



Cleveland Local Medical Committee

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Brief note of the Annual Open Meeting of the Cleveland Local Medical Committee commencing at 7.00 p.m. on Tuesday, 11 March 2014 at The Maureen Taylor Conference Suite, Stockton Riverside College, Stockton TS17 6FB.

Present:	Dr I Bonavia (Chairman)	Dr S H M Arifulla	Dr W J Beeby
	Dr J-A Birch	Dr J T Canning	Mrs V Counter
	Dr R Craven	Dr L Dobson	Dr H El-Sherif
	Dr K Ellenger	Dr R Gossow	Dr M Hazarika
	Dr E Mansoor	Dr R McMahon	Mrs C Milburn
	Dr N Miller	Dr H Murray	Dr T Nadah
	Dr B Posmyk	Dr R Roberts	Dr S Selvan
	Dr P Singh	Dr R Singh	Dr M Speight
	Dr O Taiwo	Dr H Waters	Dr D White
	Dr C Wilson	Dr S Williams	

In attendance: Ms J Foster : Development Manager
Mrs C A Knifton : Office Manager

ANNUAL OPEN MEETING

The Chairman formally opened the meeting and welcomed members and guests to the Annual Open Meeting. The Secretary was invited to speak to the meeting on the current medico-political climate and gave a PowerPoint presentation (copy attached) on which he gave an overview of the current situation. Questions were sought at the end of the presentation together with suggestions for motions to the forthcoming LMC Annual Conference.

The Area Team should have arrangements in place from October, to provide a service for those patients living in the area but registered with a doctor outside of the area, however, concern was expressed that the Area Team may not be able to provide the service and may not be able to find doctors willing to provide the service.

APMS practices and walk-in centres were currently having their contracts reviewed. The walk-in centres came under CCGs, and practices with registered lists came under Area Teams.

Suggestions for motions included:

- Stability
- Initiatives require assessment
- Funding for training junior doctors
- Funding to facilitate GPs becoming GP trainers and opening more training practices
- Funding for occupational health service for GPs

The meeting concluded at 8.00 p.m. and non-Committee GPs were invited to remain for the Committee Meetings which followed the Open Meeting; only Dr Dobson remained as he was speaking on an item at one of the following meetings.