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MINUTES OF LPC MEETING

13th March 2025

Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

Present:

LPC Members (listed in alphabetical order):

Anjee Shah	LPC Member (Independent)
Arun Sharma	LPC Member (Independent)
Ashley Littlewood-Miller	LPC Member (CCA, Boots)
Daniela Lupeanu	LPC Member (CCA, Rowlands)
David Howells	LPC Member (IPA, Kamsons Pharmacy)
Gary Warner	LPC Member (Independent)
Jennifer Ndichu	LPC Member (IPA, Day Lewis)
Julie Fanneran	LPC Member (CCA, Boots)
Karen Alexander	LPC Member (CCA, Boots)
Michael McWhirter	LPC Member (Independent)
Peter Woodward	LPC Member (CCA Boots)
Alison Freemantle	LPC Joint Chief Officer
Artur Pysz	LPC Joint Chief Officer
Skye White	LPC Office Manager

25/03/01	<p>Chair's Welcome & Requests for AOB</p> <p>A Littlewood-Miller (Chair) welcomed everyone to the meeting.</p> <p>AOB:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> IPA's confidence lacking in CPE. 	
25/03/02	<p>Declarations of Interest</p> <p>NIL</p>	
25/03/03	<p>Apologies for absence & nominations of proxy votes</p> <p>NIL</p>	

25/03/04	<p>Minutes of the previous meeting on 16th January 2025</p> <p>These were accepted by the committee and signed by Chair, A Littlewood-Miller.</p>	
25/03/05	<p>Matters arising from the Minutes and Action Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Set up online banking for D Lupeanu. • K Alexander to send an email to S White to confirm that the Staff Handbook and LPC Code of Conduct have been reviewed. • All other matters were either completed actions or covered elsewhere in the agenda. 	PW KA
25/03/06	<p>Joint Chief Officer Report/Update</p> <p>A Freemantle updated the committee on her activities during the previous two months with both written and verbal reports.</p> <p>Lowlights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Having to spend nearly 3 weeks in hospital with a pulmonary embolism. • New commissioners initial funding proposal for smoking cessation did not increase on previous contract. • Having to mitigate the problems caused by Solutions4Health going direct to pharmacies with a PGD the funding for which we had already rejected <p>Highlights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Receiving the winter pressures funding from HIOW ICB and agreeing the data they want so comms could go out to pharmacies. • All IP Pathfinder sites now live (6 in HIOW, 1 in Frimley) and taking consultations. This still allows other pharmacies on our patch to continue offering the contraception service. • A great flu vac performance in Oct and Nov putting pharmacies approximately 20,000 ahead of same time last year. <p>Note: No body has sharp bins on the IOW, it is not pharmacy's fault. Can something be put out on social media to explain this situation and update the public? A Freemantle to follow up with Emily at the council.</p> <p>Some pharmacies on the IOW are not meeting their obligations. This is having an impact on other pharmacies that is completely out of their control. There are governance issues and opening issues. NHS IOW are aware and are looking into it. It is being delt with at a national level and it is a multiple.</p> <p>A Pysz updated the committee on his activities during the previous two months with both written and verbal reports.</p> <p>Lowlights</p>	AF

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brand generic prescribing issues. <p>Highlights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engaged with a small group of pharmacy groups (4-5 pharmacies) on our patch. It was an organized meeting with the owners to help them understand what we do. Received very positive feedback. • PCN Leads project moving forward. Five people have agreed to take on the roles in Portsmouth. They will be ready to hit the road from April 2025. • At the meeting in February with the ICB regarding brand generics. The HIOW ICB are committed to notifying us in advance of any medication switches. • Chief Medical Officer and Chief Pharmacist from the HIOW ICB were very impressed with their site visits. Normally it is a team from the ICB that visits but due to the size of the pharmacies it was reduced to two people. 	
25/03/07	<p>Yinka Kuye, Community Pharmacy Clinical Integration Lead Frimley ICB</p> <p>Yinka Kuye, shared her strategy, representation, implementation plan and priorities over the next few months.</p> <p>ICB having to make a 50% cut to it's outgoings. There is a senior leadership meeting scheduled for the 13th March. No one know what it is going to look like and what impact there will be.</p> <p>Pathfinder service for the Frimley ICB went live on the 25th February. Some promotion has been done, it has been kept a soft launch. Very little patient awareness, mainly ICB promotion.</p> <p>Presentation available to committee members on request.</p>	
25/03/08	<p>Hinal Patel, Community Pharmacy Clinical Integration Lead HIOW</p> <p>Hinal Patel gave a presentation recapping the last meeting, the last three months and her priorities over the next few months.</p> <p>Independent Pathfinder Pilot is live. They are doing walk in and booked appointment. All the coms will be going out next week.</p> <p>Presentation available to committee members on request.</p>	
25/03/09	<p>Remuneration & Budget Meeting</p> <p>Closed meeting that all committee members attended.</p>	
25/03/10	<p>ICB Draft Position Statement on MDS discussion</p> <p>Decision to support or not to support the statement?</p>	



	<p>Unanimous vote that the CPHIOW committee's position on the position statement, is we are not in favor and are not supporting the statement and are going to step away.</p> <p>A Pysz to send an email response back to the ICB. The response read as:</p> <p><i>Dear Sir/Madam,</i></p> <p><i>The HIOW Local Pharmaceutical Committee has reviewed the ICB draft position statement for the supply of Multicompartiment Compliance Aids (MCAs) forwarded to the CPHIOW JCOs on 5th February 2025 and has given the matter careful consideration. We would like to inform you that the LPC has decided not to support the ICB position statement and would like to clarify its stance on this matter:</i></p> <p><i>There is no service or official provision for the supply of MCAs in the Community Pharmacy Terms of Service. MCAs are merely one of several tools available to community pharmacies to support patients with specific needs. Community pharmacy contractors, like all other healthcare professionals, are required to assess patients under the Equality Act 2010 and offer reasonable adjustments if necessary while providing services, including dispensing medicines. Our contractors are fully aware of their contractual obligations. We believe that issuing an additional official document specifically regarding MCAs may be seen as a validation of such a non-existent provision/service and create unrealistic expectations of pharmacy contractors.</i></p>	AP
25/03/11	<p>Subcommittee Meetings</p> <p>All committee members broke into their sub-committee groups for a 20-minute discussion</p>	

25/03/12	<p>LPC Reports</p> <p><u>CPE Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • G Warner presented a CPE update. • Pharmacy Contract Negotiations are in consultation. • Conversations are very structured. G Warner described to the committee how the consultation will work and the time frames. • There is a three-way decision, Yes, Reluctantly Yes or No. • The department of health has promised that they will not go into detail of the announcement, so will reduce the time frame. • G Warner will hold a seminar the evening after the announcement to help explain it. <p><u>Market Entry</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed Medicine Clinic and one other application as it had a bit of a conflict. CPHIOW have sent their reply. <p><u>Service Development</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 service specs from Southampton Council to be reviewed. • Hampshire County Council stop smoking cessation has received an uplift in fees. • Discussion started for an IOW condom supply service to pay a retainer. <p><u>Governance</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NIL <p><u>Finance / Remuneration</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P Woodward circulated his report to the committee. The current bank balance is £251,122.21 with any March committee member expenses till to be paid. The prediction for the year end would indicate a retained income of 7 months expenditure. • The committee proposed unanimously to reduce the income level by giving levy holidays in the next financial year. P Woodward to work out how many levy holidays and complete the necessary paperwork with S White. • The proposed 2025/26 budget was accepted by the CPHIOW committee. • Reminder to all committee members that expense claims for this financial year are to be submitted by the end of March 2025. 	PW ALL
25/01/13	<p>AOB</p> <p>IPA's confidence lacking in CPE.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IPA members have voted a no confidence vote for CPE. • It is believed the problem is not with CPE and is with NHS England and the Department of Health. 	
24/11/13	<p>Meeting Review and Close</p> <p>The meeting closed at 13:34</p>	



	<p>Future LPC Meeting dates and venues for 2025:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 15 May 2025 – Face to Face – <u>Winchester Hotel & Spa</u>• 10 July 2025 - Virtual Meeting• 11 Sep 2025 - Virtual Meeting• 13 Nov 2025 - Virtual Meeting	
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