

Action Minutes

Date of Meeting: 17/09/2020		Time: 2pm	
Location: Virtual Meeting via Zoom		Subject: CPNY Committee Meeting	
Present: Mohammed Ali (MA), Tracey Chambers (TC), Charles Christian (CC), Tom Hajdas (TH), Richard Harrison (RH), Tommy Ling (TL), James Soderberg (JS), James Usmar (JU), David Broome (DB)		Apologies: Chris Kendall (CK), Richard Clark (RC)	
Other Attendees: Ian Dean (ID) – CPNY CEO, Laura Smart (LS) – CPNY EO			
Issue	Details	Who	When
Apologies	Chris Kendall and Richard Clark (newly appointed CCA representative)	INFO	
Introductions	New committee member, James Soderberg of Rowlands (CCA representative), was welcomed and introductions made.	INFO	
Declarations of Interest	None	INFO	
Minutes of the Last Meeting	The minutes of the last meeting were declared as an accurate record.	INFO	
Matters Arising	ID reported as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none">COVID-19 anti-body testing not rolled out to pharmacies as suggested it would beID attended Harrogate Cross Sector Forum for pharmaciesContractors have been reminded to report drug shortages	INFO	
Independent Review and LPC Chair/CEO Conference	<u>Independent Review</u> JU and ID reported that PSNC had issued four answers to the four questions they had posed in connection with the Independent Review, made up from all the responses they had received nationwide from the various contractor groups. PSNC had confirmed they would bear the cost of Phase 1 of actioning the Independent Review with regard to setting up ‘working groups’. <u>LPC Conference</u> Main points: <ul style="list-style-type: none">PSNC renegotiating many aspects of the CPCF due to COVID-19Funding negotiations ongoing as alwaysCPCS GP referral element to be rolled out shortlyThe DMS (Discharge Medicines Service) is due to commence 1st January 2021PSNC stressed that community pharmacy must ‘step up’ and help deliver high numbers of flu vaccinations required in 2020/21	INFO	
PSNC Regional Rep’s Report	DB explained that PSNC have continued to work hard dealing with lots of issues arising from the COVID-19 crisis but aside from this they: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Have been looking at new funding models for the dawn of hub and spoke and when pharmacists are required to be independent prescribers (this is to be added to pre-reg training at some point in the future)Are busy speeding up the margin survey process – it now operates on a three-month rolling basis which has led to improvements. Pharmacies must still report prices though as this information is invaluable to PSNC	INFO	
COVID-19 Update	ID updated the committee on issues arising from the COVID-19 crisis: <ul style="list-style-type: none">The SOP (standard operating procedure) issued for COVID-19 had changed and pharmacies were no longer able to work ‘behind closed doors’ without first obtaining permission from NHSE&IChanges to the requirement for written consent for advanced services provision has been changed so that verbal consent only required (includes flu vaccination, MURs/NMS)	INFO	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attempts to increase eRD were being made by NHSE&I and CCGs (and therefore GPs being strongly encouraged to start on EPS) 		
Flu Vaccination Update		Uplift in fee (for 2020/21 only) agreed at additional 50p per vaccination taking the fee to £10.08. Funding also available to pharmacies for providing off-site vaccinations (venue costs only – up to £200). PPE requirements have finally been issued as well. The PharmOutcomes had been greatly improved for this coming flu season with automatic notification to GPs, use of Pre Consult app to collect patient information prior to vaccination saving time and MYS being pre-populated with figures to make the claims process easier.	INFO	
	Action	The Committee discussed whether the flu leaflets were required this season and it was decided that there was enough national publicity and demand already so little need to promote further locally. ID to let the printers know these would not be distributed this year.	ID	ASAP
	Action	ID mentioned that there had been comments made in various meetings around whether pharmacies should be providing private flu vaccinations. He had countered these with explaining that these were needed for key workers/local authority staff such as healthcare workers/teachers not eligible under the national scheme. And in fact, it had been declared by DHSC that there will be enough vaccine for all those in targeted groups. ID to forward the web link to this declaration to committee members for reference.	ID	18-09-20
Treasurer's Report and Budget 2020/21		ID reported that the bank balance remained very healthy (£157,694 as at end of August 2020). All outstanding pharma rep monies had now been collected.	INFO	
KKI Opioid Induced Constipation Service		The service has been extended until 31 st March 2021 to allow pharmacies to do more as COVID-19 had interrupted delivery. Pharmacies can now recruit up to 60 patients each. Interim payment to be made to pharmacies in October. So far, 208 first visits have taken place, 27 second and 5 third visits.	INFO	
Market Entry Applications	Action	Application re. Burton Stone Lane, York and identified improvements/better access. The committee discussed and ID to respond that 'no identified need for additional pharmacy provision'.	ID	ASAP
	Action	No significant change relocation of Thorpe Willoughby Pharmacy in Selby. No objection; ID to respond accordingly.	ID	ASAP
Independent Contractor Vacancy	Action	ID explained that there were two candidates for this vacancy. Their applications had been forwarded to committee members for review. A vote took place and it was decided that Shaun Davies of Harrogate Pharmacy was duly elected. ID to let both candidates know the outcome.	ID	ASAP
PCN Lead Pharmacist Changes		ID reported some recent changes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jane Wilkins (Harrogate PCN) moved out of area. Only one expression of interest to become Lead from Shaun Davies (Harrogate Pharmacy). Awaiting confirmation that there is no objection from the PCN pharmacies. Abigail Rook (North Ridings Community Health PCN) has notified of her impending move out of area (expressions of interest to be issued for her replacement once she has moved) 	INFO	
Mapping Buddies to PCN Leads		ID reminded the committee that at the March meeting it had been decided to change the way the 'buddy' system worked by mapping buddy committee members to PCN leads so a reporting and feedback mechanism could operate through them rather than via individual pharmacies.	INFO	
	Action	This process of mapping would now be undertaken and the finished 'map' issued to committee members shortly and communicated to contractors.	ID/LS	ASAP
Future Meetings		ID issued the meeting dates for 2021. A brief discussion was held around where/how to hold future meetings, and in light of the impending second COVID-19 wave it was decided to continue these virtually for the foreseeable future.	INFO	

AOB	JU raised the issue of PCN Lead support and what might be required. LS commented that the newly published PQS consisted of two domains relating to PCN activity, meaning it was essential that more support be organised very soon for PCN Leads in the form of training etc. and assistance provided to ensure contact made with all PCN Clinical Directors. Crucially, PCN Lead success or failure will impact on the points claimable by all pharmacies.		INFO	
	Action	DB mentioned that other LPCs were successfully using 'Gaggle' email groups to ensure good communication between PCN pharmacies. LS to investigate this option.	LS	ASAP

Future Meeting Dates 2020:

Time	Day	Date	Venue
12pm	Thurs	19 th Nov 2020	Virtual Meeting

Future Meeting Dates 2021:

Time	Day	Date	Venue
12pm	Thurs	21 st Jan 2021	Virtual Meeting
10am	Thurs	25 th Feb 2021	TBC (Strategy Day)
12pm	Thurs	25 th Mar 2021	TBC
2pm	Thurs	10 th Jun 2021	TBC (AGM)
12pm	Thurs	16 th Sep 2021	TBC
12pm	Thurs	18 th Nov 2021	TBC