# PPG Meeting minutes

Date of meeting	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> March 2023
Time of meeting	12.30pm
	Dr Reena, Kamaljeet, Sravya, Modesta, Edward
	Amusan, Eduard Gomaromi, Muniba Naeem, Annata
	Paul, Amardeep Singh, Victoria Grainger, Saddia
	Saba, Sebastian James, Edward Griffith, Nyugab Nora
Attendees	Linwe, Ebrahim Kordrostami.
Apologies	
Staff member taking minutes	Modesta

A patient participation group (PPG) is a group of people who are patients of the surgery and want to help it work as well as it can for patients, doctors and staff.

Agenda Item	Discussion	Actions	Person Responsible	Date to be achieved by
Matters				
Arising from				
last meeting				
(date)				
New surgery	We are hoping to move in	Patients	PM	On going
location	The new location will be on Barking Road	informed of a		
	The name of the building is Hartley Medical Centre	new surgery		
	Our individual surgery name has not been finalised	location		
	There is another GP surgery that will be moving in with us but will run separately.			
	PPG member Vicky visited the surgery in February with a concern of a new surgery	Send letter to		
	location.	PPG	Modesta	March 2023
	The information letter Vicky created will be sent to PPG members along with minutes.	members		

CQC report	Care Quality Commission:	Report can	PM	Completed
-	Independent body that rates the performance, service and patient care that a GP practice provides.	be found on the surgery website		January 2023
	First inspection was in May 2022	Website		
	Report stated that we were inadequate and that we are under special measures Updated report was in July 2022			
	The rating was not changed but the practice is improving Latest inspection was in January 2023, report came back as GOOD			
Chairperson	Practice would like to elect a chairperson:	PPG	PPG members	On going
	The main role of the Chair is to manage your group meetings and make sure they run smoothly and fairly.	members inform		
	Chairperson role information will be on our Practice Website under PPG and will be sent via email	surgery by email if they		
	To nominate yourself please email us on <a href="mailto:newccg.lathom.patients@nhs.net">newccg.lathom.patients@nhs.net</a>	would like to		
	If the Practice receives more than one nomination, an election will take place.	be a chairperson.		
	Members who would like be a chairperson:	To take	PPG Members	June 2023
	SABA, Saddia Nyugab Nora Linwe.	nomination until end of		
	Try ugus Trota Em we.	March and		
		hold an		
		election(If		
		multiple nominations)		

Phlebotomy  Enhanced Service Access	Email has been sent to all PPG members with an update regarding blood test waiting time.  Urgent- on the day or next day only. This has been confirmed with the phlebotomy department.  Normal routine appointment 1 week wait time.  If patient cannot get an appointment with the GP, they can call enhanced service to get an appointment. They provide Doctors, HCAs, nurses and pharmacists appointments. Number 02075409949  Shrewsbury health Centre  All details can be found on the website.  Messages has been sent to patients with all the information.	Email has been sent to PPG members  Please share information with friends and family. To be shared on our website too.	Modesta  APM/Modesta	Completed December 2023 On going
This meeting's agenda items				
(date)				
Practice vision and values	New PPG members joined.  PRACTICE VISION To be committed to provide the highest standard of care for our patients in a safe, responsive and caring manner.  PRACTICE VALUES: Provide Quality and Helpful care Be committed to our patients' needs Work together to achieve success Act with Respect and Integrity Be Compassionate and Fair Take Ownership and Accountability Innovate to make a difference	Ongoing, work.	All staff	On going

What is PPG	Patient Participation Group The group is made up of: GP practice patients (aged 16 and over) Carers of registered patients Members of the GP practice staff The aim of this group is to influence the way services are delivered by the practice. At the moment practice have 28 people who are interesting in joining PPG			
Roles and responsibilities for joining PPG	<ul> <li>What PPG members do:</li> <li>Review patients' surveys and feedback.</li> <li>Listen to patients' stories and views.</li> <li>Explore ideas and suggestions on how to improve patients' experiences in the GP Practice.</li> <li>Discuss with GP Practice staff and agree on an action plan for service improvements.</li> <li>Monitor the implementation of the service improvement action plan.</li> <li>What PPG members not do: <ul> <li>A PPG meeting is not a forum to raise individual complaints.</li> <li>A PPG meeting is not a forum to seek medical advice</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Speak up if improvement needed  Do not discuss any personal issues in the meeting	PPG members	On going
What happens at PPG meeting	The meeting is managed by the Chairperson or Practice Manager. Held every quarter The meeting follows an agenda that can look similar to this:  1. Welcome and introductions 2. Minutes and actions arising from the last meeting 3. Updates from GP practice staff 4. Other agenda items 5. Patients' feedback, suggestions and comments			On going

	6. Date of the next meeting The meetings usually lasts around an hour.			
Website	Health awareness and all updates can be found on the surgery website.  Any information and workshops about community will be updated on the website.	Update website	Modesta	On going
New staff members	Since last meeting we had, new staff members joined the surgery team.  Jaya Karsan- receptionist Sravya Anilkumar – Assistant practice manager.			
Calls	We monitor the calls, to see if we are improving our service.  Please see the breakdown below for the last 2 months.	Monitor calls	PM	On going

	January 2023						
	Inbound overview for the last 30 d	lays					
	Inbound Calls	Answered	% Answered	Missed			
	5,427	3,229	59.5%	1,295			
	% Missed	Abandoned	% Abandoned				
	23.9%	903	16.6%				
	February 2023						
	Inbound overview for the last 30 d	ays					
	Inbound Calls	Answered	% Answered	Missed			
	4,988	3,336	66.9%	720			
	% Missed	Abandoned	% Abandoned				
	14.4%	932	18.7%				
Community	Sign posting patients to				Reception	APM/Modesta	Completed
pharmacy referrals	appointments. Please signarmacists.	ee the list below for the	ne illnesses covered by	community	can make a referral.		(See Appendix 3)
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					to be made		
					available on		

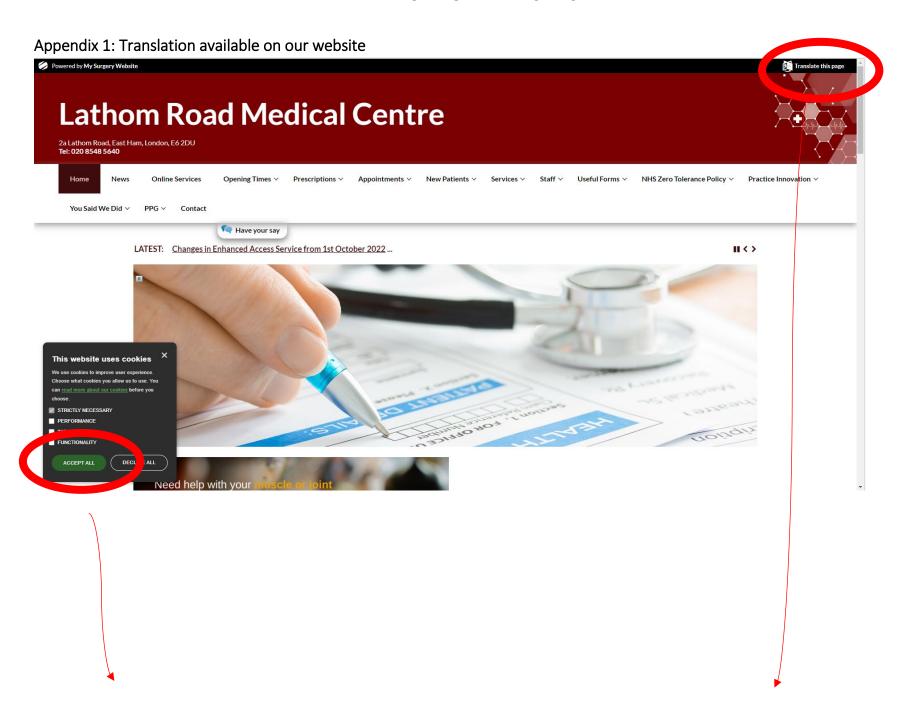
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	Acne, spots and pimples	Lower limb pain or swelling		
	Allergic reaction	Mouth ulcers		
	Ankle or foot pain or swelling	Nasal congestion		
	Athlete's foot	<ul> <li>Pain and/or frequency passing urine</li> </ul>		
	Bites or stings, insect or spider	Rectal pain		
	Blisters	Scabies		
	Constipation	<ul> <li>Scratches and grazes</li> </ul>		
	• Cough	<ul> <li>Sinusitis</li> </ul>		
	Cold and 'flu	Shoulder pain		
	Diarrhoea	Skin, rash		
	Ear discharge or ear wax	Sleep difficulties		
	Earache	Sore throat		
	Eye, red or irritable	Teething		
	Eye, sticky or watery	Tiredness		
	Eyelid problems	Toe pain or swelling		
	Hair loss	Vaginal discharge		
	Headache	<ul> <li>Vaginal itch or soreness</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Hearing problems or blocked ear</li> </ul>	Vomiting		
	Hip, thigh or buttock pain or swelling	<ul> <li>Wound problems – management of</li> </ul>		
	itch	dressings		
	Knee or lower leg pain	Wrist, hand or finger pain or		
	Lower back pain	swelling.		

Self-booking	Offering patients to book appointments for immunisations and smears. Set appointments for the nurse has been created. Messages with the link will be sent to the patients where they can book the appointments through their smartphones.  Self-booking appointments for HCA will start from April for asthma diabetes, hypertension.	Book appointments online	Patients	On going
Patient feedback	January we received: 5 Friend and family survey — all positive 9 patient feedback - all positive  February we received: 10 family and friends — 7 positive and 3 neither likely nor unlikely. 11 patient feedback — all positive  We want to encourage more people to complete the forms so we can improve the service.	Ask patients to complete feedback forms	All staff / patients	On going
Feedback from PPG members	Personal data handling  Eduard: Reception staff asking personal information in front of other patients. Other patients can hear the information, which should be confidential.  Nora suggested to create a form and give it to the patients when they arrive to provide personal information.  PM: Will address the issue straight away to the staff. Patients come from different countries, which makes it difficult to understand, and some patients cannot speak or write English.  Relocation	Reception staff to ask provide details on paper  Reception to not repeat the details out loud	PM/ all staff	On going
	Victoria: The new surgery location will be too far for people who live in Burges Estate. There are no buses in the estate, to get to the new practice will be costly or people have to walk for 25-30min. Notes have been done by Victoria which will go out to all PPG members.		Modesta	March 2023

Dr Reena: Due to pandemic the move has been extended. There will be another GP surgery in the same building. They have not given the go ahead yet, but it should be imminent. This building is in conjunction with health and social care space, which is assessed by the Newham Council. Perhaps I could suggest we speak with the Council about increasing access to the Burgess Estate as there will not be any practice left in the area. I can take this back to our ICB (Integrated Care board) and social space, that this is a major concern that will affect our move and will affect patient access.  We are running out of space as we have more staff working in the practice, the waiting room is too small as we have many patients.  PM: It is also a matter of staff safety.  Dr Reena: I, as a partner, is responsible for the safety of my staff is safe as well. When locking up the surgery in the evening, it is dangerous; people are using the alleyway to consume drugs and drinks. It has been reported to the police many times, but no actions have taken place.  Amardeep: Consider opening another site, so we have two sites.  Dr Reena: Had two sites previously but it was too difficult to maintain both, which is why they were combined. Integrated care board wouldn't go with that because they're actually trying to minimize the number of buildings to reduce running costs.  LGBTO+  Eduard: Practice should care more about LGBT community. There are different ways of caring for them, such as prep appointments, monkey Pox appointment, doctors or nurses that are aware of the issues.  PM: Will take note, we had staff completing the course about LGBT. There are information on practice website as well.	Document will be sent with minutes to all PPG members	PM	On going
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			On going

Pharmacy referrals/social prescribers		All staff	
Naeem: Patients do not like paying for their prescriptions. When referring patient inform them they might have to get a medication over the counter.  Dr Reena: With the restrictions and the debt that the NHS is on, we cannot really afford to keep giving out medications, which are for short-term illnesses, which are readily available over the counter when there are not enough funds for like cancer treatment.  Nora: GP practice should consider patients who are on benefits or struggling with money.  PM: We have a social prescribers working in the surgery, so any patient struggling with money, food or other issues can be supported by social prescribers.  Dr Reena: GP needs to promote social prescribing more so patients can have an understanding what they do and what support they can get.	Inform patients of paying for over the counter medication at pharmacy	PM	March 2023 – Completed (See Appendix 2)
Languages  Saddia: Options of choosing different language.  Pm: We have translated registration forms in different language for people to understand. Forms are also available in Romanian, Urdu, Bengali and Hindi. Patients can choose different language on the website.	Promote social prescribers to patients	APM/Modesta	Completed(See Appendix 1)
<ul> <li>Feedback</li> <li>Saddia: Suggestion to make a simple form for patients to complete after appointment.</li> <li>PM: we have a very simple form to complete, but patients do not like completing or do not fully fill in the form. In the future, we should look into translating the forms in different languages.</li> <li>Saddia: Maybe sending messages to patients to complete the feedback forms.</li> <li>PM: After appointments, we send messages to patients to get feedback.</li> </ul>	To check if translation is available		On going

<u>Interpreter</u>		Patients	On going
<b>Sebastian</b> : GP to provide translator to help patients who cannot speak fluent English. <b>PM</b> : Practice has language line in service that can help with interpretation. When patients book appointment or come in to the surgery for other reasons, they can request for the interpreter, which will be provided.	Request interpreter if required		
Next meeting: June 2023			

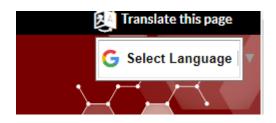






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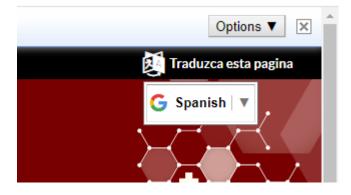
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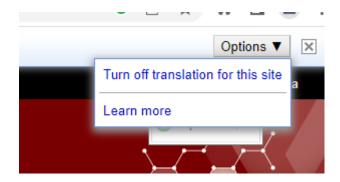
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### Appendix 2: Social prescribing service



Social prescribing



The above poster is available under the clinics and services section on our website.

# Appendix 3: Community Pharmacy Consultation service



The NHS Community Pharmacist Consultation Service (CPCS) is a national Advanced Service to refer patients requiring low acuity advice and treatment to community pharmacies.

The service aims to reduce pressure on the primary and urgent care system, particularly Accident and Emergency and GP out of hours.

Referral to the service can be made by our surgery staff.

Please see the file below for the illnesses covered by the service.



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