Tameside and Glossop PCT

Tameside and Glossop Local Care Records Development Board Meeting

Held on

Monday 19th January 2009 at Thornley House Medical Centre Thornley Street, Hyde, Cheshire SK14 1JY

Mike Leigh	Chair, Non-Executive PCT Board Member
Colin Cohen	Head of Informatics, PCT
Dr Amir Hannan	GP Thornley House MC, PEC Information and Technology Lead
Tracey Dunkerley	PA to Head of Informatics, PCT
Elaine Richardson	Project Manager, ETD Project Manager
Lynda Lowe	Clinical Governance Manager
Richard Fitton	GP, Hadfield MC, Caldicott Guardian
Yvonne Bennet	Patient Representative, Thornley House MC
Sheila Caldecott	Patient, Thornley House Medical Centre
John Schooling	PCT
Dawn Seward	Go to Doc
Abdul Amin	Integrated Services PSO, Tameside MBC
In attendance:	Chris Land

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Dr Anne Rothery, Amir Saleem, Samei Huda, Tina Greenhough and Nasima Begum.

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.

It was agreed that Colin would write to Tameside MBC with regard to obtaining their agreement that the terms of reference and minutes are made available on the PCT internet site, and that Abdul would identify who that letter should be sent to.

Action : Abdul Amin/Colin Cohen

3. Matters Arising

4.2 Telehealth Project Proposal

Colin has spoken to Clinical Governance to try and find out if any work that has been carried out with regard to validating these sorts of systems. Richard Fitton will report at the next meeting with regard to this matter. Lynda Lowe reported that this proposal was on the agenda at the Long Term Conditions meeting, however due to the meeting having a large agenda it was deferred until the next meeting.

Action: Richard Fitton

4. Promoting Good Practice

4.1 Greater Manchester Strategy Review

Elaine Richardson attended the group today to give a presentation on the Greater Manchester Strategy Review and discussed the benefits and barriers of this strategy. The reason for the presentation was to seek support for the vision and to get people engaged. The group confirmed that it supports the vision.

4.2 Secure Transfer of Patient Data

4.3 Telehealth

It was noted that the PCT are keen to explore telehealth in areas such as care closer to home and integrated care. Colin reported that following discussion with the Greater Manchester Research Governance team it has been confirmed that the proposal cannot go ahead without formal ethical approval. Colin Cohen will follow this matter up with Tom Owen from Intel and Amir.

Action: Colin Cohen/Amir Hannan

4.4 Project Tiger – Interim Electronic Record

Project Tiger was discussed at the Commissioning And Market Management Executive Meeting and was approved in principle. Amir, Colin and Anne Rothery had attended the LMC Meeting to discuss the project and following a wide-ranging discussion of the benefits and issues, the committee voted in favour of exploring the project further. It was acknowledged that at present there are a number of issues to be resolved and further discussion should take place.

There is a workshop planned for 12.30 pm on Thursday 5th February at Hyde Town Hall to discuss the project further. The workshop will look at the risks / issues, discuss the phasing in of the different care settings, potential benefits, costs and look challenges to implementation. The South East Sector NPfIT Programme Board have given their support in principle.

4.5 Research Proposal – Manchester University

Amir brought this proposal to the attention of the group at the previous meeting. The proposal is to undertake research via interviews and focus groups. The Manchester Business School are very keen to get started however as this is not a formal clinical trial it is proving difficult to find funding for the proposal.

4.6 Potential Project 2009/10

It is anticipated that a budget of around £20,000 will be available to the LCRDB, however Project Tiger could use all of this budget. Richard has emailed to group to ask for funding to offer further practices training to offer patients records access and to employ a generic worker to extend coverage. A history of spend so far will be drafted to inform finance, along with a inventory of the proposed spend for this year. Mike asked all members of the group to bring any ideas that would require funding to the next meeting in order that Finance can be approached with regard to the budget required.

Action: All

5.1 NHS Care Records Service - Communicator

Yvonne and Amir sent through the presentation with regard to Communicator which is available on the Healthspace website. Salford PCT are using Communicator by uploading all information and managing patients with Diabetes online. Yvonne also reported that Healthspace has received an award for best website design.

5.2 Pharmacy Access

This matter was deferred to the next meeting for further discussion.

Deferred to next meeting

6. AOB

There were no other matters to be discussed.

7. Date of the next meeting: Monday 2nd March – 1.00 pm at Thornley House Medical Centre, Hyde.