



West Sussex Local Dental Committee

**Meeting to be held on:
Wednesday 20th November at 6.30 pm
at the Roundabout Hotel, West Chiltington**

Attendees: Toby Hancock TH, Agi Tarnowski AT, Matt Botha MB, Mark O'Hara MOH, Emmanuel Lazanakis EL, Sandra Creasey SC. Ashkan Pitchforth AP, Jo Clark, Mary Green MG, Kellie Downie KD, George Billis GB, Jaina Patel, Simon Quelch, Anitha Diwaker AD, AJ.

Apologies: Roz Walker RW, David Bryan DB, Stephen Walsh SW, Ellie Taylor ET, Jo Clark JC, Parul Patel PP, James Grant JG, Christine Hallworth CH

Welcome Guests:

Rob Lowe (Wesleyan Insurance)

Minutes of previous meeting agreed with no objections.

Summary

RL Wesleyan Insurance Presentation - Financial Planning, Pension and Investment Presentation

- Diversification of investments, property, cash, bonds, shares.
- Investment Risk Spectrum
- Collective Investment
- Pension Taxation
- Annual Allowance

PAG report (M O-H)

Performance Advisory Group Kent, Surrey, Sussex.

Looking at concerns, complaints that arise. . Most complaints are from patients that will go through the NHS. Less and less complaints from dentists.

The core principles are to safeguard the public. This should be a balanced and fair process. Historically the case has always been you are innocent until proven guilty but now this has turned on its head and you are guilty until you prove your innocence. It is open, transparent and there is always a right to appeal.

Conclusion is that Dentists must engage in the process. If Dentist does not engage then will be sent to PDLP.

Please see attached Presentation slide



PAG.pptx

PASS Scheme update and Peer review proposal (AT)



Peer PASS and Peer
Review.pptx

AT – Could LDC organize and fund a Peer Review location and speaker ?.

MG – BDA keen to interact with all dentists. Is happy to approach BDA to see if we can work together

MG – GUY Barwell will be president next year of Southern Counties BDA Branch

AJ – Peer review in his local area in the past worked very well was, Practice based and moved round – worked well. Was very practical.

George – Hands on is an important part of the PEER review.

No objections given to continue and develop the Peer Review proposal.

How PASS could help a practitioner in PAG (AT)

Is it useful to be completely confidential or is there a benefit to being non-confidential and for the case then be passed onto the PASS regulator? Let's discuss...

Kent believe the PASS scheme should be completely confidential, no interaction with PAG.

East Sussex believe the PASS scheme cases should have close dialogue with PAG.

MB – Signposted from PAG and would write the letter if there is no engagement then this would be extremely obvious from the start as there would be no letter.

AP – PAG have made the recommendation – there should be engagement and mistake should be acknowledged and there should be time to reflect. PAG could ask for references such as writing evidence to add weight to their defense such as the fact that they have reflected and are apologetic, also taking into consideration the fact that they are very willing to engage and put things right.

AJ – Similar process currently runs in the hospital although this does depend on the severity of the case.

Vote taken: -

Confidential – no votes.

Interact with PAG if referred - All the people in the room voted.

Conclusion that an engagement with PAG needed in referred cases, it is necessary from the start that it is clear to the practitioners involved.

Case Assisted (TH)

TH wrote to PDLP in support of GDP who was applying to performer number (a no wrong doing case) unfortunately the appeal was not successful.

BDA Charity Event – (M O-H)

M O-H - £5155 cost 80% attendance

MG – Overall a great night. Meal was good, venue was nice, hall looked really good. Disco was a bigger success than expected and people really enjoyed it. Photos to be shared on social media.

[Just giving page](#)

£530 (sweep stake and donations)

Financial Report:

Gala Dinner:

	Expenses	Income	Date paid
Room Hire, Food etc	-5155		28/09/2019
Wesleyan Burmadent Sponsorship		250	09/12/2019
Impulse Decisions Auction		345.82	16/11/2019
Christie		500	13/12/2019
BDA		5320	26/11/2019
Totals	-5155	6415.82	
Profit for Charity			1260.82

Net raised 1790.42 -

DCQAP – (AP)

[A lot of sub-contracting seems to be on-going.](#)

[Query raised - Can you sub-contract to a private practice? This has been asked. This is possible as long as the practice is compliant but it is based on provision.](#)

[Increase in complaints that relate to EDS. Limitations of EDS and patients' expectations are becoming extremely high.](#)

[NHS contract staff are very stretched and this may answer why some emails have not been replied to. They are not ignoring them - they are overwhelmed and do not have the capacity to answer them due to the demands being put on them.](#)

[DCQAP will be held in London in future.](#)

[AP – 124 practices did not respond to X-Mas opening times but after chasing there is an outstanding of 4.](#)

CPD Day 2020 (AT)

AT – If anyone has things that should be done, please email.

Workshops – There has been great feedback on these so workshops will definitely continue to be a major part of the CPD Day.

Surprising popular were COMPASS and NHS England, REGO also very popular.

MB – Workshops on Cross-infection and similar should also be included as the workshops are a great way to share and educate on these areas.

AP- core subjects requested.

Elections

Toby – Voting has come around again so be prepared.

NHS England South / Dental Advisor Update (MB, AP & SQ)

Lecturer from CQC

Secretary's and MCN/LDN Reports

AT Report to be provided

AD - Oral Health improvement – demand for further training. – Report to be added

AT - Special care under procurement

RD MCN 6/11/19

DERS FOCUS GROUP highlighting problems on referral pathways

CPD day agreed with HEE large conference style event

DCby1 Update :

The numbers of preschool children in KSS has risen from 55, 097.

53,227 in 2017

55097 in 2018

58324 in 2019

<http://digital.nhs.uk/catalogue/PUB30069>

Pooled comments submitted to Health and Social Care Committee inquiry published

<https://www.parliament.uk/business/committees/committees-a-z/commons-select/health-and-social-care-committee/inquiries/parliament-2017/dentistry-services-inquiry-17-19/publications/>

Developing Early years Project

Developing Newsletter

LDN 7/11/19

The MCN's updated on work ongoing specifically on

Increase access to GDS for targeted groups;

Quality standards/ quality improvement process

Improve access to unscheduled care

Improve oral health in vulnerable older people

Improve public understanding/access of NHS Services

Engage and partner with patients in the planning, design and delivery

Process of tier 2 accreditation was discussed but this still needs some clarification
HEE has ADC event planned for input on 3/12/19

SCD& P MCN 13/11/19

- DER's Focus group
- reduction in referrals in some sites across the patch
- Issues raised direct with Vantage info to practitioners on guidance
- Admin issues from refers side
- Ability to refer on
- sedation guidance implementation
 - MIH pathway suggestion of implementing BDJ published pathway from Interceptive extractions for first permanent molars: a clinical protocol
Paul Ashley and Joe Noar Br Dent J. 2019 Aug;227(3):192-195. doi: 10.1038/s41415-019-0561-7.
 - Tier 2 accreditation looks likely to be needed for all over 3yaers
 - PR forms causing difficulties as carers unwilling to sign due to consent issues
 - SCD&P Study day agreed by HEE Sept 2020

Procurement

Treasurer's Report (MB)

MB - Last year's accounts have been filed. £980 less than we received. We had not donated as much money as we have done in previous years so last year we donated more to catch up and match the previous years.

This year has been good, in the black. Gala dinner was more successful than anticipated and we made a good profit.

GDPC 4th October (TH)

Report on website.

6.8% payrise this is backdated to April 2019. Recruitment crisis on-going – due to underfunding.

CHANNEL (EL)

AT& EL attended – report on website

LDC Conference (TH)

In Brighton – encouraged to send young associates to attend.

Any Other Business

N/A

DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETINGS

All meetings will be held at the Roundabout Hotel, West Chiltonington

Provisional Dates 2020

Wednesday 12th Feb 2020

Wednesday 22nd April 2020

Wednesday 17th June 2020

Wednesday 16th September 2020

AGM and CPD day November 2020 date TBC