



West Sussex Local Dental Committee
Meeting to be held on: Wednesday 15th April 2020 at 6.30 pm
Video conference AGENDA

<u>West Sussex LDC</u> Toby Hancock Emmanuel Lazanakis Mark O'Hara Matt Botha Ashkan Pitchforth George Billis Simon Quelch Parul Patel Kellie Downie Anitha Diwakar Christine Hallworth Jane Harris Sandra Da Silva-Creasey	<u>Guests</u> Paul Cassar Jo Clarke Stephen Walsh AJ Raj-Chaudhuri Eli Taylor Rahul Gupta Athena Papadimitriou Sachin Anand Sam Wright Mariam Shahid Ruth Perkins Ajitha Rahim Dipa Shah John Reed <u>Apologies</u> Ros Walker <i>some individuals who registered were not able to access Zoom meeting due to meeting ID error</i>
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Agenda item	Presented by	Document	Comments	Actions
2020 elections (followed by officer elections) - Zoom Polls	TH	 NOMINATION TO BECOME A MEMBER	New Committee Announced Zoom Poll AT was nominated as Chair by TH and this was seconded by PP, the vote for the new chair and TH as Vice Chair was unanimous	TH stepped down as Chair but will continue to shadow new Chair.. AT Chair TH Vice Chair MB continues as Treasurer

			MB was nominated as Treasurer by TH, seconded by AT MO'H was nominated by AT and seconded by TH No objections were raised	MO'H Secretary role
• Urgent Dental Care Centres • Locations, workforce & volunteering • SOP	AT	 West Sussex LDC Meeting.pptx  Staying safe poster.pdf	AT – DERS will enable this to directed to local to dental NHS hubs. More triaging needed than face to face. Voluntary help sought – some areas less of a return than others so in the future NHS England will have a look at this. Urgent dental care hub will be staffed with their own personnel initially AT – Urgent Care has limits and Orthodontists are dealing with certain jobs themselves. SW – Is there a timeline for hubs? Lots of walk-ins @ MFU and not sure where to direct them at times yet. PP – The shielded and vulnerable need urgent care. Out of hours has started and we are now seeing patients. EL– we are having testing done this weekend so hopefully next week we can start. SW – not everyone will pass their fit test first time, usually 75% fit and then the others will have to be ordered in. PP – Mask elastics are snapping, check labels as the date is 2019 but below these are other labels which are 2014. Not ideal. SW – The problem is training on how to take off PPE is the big challenge. TH – Taking off PPE and then putting it on again is taking a horrendous amount of time and having the mindset of taking everything off correctly at the end is completely exhausting. Using full PPE apart from the hat. Currently putting on PPE in a clean room.	AT to circulate pathway when available, email was discussed as the best way currently

			SOP EL – Went through the SOP Standard Operating Procedure. 1 st Wave has taken a long time to set up – even this will mean we will only cope with 18 patients per day during maximum demand.	
Premises- plan for implementation	EL		EL discussed how practice can prepare to be a UDC site.	
Pharmacy	MO	 Remote Prescribing Advice for Primary care	MO'H – Pharmacies will be getting their paper prescription ready within 72hours of being issued. Send prescriptions in the post 1 st class as Royal Mail are only working alternate days.	Sussex list of pharmacies available on request from LDC but not for web site /public domain
Personal reflections for learning from urgent care delivery	TH, PP	 Urgent Dental Centre - EDS.docx	SA – Minimise procedures – have we thought of the repercussions of taking teeth out. PP - There isn't a Covid19 consent form – there must be a risk consent form for everyone. JC – Small number that fall into urgent care. AP – If you are an Urgent Care Hub ensure you have the legal Indemnity Insurance in place. MB – Everyone should stay calm and look at the evidence. AP – Getting back to normality will be important but only time will tell. AT – The British Endodontic Society have put together advice regarding tooth extraction and have stipulated that the tooth must be viable to be saved.	
Financial Impact for discussion - BDA Advice Can we develop a Check list of what should have been done by now and needs for future? - for practices - for associates Mitigation & alternatives	TH AP	 Coronavirus key questions being ask write to MP via BDA https://bda.eaction.org.uk/safetynet	TH – NHS is making it quite clear but there is no extra funding and they don't want to see dentists furloughing. NHS dentists are required to volunteer. Private dentists are a different story of course. AP – Very difficult to plan as we don't know when this will end. Associates should approach the NHS and ask to be taken on which means that they will at least have income and security. Business owners can get an interruption loan and receive a grant. Practice owners should try and help as many associates as much as they can. EL – You can create a fund from the NHS money to remunerate your NHS and private Associates.	AP-Request to create e checklist for Practice Owners. Toby and Agi to complete checklists for associates Agi – Write to your MP's and encourage your staff to do this too. See link attached. Agi – ongoing work with BDA.

			KB – Congratulations to Emmanuel on setting up the urgent centre.	
<u>Supporting practitioners, signposting to:</u> BDA PHP DHST LOCALLY • PASS? • Peer Review? • More regular virtual meetings?		BDA https://bda.org/advice/Coronavirus/Pages/latest-updates.aspx BDA member's Health Assured: 24hr helpline https://bda.org/advice/Pages/Health-Assured.aspx NHS Practitioner Health Program The Practitioner Health Programme/GP Health Service is a confidential, self-referral NHS service for doctors and dentists with mental illness and addiction problems https://php.nhs.uk/ 02030494505 Dentists Health Support Trust helps dentists with Mental Health and Addiction problems. http://dentistshealthsupporttrust.org/ Helpline number 020 7224 4671 Confidential (Emotional First Aid for Dentists) tel:03339875158 BDA Benevolent fund financial support for dental students, dentists, and their dependents on a individual basis tailored to needs.	KB – Congratulations to Emmanuel on setting up the urgent centre. AT– Lots of great resources on BDA website. AT– BDA has been the best way to keep me updated. We will put up all the links on the website so that people are aware there is help there for them. AT – Do we want to develop peer support? Also, Virtual meetings, I believe this one is working well so do you think this will work well in the future and do you want to have monthly meetings instead of bi-monthly to support each other? proposed monthly meetings from now on, no objections	AT – Monthly meetings agreed to, dates TBA. investigate options to develop peer support.

		https://www.bdabenevolentfund.org.uk/contact-us/ 020 7486 4994		
Communications Current actions future	AT, MO, EL	Zoom poll 5. preferred methods	PP – Communication is via email generally. Local providers email accounts have been obtained due to Covid19 but not performers RG – Would prefer email communication. AP – Waiting for official release from NHS England. March 2019 schedule AT– Answer phone should have an alternative number for patients to reach a person. Parul – Re-iterate that around 120 calls came into the centre yesterday suggesting that GDP's are not answering the calls due to many reasons, so patients are unable to get through. Will call if this continues and email those GDP's to give guidance and ask how they are.	Consensus is that email would be the best communication. MB – Important that all practices do their bit and stay open to give their patients advice.
Dental Advisors Updates	MB,SQ,AP		SQ, MB and AP – Communications with NHS England have gone well. Virtual meetings – organising PPE to different centres. Complaints have been put on hold PAGS have been suspended as well.	AP – Waiting for official release from NHS England. March 2019 schedule.
Reports if any from LDN, RD MCN SCD&P MCN OH Imp UDC MCN OS MCN Rest. MCN	AT, TH PP, AT PP TH MB MO		main work is setting up UDC, pathway to be shared when available.	
DQAP	AP		AP - DQAP hit on the head – last DQAP was in January.	
PAG	MO		Complaints have been put on hold PAGS have been suspended as well.	
PASS	AD, AT			
Treasurer Report. Year 2019-2020	MB	verbal update	EL- Levy collection – Fantastic Collection. Books are balanced for this year. Things are tight for the	

Channel funding Levi collection			funds. Need to look at levies in the next year and might have to have an increase.	
• GDPC	TH, AT	 GDPC Meeting Videoconference - 3	Topic is Covid19. TH updated on work of GDPC and BDA.	
• Channel meetings 26/3, 2/4, 9/4,	EL, AT	verbal update	EL new char of the RLG, Channel Group – weekly meetings currently	MO to join Channel as new secretary for WSLDC
• AOB				
Date of next meeting	TBC Virtual		AT – Monthly meetings agreed to, dates TBA.	