

LMC ViewPoint

The newsletter of Leeds Local Medical Committee Limited



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NEW LMC OFFICERS

Congratulations to Nicola Hambridge, a salaried GP working in west Leeds, who was elected as our new LMC chair at the last LMC meeting. We'd also like to offer a warm welcome to Sara McSorley, a salaried GP working in the north of Leeds, who has been newly elected deputy chair. Annette Bearpark, Raj Sathiyaseelan and Richard Vautrey were all re-elected to continue with their officer roles.

Jonathan Adams has completed his term of office as chair of the LMC, which brings to an end 20 years of outstanding work as an LMC officer, first as assistant medical secretary when elected in 1998 and then as treasury, deputy chair and finally 3 years as chair. In addition, he has fulfilled many other leadership roles in Leeds, and continues as a partner at St Martins Practice in Chapeltown and locality lead GP for the area. He has played an important role in designing and running drug and alcohol misuse services in Leeds, has been a medical director of the out-of-hours service Leeds Doctors Cooperative and subsequently become Leeds North East PCG chair and PCT PEC chair. We're really grateful for all that he has done for GPs in Leeds over the last 20 years and pleased that we will continue to be able to benefit from his wisdom and experience as a member of the LMC.

GDPR UPDATE

A [hub page](#) for GDPR information has now been launched on the BMA website. This provides information on the regulation and hosts a suite of resources and blogs to help guide practices. This page will be updated regularly as new guidance is published and more GP-focussed information and resources will be added very soon.

Please find attached a link to the official GDPR Webinar put together by the Information Governance Alliance. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S7xKH8KQIqE>

HPV PGD TEMPLATE

The [PGD template \(v02.00\) for HPV vaccine for adolescent females](#) has now been published, and is available attached. This template supports the administration of HPV vaccine to girls from 12 years of age or from school year 8 in accordance with the national immunisation programme, and is valid from 1 May 2018 to 30 April 2020.

[The PGD for men \(MSM\)](#) has also been published, although this is not for General Practice but for vaccination of MSM through Specialist Sexual Health Services and HIV clinics. The operational guidance is available [here](#).

All PGD templates are available on the [Public Health England website](#), and a link to this page is available on the [vaccs and imms webpage](#) on the BMA website.

VERIFICATION OF EXPECTED DEATH – TRAINING FOR CAREHOMES

The LMC have been made aware of some occasions when nursing home staff in some areas of Leeds have not been qualified/willing to verify expected deaths amongst their patients. While GPs are keen to support care home staff this is creating unnecessary workload pressures on practices and the OOH service. Leeds Community Healthcare Trust offers verification of expected death training to care homes. The training is for registered nurses and takes no longer than 2 hours. Please help raise awareness of palliative care facilitators for care homes who can provide further training by sharing the attached poster within your practice.

NHS HEALTH CHECK IN LEEDS 2011 – 2016

Please find attached an infographic detailing annual data on NHS Health Checks in Leeds. More up to date data will be shared in due course.

COMPARISON OF GP DELIVERY FLU VACCINATION UPDATE 2016/17 – 2017/18

NHS England North (Yorkshire and the Humber) shared the final uptake figures for the 2017/18 flu season and this shows an increased uptake across the city. The final uptake figures are attached for information.

PROGRESS TOWARDS FULL USE OF ELECTRONIC REFERRAL SYSTEM

The LMC has been discussing with Leeds CCG the significant progress made towards full use of the e-RS system. We have been made aware of some incidents where e-referrals to paediatrics have bounced back. If this has happened in your practice it would be helpful to know. Please send specific examples to the LMC via mail@leedslmc.org and we will escalate with LTHT to resolve the issues.

NEW MEASURES TO REDUCE RISK OF VALPROATE IN PREGNANCY

The Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) has changed the licence for valproate medicines (Epilim, Depakote and generic brands), in that they are contraindicated and must no longer be prescribed to women or girls of childbearing potential unless they are on the pregnancy prevention programme (PPP). The UK's Chief Medical Officers will be issuing instructions and educational materials to support the implementation of the PPP, which will be sent to GPs in the coming weeks. You can access a link to their press release [here](#).

CONTINUED PCSE/CAPITA FAILURES

The BMA submitted a Freedom of Information (FOI) request to NHS England to understand the issues impacting GP pension and the PCSE compensation scheme, established in May 2017. Information was requested due to serious concerns with the ongoing failures of Primary Care Support England's (PCSE) service delivery. However, the deadline to respond to the FOIs has passed and despite numerous attempts, no reply has been received so the matter has been referred to the Information Commissioner's Office. More information is available on the BMA's [PCSE webpage](#).

DISPUTE OVER ANNUALISATION OF PENSIONS

The issue of 'annualising' income earned by GPs was introduced into the Career Average Revalued Earnings (CARE) NHS Pension Scheme Regulations in April 2015. This is something the BMA has never agreed with and we have been clear in voicing our concern about it. They disagree with the way NHS pensions have interpreted the regulations and the manner in which they have revised their guidance. More information can be found [here](#) and in a [blog](#) by Krishan Aggarwal, deputy chair of the sessional subcommittee.

The BMA is now seeking legal advice over the annualisation of pensions, in a dispute with the Department of Health and Social Care over whether an equality assessment took place.

NICE GUIDANCE IN TREATING LYME DISEASE

The National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) has produced new guidelines for GPs on diagnosing and managing Lyme disease. The guidance includes symptoms to look out for, tests to help confirm a diagnosis and what treatments to use. Access the new guidance [here](#).

LEEDS CANCER PROGRAMME – LIVING WITH AND BEYOND CANCER

The Leeds Cancer Programme is a pioneering partnership which aims to transform cancer services across the city. They want to achieve the best in cancer care for the people of Leeds and work with all communities to ensure that everyone affected by cancer has access to the same high-quality care.

The programme encompasses four work streams: Prevention, Early Diagnosis, Highly Efficient Modern Services and Living With and Beyond Cancer (LWBC).

They are looking for a GP lead for the LWBC work stream, which is seeking to develop the best support to people affected by cancer to enable them to lead as full and active lives as possible with, or beyond, a diagnosis of cancer. A number of projects sit within the work stream including the implementation of the Cancer Recovery Package and the risk stratification of follow up pathways by cancer site.

The post holder will provide clinical leadership to form and influence delivery of the LWBC work stream and its projects, raise the profile of cancer and the LWBC work stream amongst Primary Care colleagues, and ensure input and buy in from Primary Care in the delivery of the recovery package and other projects within the work stream. The LWBC GP Lead will proactively seek to influence and inform the delivery of cancer support services for those affected by cancer in the changing primary care landscape in Leeds. Used to working across organisational boundaries, you will help them to be innovative in developing models of support for people in Leeds affected by Cancer, to ensure that they work across organisations to best meet the needs of patients.

This role is funded by Macmillan, for one session a week until March 2020. Macmillan funding entitles the post holder to apply for learning and development grants, worth up to £6,000 per annum, and also offers various other opportunities for development and networking.

You can find the job description and application details for the role here:

http://www.jobs.nhs.uk/xi/vacancy/3fe9608ecc33270868eb199a12a10ce4/?vac_ref=915049350

If you would like any further information, or to discuss the role further, please contact Sarah Bradley Wright, Work Stream Lead for Living With and Beyond Cancer Sarah.Bradley-Wright@nhs.net or 0113 843 5633.

DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY FOR NON-MEDICAL CLINICAL STAFF

Applications open for the Integrated Clinical Academic Internship Scheme

Supporting and increasing the research capability and capacity of the non-medical workforce is an important priority for the NHS. Health Education England provides opportunity and supports a significant scheme to support the development of staff interested in developing their research skills and perhaps pursuing a clinical research career.

Applications are now being sought from interested non-medical registered practitioners from across the North of England for the [Integrated Clinical Academic Internship Scheme](#).

This programme which is being provided through Sheffield Hallam University will provide a development opportunity for applicants to undertake a project which should have the potential to deliver improvements in patient care and to develop their research skills. Successful applicants

- Will gain access to the education programme
- Employing organisations will receive a contribution of £7,500 to meet any backfill and other related costs to enable the applicant to undertake the Internship.
- In addition, there is a contribution of £1,000 to pay for the support and input of a mentor.

Further details on the scheme can be found [here](#)

Applications are now being sought from applicants working in the North of England Region. Applications will close at **5pm on 18th May 2018**.

GP PRACTICE IT DATES FOR SNOMED, GDPR, DART & TELE-DERMATOLOGY

To support practices with the updates in Primary Care IT NHS Leeds CCG will be providing several sessions to support practice implementation on SNOMED, GDPR, tele-dermatology and the

updated DART tool. These training sessions are aimed at clinicians, practice managers, secretaries and admin staff that support referrals.

Action Required

Please book on to one of the following sessions by either emailing leedscg.dataqualityteam@nhs.net or by ringing the Leeds West CCG reception on 0113 8435470 with the required date, time & venue, delegate name, job role, practice details, email address and contact telephone number.

SNOMED system specific training – all practices - 45mins

As NHS Leeds further progress towards the SNOMED implementation. This session will provide delegates with the latest updates on the First of Types, Roll outs from clinical system suppliers and Processes for transition to SNOMED

GDPR – all practices - 45mins

Introducing the new CCG Data Protection Officer for the Health Care Hub - Louise Whitworth. This session will support practices in best practices for the implementation of GDPR.

Tele-dermatology - all practices – 45mins

The tele-dermatology project involves a change to the current process for sending a 2ww referral for dermatology. In the future all 2ww referrals will need to include photographs of the patient's skin lesion and will need to be sent using e-RS. The photographs will enable the consultant dermatologist to triage the referral and potentially discharge the patient without them having to attend a hospital appointment. This session will show you how to attach the photographs, which will have been taken by the consulting GP, to the 2ww referral and how to complete the referral on e-RS.

DART update - only applicable to SystmOne practices – 45mins

DART (Digitally Enabled Referral Toolkit) - All SystmOne practices are expected to use DART for 2ww referrals. From 1st June the DART referral hub will be rolled out to practices. This includes referral forms for other planned care pathways for both hospital and community services. This session will show you how to use the DART referral hub and the benefits of using DART. It will cover the requirements for both clinicians and secretaries.

The IT training dates are:

Tuesday 8th May – Weetwood Hall

- 9 -12noon – S1
- 1 – 4pm - Emis

Wednesday 16th May – Garforth Holiday Inn

- 9 -12noon – S1
- 1 – 4pm – S1

Tuesday 22nd May – Weetwood Hall

- 9 -12noon – S1

Wednesday 23rd May – Weetwood Hall

- 9 -12noon - Emis
- 1 – 4pm – S1
- 5 – 8pm – S1

PHYSICIAN ASSOCIATE SUPERVISION – HEE WORKSHOP IN LEEDS 21/6/18

On behalf of the Leeds Institute of Medical Education/Leeds Institute of Health Sciences, the LMC would like to draw your attention to a one-day workshop focusing on supervision of qualified physician associates aimed at clinicians in the Yorkshire and Humber region. Please share details with colleagues who are or are soon to be involved in supervision of qualified physician associates. The workshop will be held in Leeds on 21st June.

For further details and sign up, please visit:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/yorkshire-and-humber-physician-associate-supervisor-workshop-tickets-44872196949?aff=es2>

THE CAMERON FUND

The Cameron Fund, the GPs' own charity, has just published its Spring 2018 newsletter and a copy is attached to this edition of Viewpoint. There are details of some of the help which the Fund has been able to give to GPs and their families in the past year. If you are in genuine financial need, please do not hesitate to contact the Cameron Fund: www.cameronfund.org.uk.

GPC UK NEWSLETTER

Read GPC Chair – Dr Richard Vautrey's latest [GPC UK newsletter](#).

CURRENT KEY DISCUSSION AREAS BY THE LMC **....please contact the LMC Office for current status....**

- GDPR
 - GP Mentoring Scheme
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GENERAL INFORMATION DISTRIBUTED TO PRACTICES THIS MONTH

- Practice Manager Appraisal Project – Recruitment
 - Leeds LMC Practice Manager Funding
 - General Data Protection Regulation - guidance and templates
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COMINGS AND GOINGS

A warm welcome to.....

Crossley Street Surgery Wetherby welcome Dr James Coles as a salaried GP and Dr Nick Bennett covering maternity leave.

Dr Robert Eastham, Salaried GP and Dr James Walker GP Partner joined Whitehall Surgery in April.

Practice vacancies at.....

Leigh View Medical Practice – GP vacancy, 6-8 sessions per week on a 12 months contract (initially) commencing August 2018

The practice is looking for a highly motivated GP to join their medical practice on the Leeds/Wakefield border. Seeking an individual who is able to provide 6-8 sessions per week for continuity of care for their patients. Could potentially accommodate flexible working hours – may be partnership opportunities in the future.

- Single site in purpose built modern premises
- Dedicated team of administration and nursing colleagues – attached staff team who work in-house include the midwives, podiatrist, ultrasound and physio
- List size around 16,500
- 10 GPs- 7 partners and 3 salaried GPs

- Wide range of skills and experience and would be happy to accommodate GPs with specialist interests
- Experienced in teaching and used to be a training practice – happy to support and mentor newly qualified GPs

The practice offers a competitive salary and employment terms based around BMA guidance depending on skills and experience. Feel free to contact the practice for an informal visit or more information.

Please send a CV and a covering letter to: Miss Victoria Allen, Practice Manager, Leigh View Medical Practice, Bradford Road, Tingley, Wakefield, WF3 1RQ. Tel: 0113 253 7629. Email: vallen1@nhs.net

**Maternity Cover – Commencing June 2018. 6 Month Fixed Term Salaried GP
New Cross Surgery, Rothwell and Middleton Park Surgery, Leeds.**

We are seeking a committed and enthusiastic full-time or part-time Salaried General Practitioner to join our friendly and progressive practices in South Leeds.

We offer:

- Superb, friendly & supportive team of GPs, nurse practitioners and excellent nursing team.
- Modern refurbished facilities and equipment using SystemOne.
- Competitive salary, MDU paid, 6 weeks holiday pro rata and 1 week study leave pro rata.
- Paid time for professional/personal development.
- CQC inspected: rated a 'good' practice.

Become part of an innovative and forward thinking practice with opportunities to develop specialist skills, leadership and contribute to our local CCG.

For informal visit/enquiries/application please email: joanne.ward7@nhs.net or telephone Joanne Ward (Practice Manager) anytime on 07825 270908

Closing date: When post has been filled or 1st July 2018 whichever occurs first.

New useful documents on www.leedslmc.org

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