Minutes of the Patient Participation Group Meeting  
16th April 2013

Present:
Lesley Wilson  Practice Manager
Clare Furey   Administration Supervisor
Marjorie Robinson  Patient
Sheila Brown   Patient
Gaynor Mitchell  Patient
Eveline Robbie  Patient
Dave Harris   Patient
Tim Wright   Patient

Apologies:
Florence Gunn   Nurse Practitioner

- Minutes of last PPG meeting discussed. LW explained the problems with telephone messages and also what happens when patients use the 111 number. **Agreed that 111 number should be put onto the website.**

- CCG PPG Locality meeting feedback given by GM and SB. GM received a reply from Gloria Middleton regarding the list of questions she had put forward at the meeting (has been e-mailed to all PPG members). For future locality meetings group to agree on any questions they wish to put forward. SB has received an e-mail with Terms of Reference, Plan on a Page etc from Julie Whitehouse, Patient Experience Officer which she will forward to CF so that it can be forwarded to the rest of the PPG. The next West Locality meeting is on 23rd April from 10.30 – 12.20 at Pallion Health Centre.

- Summary Care Record System discussed. LW advised that our practice computer system can not link to the site at the moment and will inform the group if there are any changes.

- Practice Newsletter and website discussed. Newsletters are on the website from 2012 CF to check whether newsletters from 2011 are still on computer and if so will arrange to have them put onto website. GM has written article regarding the Carer’s Centre to be put into next issue of the newsletter and include link to Carers Centre’s website. GM asked what the practice can do to help patients with learning disabilities – advised Hazel Taylor has a learning disability/mental health clinic and CF has designed easy to understand healthy living information leaflets which are given to the patients when they attend the clinics. GM had a meeting with Rachel Senior Social Worker CHS to discuss special arrangements for adults with LD on admission to hospital. CF given notes of meeting. **GM to get further information and CF will design leaflet advising LD patients of procedure for admission.**
Other topics for newsletter to include advice as to where information can be obtained and what we already actually offer in the practice.

In future the PPG Report is to be done in consultation with the PPG. TW advised that there are parts of the report which are incorrect – **TW to discuss with LW**

It was agreed that the website is set out better now and LW suggested that **Wendy Johnson, IT Manager be asked to attend a meeting to discuss the website further.**

- **Practice Update.** LW advised that Mondays open access had become very busy and she is in the process of amending clinicians hours and has increased the amount of slots available.

- **Patient Questionnaire.** The clinicians are to be advised of the various comments from the patients. **The results of the questionnaire are to be published on the website.**

- **Future meetings.** It was agreed that future meetings should be on the last Tuesday of the month from 6-7pm, the next one being **25th June. Following dates are: 27th August, 29th October.**
MINUTES OF THE PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP MEETING
25TH JUNE 2013

PRESENT

Lesley Wilson Practice Manager
Clare Furey Administration Supervisor
Florence Gunn Nurse Practitioner
Tim Wright Patient
Gaynor Mitchell Patient
Eveline Robbie Patient

APOLOGIES

Marjorie Robinson

- Minutes of last meeting discussed and agreed.

MATTERS ARISING

- Website would be updated to include 111 information.
- The IT manager is dealing with uploading the Newsletters – there are problems uploading the front page.
- Voicemail message needs to be updated by the network who are at present having problems updating it.
- PPG report is future will be discussed with the group before being submitted. Agreed that this would be at the January 2014 meeting.
- LW – practice is open to suggestions re virtual PPG which may attract younger members.
- Patient survey results are to be added to website. The clinicians are aware of the results of the survey.
- Patient survey action plan to be passed to PPG members.

LEARNING DISABILITIES

- GM updated on her meetings with Ashley Taylor from the Hospital Liaison Service for People with Learning Disabilities and meeting with CF. CF informed group of a selection of easily understandable information booklets that the practice have developed to assist patients with learning disabilities. The clinicians in the practice have all been informed of the Liaison service and a leaflet explaining the role of the Liaison service and how to contact them, will be given to the patient/carer when they are referred to the hospital.
- FG advised there are plans to have similar system for people with Dementia who are going into hospital.
CCG, PPG LOCALITY MEETINGS.

- Nobody from the group attended. GM was sent minutes which she will pass to CF to e-mail to the group. Hazel Taylor, Nurse Practitioner at the practice is attending the locality meeting at Silksworth on 26.6.13. If anyone has any points that they want to be taken to the next CCG/PPG meeting to be passed to GM. SB.

PRACTICE UPDATE.

- There has been a lot of disruption in the practice due to the computer system upgrade as well problems caused by the hospital computer system being upgraded.
- Online access for patients to book appointment is available in the practice and online ordering of repeat prescriptions is being developed.
- The recent problem with the self check in was caused by the computer system upgrade.
- The CCG are promoting a survey with GP practices on A&E visits which will hopefully identify trends enabling practices to make improvements in appointment types and referrals being made within primary care rather than being referred to A&E. The pathway for this is being developed by consultants and GPs.
- The practice will be offering two new vaccines – Rotavirus for babies aged 2 month and 3 month only. Shingles vaccine for 70 year olds and 79 year olds only.
- GM asked whether, if a patient felt they needed a referral and was seen by a senior GP who refused as he felt it unnecessary and the patient then went to a different GP in the practice the patient would automatically be refused a referral. FG and LW advised that each GP makes their own clinical decision and would not be influenced by the decision of the senior GP.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING – August 27th 2013  6.00pm – 7.00pm
MINUTES OF THE PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP
MEETING
27TH AUGUST 2013

APOLOGIES: Lesley Wilson, Practice Manager
Gaynor Mitchell, Patient

PRESENT: Clare Furey, Administration Supervisor
Florence Gunn, Nurse Practitioner
Sheila Brown, Patient
Eveline Robbie, Patient
David Harris, Patient
Tim Wright, Patient

- Minutes of last meeting agreed correct.
- Patient survey result details are now on the website.
- Patient Survey – Action Plan is being dealt with by Lesley Wilson.
- 111 information is on the website under practice information/emergency.
- The voicemail message has to be changed on the day of training days and then
  changed back the following morning.
- FG is going to e-mail PPG locality CCG minutes to CF to forward to the
  group members.
- CCG PPG Locality Meeting – no members of the group were able to attend.
- Action plan for 1013-2014 - TW – training and education for patients from for
  example – Diabetes UK, MacMillan Nurse, etc with question and answer
  sessions. FG – The practice has no funding available for this but some
  organisations are willing to stage meetings at no cost to the practice but the
  request should come from the group. FG suggested that the group may be able
  to take some ideas from CCG Plan on a Page” Other ideas for the action plan
  are to be sent by members of the group to TW. TW to e-mail members of the
  group the CCG Plan on a Page. SB suggested promoting the Pulmonary
  Rehabilitation Service Meetings at Grindon Lane to patients in this practice
  with COPD.
- Practice Newsletter – unable to upload the first page onto the website. CF
  now designing the newsletter using Word instead of Publisher. CF will e-mail
  next issue as soon as it is completed.
- Date of next meeting: OCTOBER 29th 2013