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CAMHS Presentation

LMC invited team members of Mental Health Services to discuss the current CAMHS Service. A workshop was held on 18 May 2018 for GPs, where some issues raised by LMC were resolved, however, GPs are experiencing difficulties for patients to be seen and seek reasoning. CAMHS service had remained unchanged until 2017 when rejections of referrals commenced and understanding the reason why, remains to be answered.

Examples of redacted rejected referrals were presented previously to the Clinical Director of MHS. The common theme was evident that an ADHD pathway is needed, also, CAMHS to refer direct to Paediatricians.

Majority of the examples were identified as CHD, it was noted that hard copies of Care Plans being sent to practices were printed on coloured paper which is impractical as when scanned, produces black illegible copies. LMC requested plain white photocopying paper with black ink, which was agreed.

An online service for support for young people is now available at **kooth.com** and posters and cards to be sent to practices. LMC requested letters to be sent to practices for patients using this service, which was agreed.

LMC asked, where to refer children with difficulties to? When a child presents with parent/guardian for a ten minute consultation, GPs are unable to diagnose whether the issue is one of behavioural or mental health and suggest one referral, where specialists triage and refer to right service to avoid referrals being delayed by rejections. Debate followed around risk and consent; WCCG, Children's Commissioning Manager agreed to add a line with permission agreement on referral.

Discussion followed around some schools informing parents to seek GP consultation for children with behavioural and mental health issues. It was noted that Educational Psychologists are provided at some schools and refer direct to CAMHS. WCCG, Children's Commissioning Manager agreed the need for a single point of access service.

Please find attached referrals for Adults for ADHD or ASD in SPARC zipped folder.

LMC thanked MHS team for the debate and requested feedback in six months' time.

Safeguarding Reports

WCCG confirmed the form for making claims is now included in the report. No reminders are sent to practices.

Peer Review

WCCG confirm all groups are now participating in Peer Review, document attached.

GDPR

LMC seek WCCG advice on appointment of DPO for practices. WCCG agreed to seek further advice and assist practices. Some practices have bought packages for policies guidance.

For queries, comments, observations and views regarding the contents of the Newsletter, feel free to contact LMC Officers.

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Final version of document to be available for practices shortly produced by WCCG.

Gap in Commissioning

Since the smoking cessation service was de-commissioned, Zyban cannot be prescribed without stop smoking clinic by licence.

Also it was noted that prescribing smoking cessation products **MUST** be in conjunction with a stop smoking service – This is NICE guidance.

LMC asked CCG to consider this and see if they will commission a stop smoking service as without this we would not be following NICE guidance if we were to prescribe stop smoking products.

Pharmacy Update

National negotiations presented in high court for a judicial review with DoH.

Local Minor Ailments Scheme commences on 1 June 2018, poster attached.

LMC asked for pharmacies to be reminded to check for repeat dispensing prescriptions before sending the patients back to request repeat prescriptions.

WCCG Update

Late Payment Claims – WCCG informed LMC a letter of notification that late claims for payment are likely to be only for three months in arrears will be sent to LMCs and practices shortly via NHS England.

Dementia Action Week – Practices were advised about an opportunity to be Dementia Friendly Practice(s), this would be launched as part of Dementia Action Week. A resource pack will be available shortly.

Interface with EMIS – Exploring the feasibility of information sharing via EMIS clinical system(s) and Concordia so that information is more timely.

GPFV – Fellowship application now approved, WCCG looking for practices to provide a one year placement. International Recruitment initiative has been revised resulting in fewer GPs being recruited via this route. Practice Manager support offer has been positively received, meeting with Practice Managers due to take place in June where the final offer will be agreed.

Improving Access – WCCG are pleased to confirm that all practice groups will be providing additional appointments 7 days of the week from 1 September 2018.

Next LMC Meeting

The next meeting of LMC is being held on Tuesday 26 June 2018 at 7.00 pm, hot buffet served from 6.30 pm, please inform LMC office in advance if you wish to attend.

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