit of

records and notes repatriation’ are being handed out to practices.

We have yet to receive a response from the CCGs regarding any fee for completing this work as it is non-contractual and a result of failure on part of a commissioner service for home visiting.

Whilst we understand that the documents are being sent to practices, the LLR LMC’s view is that practices do not undertake this work until we have had a satisfactory response from the commissioners.

E. UPDATE FROM CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR SUB-CONTRACTING ARRANGEMENT

It was a busy time in the LMC office in the run up to Christmas, with 85 practices across LLR opted in to our sub-contracting arrangement for Christmas Eve and New Years Eve.

Below is the date we have obtained from DHU regarding calls received.

CCG	Xmas Eve Calls	NYE Calls
East Leicestershire and Rutland	10	10
West Leicestershire	7	9
Leicester City	8	8
Total	25	27

From our perspective it all went smoothly, but we would like to hear from any practices if they have any feedback they wish to share from a practice or patient perspective.

The LMC wanted to ensure we could provide this sub-contracting arrangement for as minimal charge as possible, which was £100 for the 2 days, we have a small surplus which we will be donating to a local charity “Healing Little Hearts.”

F. LLR LMC LIAISON MEETING WITH MRS MASON (SOUTH LEICESTERSHIRE AND LEICESTER CITY CORONER)

The LLR LMC is meeting with the South Leicestershire and Leicester City Coroner, Mrs Mason, in February as part of the ongoing liaison.

If our members have any issues, or have points of clarity, you would like us to raise on your behalf to the coroner, please email enquiries@llrlmc.co.uk by Friday 22nd February 2019.

G. TRANSFERRING CARE SAFELY (TCS)

LLR LMC have recently written to John Adler (Chief Executive of Leicester Hospitals) to highlight the great work that has been done by the TCS team and following the departure of Catherine Headley, we would like to ensure that enough resources are installed into the TCS system so all the benefits gained over the last few months will not be lost.

H. THE GP HEALTH SERVICE

The GP Health Service is a service for GPs or GP Trainees across England, with issues relating to mental health concerns or addiction problems, often where this might be affecting their work.

The GP Health Service can provide:

- Expert assessments usually within 48 Hours
- Medication
- Cognitive Behavioural Therapy
- Individual and Group Support

The service is contactable via web (www.healthandself.care), email gp.health@nhs.net and telephone 0300 030 3300



I. TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT TASK AND FINISH GROUP

We are delighted to inform you that a task and finish group has been set up to ensure continued provision of a General Practice Training and function across LLR in a cost effective and efficient way. The current function provides training opportunities to practice employed non-medical staff such as Practice Nurses, Health Care Assistants, reception/administrative staff and Practice Managers across LLR. It enables practices to access quality assured training and ensures training offered is consistent to all staff across LLR.

The group aims to outline the options for continuation of the function in 2019/20 and beyond with scope for further evaluation on how and what services could be delivered going forward into the future. The group is preparing a Final Programme Initiation Document and accompanying business case to be presented at each of the three CCGs Primary Care Commissioning Committees for review and agreement in March 2019. The Training & Development

function will continue to be facilitated by current staff within the T&D department and overseen by the T&D board until then. The outcome of the review at committee will be communicated to relevant stakeholders by the group shortly after.

Updates will regularly be provided via the CCGs newsletter but should you wish to contact the team involved, please contact Siân Hill – Project Team co-ordinator for this group (Sian.Hill@westleicestershireccg.nhs.uk), who will be able to direct your query appropriately.

As many of you may be aware, the annual training needs analysis form has been sent to practices. Practices are encouraged to discuss the content of the TNA with their staff to ensure their training needs are identified.

The form must be completed by Friday 8th February and can be found on our [website](#).

J. PRACTICE MANAGERS COACHING AND MENTORING

Practice Managers are being offered coaching and mentoring sessions as part of a programme by NHS England. Up to four 90-minute sessions are offered to help identify goals and think through challenges. There are 700 places nationally, however places are limited and subject to a suitability assessment and first come first serve basis.

The deadline is 21st January 2019. Please apply via this [link](#)

For any queries email england.gpdevelopment@nhs.net

K. SCREENING AND IMMUNISATION TEAM UPDATE

The Screening and Immunisation Team for NHS East Midlands and Central have released their latest bulletin.

This edition includes information on:

Immunisation Information

- Flu vaccine supply – for information and action
- Pertussis vaccination for travellers to Australia – for information
- Rotavirus – for information
- PPV vaccine supply – for information and action
- PGDs – for information

Screening Information

Cervical Screening

- HPV Primary Screening implementation - for information and action
- PCSE new online form - for information
- Screening e-learning for GPs - for information

As well as PCV PGD and Hep A Vaccine Supplies.

To read this month's bulletin please visit our [website](#).

L. JOB VACANCIES

To view current vacancies please visit our [website](#).

Advertising any vacancies your practice may have is free through the LMC. Just send the details of the vacancy to enquiries@llrlmc.co.uk

Shared Learning and Issues raised with the LMC this month:

A. Preparing for a CQC Inspection:

We have recently received a number of queries regarding CQC inspections and how to prepare for an upcoming inspection. Our website offers advice such as dedicate time on staff meeting agendas to discuss the upcoming inspection, organize policies and infection control audits.

To view more guidance on preparing for an upcoming inspection, please click [here](#)

B. CQC Inspections – What to expect? Myth Buster? Registered Manager Interview:

In addition to information on how to prepare for a CQC inspection, our website offers a range of information on what to expect during a CQC inspection, a CQC myth buster and information on registered manager interviews.

To view this, please click [here](#)

C. Model Agreements – Salaried GPs/Locums:

Useful guidance from the BMA on model agreements for both salaried GPs and locums, can be found on our [website](#)

D. 24 Hour Retirement:

The LMC have received several queries regarding 24 Hour Retirement and the process involved. The BMA offer guidance on this matter which can be found [here](#)

It is also important that the GP ensures that they have followed the full and correct process to enable them to claim their NHS Pensions. Full details are available on the PCSE [website](#)

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- Joint Guidance on e-RS
- Government Prescribing Review
- Pensions Update on Total Rewards Statements
- Fax Machine 'Ban'
- Pensions Consultation
- NHS Payments to General Practice in England
- Brexit
- Workforce Minimum Data Set in England
- Supply Issues for Primary Care
- BMA Subject Access Requests Survey Results.

To view the update, please visit our [website](#)

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