Chair: Sands End Health Clinic, Managing Partner: Dr Jewels

Meeting Secretary: Sands End Health Clinic, Patient Experience Coordinator:

Lais Lopes (LL)

Managers: Carla Facio, Joanna Cowper

Participants: RB, JK, RH, CW, LV, TO, ME, PM, AA, SR, HG, BM, ZS

Items for discussion	Summary of discussion and Action points
1. Introduction	1.1 Lead Sands End Health Clinic GP, Dr Jewels (Chair)
	thanked everyone for attending this 2024 Practice
	Patient Group (PPG) meeting No1.
	1.2 Attendees comprised GP practice Lead (chair), 3
	other practice personnel and 13 patients who
	responded to the practice wide invitation to attend.
	Each introduced themselves in turn.
	1.3The PPG is a patient led group open to all patients.
	Up to 2023 there were one or 2 PPG meetings per
	year but CQC have determined there should be 4
	per calendar year from 2025.
	The last PPG was 2023/December. Today's is the """ 1000 1 PPG and the property of the pr
	first 2024 PPG and there will be one more in
	September.Each PPG will focus on one or 2 of the five CQC
	core areas: Safety; Effectiveness; Caring;
	Responsiveness; Well Led. Focus for today's
	2024/PPG Meeting No 1 CQC is <u>SAFETY</u> Dr
	Caroline Jewels gave a brief introduction about
	CQC, talked about how patients are informed
	about any risks and how to keep themselves
	safe. The questions to reflect are:
	I feel safe and am supported to understand and
	manage any risks.
	2. I know what to do and whom I can contact when I
	realize that things might be at risk of going wrong or my
	health condition may be worsening.
	3. I have considerate support delivered by competent
	people.
	Provided information regarding what training for the
	staff team happens during the recruitment process.

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Also as a training practice, all our GPs are trained to train and provide support. We take safeguarding for children and adults quite seriously and also provide training to meet confidentiality expectations accurately.

 The PPG should be a patient led group with the agenda set by the group so future PPG meetings be Chaired by a patient starting with 2024 PPG No 2 provisionally scheduled for September.
 SR volunteered to chair the next meeting and help organise the agenda.

Action Point: LL and SR to discuss 2024 PPG No2.- done

 The next meeting will cover CQC key point of Effectiveness. SR to organise the agenda and publish it on the newsletter.

Note: The LL/SR discussion held 22/05/24 and agreed the following:

- 1.3.1 2024 PPG Meeting No 2 will be held w/c 16/09/24. and will be subject to 2 weeks' notice.
- 1.3.2 From time to time but at least quarterly **the PPG**Chair will produce a PPG Newsletter and/or

 Bulletin, the first will be w/c 15/07/24 and will include new PPG arrangements and PPG re
 Launch.
- 1.3.3 2025 PPGs to be quarterly, January/April/June/October. Each will be subject to 2 weeks' notice.

2. Overview

- 2.1 Sands End Health Clinic is in the NHS/South Fulham Primary Care Network (PCN) that includes 6 further GP practices. (https://southfulhampcn.org.uk/)
- 2.2 The independent Care Quality Commission (CQC) monitors quality and performance of all NHS bodies including GP practices. (https://www.cqc.org.uk/)
- 2.3 CQC monitoring is multifaceted and includes PPG reviews and its biannual Healthwatch survey of GP practice patients.

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3. Safety, inc Privacy and Dignity: All PPG patients attending the meeting raised and discussed the following issues:

3.1 Reception Privacy.

- More than one patient attendee suggested the need to improve audio arrangements because patients are sometimes having to disclose personal information to receptionists that can be overheard by other patients.
- Chair said the glass screen could not be changed as it met required Security and Health & Safety requirements but agreed to buy and install suitable equipment as soon as it could be identified and asked the PPG for recommendations.

Action Point: SR to pursue for PPG and update through PPG Newsletter and/or specific Bulletin and/or PPG meeting. - done

 Chair said that in the meantime, reception can use the CCTV room to deal with private topics at patient's requests.

Action Point: LL to arrange appropriate reception signage for Reception Privacy conversations. - done

3.2 Continuity of Care.

- Many patient attendees said they would they would like continuity of care and see their own doctor.
- Chair explained that in order to maximise appointments it was necessary to operate the current 'shared' system. This is essential to cover circumstances such as last year when 5 GPs were on maternity leave and many locums clinics were necessary to maintain appointments available. Unfortunately, while seeing the same GP is preferable it isn't always possible.

Action Point: LL to provide GP practice service overview for July PPG Newsletter for patient awareness.

4. Any Other Business

4.1 Patient Test Results Notification.

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- Many patient attendees said they would like to know when their test results are ready and asked if the practice could text them.
- Chair explained how samples are processed. Since different tests take varying times to process if a patient has multiple tests sending individual test notifications could cause confusion on behalf of the patient. That's why patients are advised to wait 7 working days and contact the practice.
- Chair also explained that if Tests results indicated urgent notification was required, this was already done.
- Patients can also view all their results and hospital letters on the Patient Knows Best.

Action Point: LL to include Patient Knows Best, 7 day and urgent results for July PPG Newsletter.

4.2 Reception Experience

- One of the patient attendees expressed disappointment with a recent Reception experience.
 He'd asked a question Reception didn't know the answer to and didn't try to find out the answer.
- LL apologised for this experience and speculated it may have been a new team member. LL said she would raise the matter with the team.

Action Point: LL to use this patient responsiveness experience for coaching at the next team meeting. - done

4.3 Notices on Reception Screen.

 One of the patient attendees said that the reception screen looks very busy with the posters. and

Action Point: LL to review the use of the Reception Screen as a noticeboard and ensure not distracting or confusing. - done

4.4 **GP/Patient eye contact**

- One of the patient attendees said that doctors don't always make eye contact during consultation and are mostly on the computer.
- Another patient explained that it's important to the respective patient and overall efficiency that ALL the

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consultation details are immediately logged. the patients all consultation records are immediately logged. • The patients agreed that it's needed for the GP to look at the screen during consultations. 4.4 Healthwatch Survey There is just one week notice of a CQC/Healthwatch survey and features patients who happen to use the Clinic on the day. It was suggested PPG patients could also come in to help Healthwatch with their patient experience **Action Point: LL to contact PPG when survey** announced. - done 4.5 PPG (Newsletter See also item 1.3.2) The meeting agreed that a PPG Newsletter would be very useful in both keeping patients appraised of Sands End Health Clinic services/service changes as well as notifications of events such as the PPG meetings. Action Point: SR (the 2024 PPG No2 Chair) to coordinate PPG Newsletter production, first issue w/c July 2024 and to include items/Action points from this meeting at: 1.3.2; 3.1; 3.2; 4.1; 3.1- ongoing 5. Next PPG 5.12024 PPG Meeting No 2 will be held w/c 16/09/24. and will be subject to 2 weeks' notice. Meeting

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