

MARYSVILLE MEDICAL PRACTICE PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP MINUTES

MEETING HELD THURSDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2013 AT MARYSVILLE PRACTICE

Present:

Chairman - Graham Spencer

PPG Members - Roy Hope; Jay Mitchell; Val Thompson; Viv Botfield

In Attendance - Christine Fenwick (Practice Manager); Heather Wills (Comm Care Co-ord)

Apologies - James Brathwaite

1. New /Potential Group Members

Derick Goring, Jen Hall and Neville Woods were in attendance. Their brief being to investigate what PPG was all about and to see if it was something they would like to be involved with. All were welcomed by GS and thanked for their interest and time. Derick, Jen and Neville were brought up to speed as to

- Background of the PPG and its reason for being
- Recent events and information produced by PPG
- Project ideas going forward

2. PPG Funding

It was confirmed that a small amount of money was available for PPG use but generally the only funding that would become available would be raised from fund raising events. CF confirmed the practice would not have any objections to such events being held but it was not part of their expectations of the PPG

3. Marysville Walking for Health

As previously agreed the WFH poster and leaflets were produced to coincide with the commencement of the surgery flu-clinics. PPG members all confirmed their attendance at the clinics to advertise/ communicate WFH. It was reported there had been a mixed response to this initiative from individuals' thinking it was a good idea through to difficulties in attending on a week day (it was acknowledged the walk days at this stage could not be altered). JM & VJB confirmed their attendance on 5 November walk and reported that no other Marysville patients attended. It was agreed that further communication of the initiative was needed to reach a wider audience. VJB to write-up and email a WFH advertising piece for inclusion in various news-letters VT and JH have access to. In addition further supplies of the WFH leaflets were taken for general distribution. Meanwhile the walks will continue the first and third Tuesday morning of the month

4. Health Talks / Demonstrations

It was agreed to move forward with the organisation of the 'health talks' initiative. Final decisions on the topics / timings are yet to be agreed but initial discussions were around the possibility of a one hour talk covering nutrition taking place in February on a Wednesday or Thursday pm. JH advised she will speak with her nutritionist colleague to see if this is something she would be willing to undertake and if so her preferred dates. DG advised of a GP friend who may also agree to undertake a talk and would investigate this option

5. Tele -Dermatology

CF advised the practice had signed up to this new initiative. The basis of this being; Marysville surgery taking photographs of a patient's offending area, photographs then being sent via technology to a specialist in Oxford for diagnosis and confirmation of treatment type. The aim of the practice is too eventually take on the administering of the advised medical treatment making a one-stop-shop for patients

6. Compassionate Communities (Coco)

HW confirmed she would be making contact with Paul Cronin (Coco co-ordinator) with a view to him speaking with PPG members during January

7. Men's Health

RH advised after again following up he had still not received a response from Asda requesting permission to use extracts from the article for future PPG use. No further action

8. Call To Action Conference

GS advised of this initiative on 25 November. The event being run by the Clinical Commissioning Group to investigate what we as patients want from the service, problems, issues etc. CF advised that Marysville issues would be emailed to CCG separately but mainly were about divesting more services to GP surgeries where possible. GS and VJB to feedback to PPG members' outcomes at next the next meeting

9. Flip Chart Easel

It was confirmed the easel has been purchased and can be used for promoting PPG initiatives

Next Meeting

Thursday 12 December 2:00pm Marysville Practice

Actions:

- **VJB** : To write-up and email VT & JH with a WFH advertising piece
- **VT & JH** : To arrange for the WFH initiative to be included in news letters
- **All** : General distribution of WFH leaflets

- **JH** : To investigate with colleague re a nutritional health talk & preferred dates
- **DG** : To speak with GP contact re health talk initiative
- **HW** : To invite Paul Cronin to a future meeting
- **GS & VJB** : To attend Call for Action Conference and feedback to PPG members
- **VJB** : Write up and distribute minutes

Actions / Comments for future reference

- **All:** Prescriptions / test results issue for practice (JP)
- **All:** Cycling for Health
- **All:** Quarterly health awareness sessions