Minutes of LDC Meeting 30th June 2014

Present

Y Hopkins, I Douglas, M Horton, G Lloyd, R Shaw, Ette Ntekim, P Leach, C DuBourg, j Brown, D Plunkett, J Williams, Raj Jotangia

Apologies

Sandra Sandham A Hawkes, A Walton, Ben Lewis

Minutes of previous approved as a true record.

Treasurers Report

Curr Acc £11286.38

Total £13241.95

Matters Arising

OS Interim Tier Arrangements

Advert for the post has gone in and the service is booked up until the end of August.

11 applicants have applied to the post and interviews are taking place early August.

Orthodontics

The LHB are looking at the provision of non specialist orthodontics across N Wales. There is a move towards all patients in theory being seen by an Orthodontic specialist. DP raised concerns about this.

This matter to be taken to the OHSG. ACTION MH

Non Recurrent GDS funding

The LHB has written out to Practices asking for invitations to tender for non recurrent funding.

Funding will be allocated on a 3 yearly basis but with only 2/3 of the allocated funding in the first year being available in the second and third years. Practices who are successful will still be in a position to apply for additional funding in years 2 and 3.

Restorative Consultant.

A JD has been developed. It is hoped to get an advert in by September.

HIW Inspections

32 dentists have been appointed and will be conducting practice visits in due course. The final details of the scheme are yet to be finalized.

QAS inspections will also be carried out by the LHB but they will start with Practices which have been red flagged by the QAS returns.. There is no known start date for this.

Occupational Health

There have been some problems with Practices accessing the Service. This matter to be taken to the OHSG ACTION MH

AOB

Stuart Geddes will retire as BDA director in Wales in July and a temporary appoinmentt will be made as an interim arrangement

GDC Annual Retention Fee.

There are significant rises in fees anticipated for both nurses and dentists and Practitioners are advised to write in expressing their views on this matter in light of the PSA report.

North Wales Bursary Scheme

This scheme has been dismantled by BCLHB and funding for North Wales Students is no longer available.

Efficiency Savings

Practices may notice some claims have been rejected because of the two month rule

Practitioners are advised to transmit regularly to avoid this scenario.

Chairmans Correspondence

None

Secretary Correspondence

None

Treasurers Report

Curr Acc £14378.56

Res £1955.47

Tot £16334.13

The committee agreed that £2000 is to be paid to the BDA benevolent fund

BDA Ball will be held on the 24th January. £45 per ticket.

GDPC

Practitioners are advised to read the CDO document which was circulated recently with regard to proposals around any new contract and comment as you see fit.

Edition 3 of Delivering Better Oral Health has been published in Wales

WGDPC.

No report

Dental Health in N Wales

No report

Advisors

No report.

NWOHSG

All covered above

LDC LHB Liaison Group

Meeting next Wednesday

LDC Conference

Pilots are not producing a viable contract. Some pilots are to be altered to “prototypes” but in Wales it may be that tweaks will be made to the existing contract to modify things.

Next Meeting

September 8th and November 17th 2014