



## Darwen Healthcare Patient Participation Group Meeting Minutes Monday 23 January 23 5:30 – 6:30 pm

Name	Position	Int	Attended
Barry Ashbolt	Chair	BA	y
Anne Crook	Vice Chair	AC	y
Alan Pickup	Secretary	AP	y
Ian Townsend	Member	IT	a
Karen Narramore	Member	KN	y
Christine Sharples	Member	CS	y
Carol Guy	Member	CG	a
Brian Taylor	Member	BT	a
Jessica Mottershaw	Member	JM	
Anne Watson	Member	AW	y

Name	Position	Int	Attended
Ann Neville	Practice Manager	AN	y
Nicola Wright	Quality Lead	NW	
Kim Cunningham	Operations Lead	KC	
Susan Taylor	Patient Engagement	ST	

No	Item	Content	Action	Deadline
1.	<b>Welcome - Chair</b>			
2.	<b>Apologies - Sec</b>	As noted above		
3.	<b>Minutes of the last meeting - Chair</b>	Agreed as a true record		
4.	<b>Practice Update – Ann Neville</b>	Ann advised that the family of IT had contacted her to say IT would be stepping down from the PPG as unwell. Ann advised that Ian was one of our long standing members and had been present when she joined the practice. Ann has bought a planter inscribed with thanks from the GP partners and members of the PPG. (copy photo attached). An electronic card as acknowledgment of appreciation with wishes from the PPG members will be sent to Ian.		

	<b>Palliative Care</b>	September 21 Doctor Slack started a fellowship with a practice around palliative care. It's actually going well now and we've got involvement now with the Hospice team and we have a robust system for when patients do become palliative with a supportive element prior to advancing to being palliative.	<b>Update Quarterly</b>	<b>April 23</b>
	<b>Coil Clinics</b>	Doctor Davies, who's one of our female GP partners and she's just completed a refresher course, on coil fitting, and will be commencing fittings from 8 February 23. Menopausal clinics maybe a future development. The practice has received a lot of requests from females to transfer to the practice. This may be because of the number of female GP's now working at the practice.	<b>Update at next meeting</b>	<b>March 23</b>
	<b>E-Consultations</b>	The E-Consultations pathway is progressing well and receive requests every day. Graphs have been developed. 33% of requests are non-clinical. They're questions from patients that can be answered by admin team therefore saving the need for an appointment and the other 65% are clinical requests. A GP looks at them in the morning with Alex the administrator and then she will either book the appointment or book a triage slot for the doctor to give them a call back and it seems to be working quite well.  Currently 85% of consultations are face2face	<b>Update at next meeting</b>	<b>March 23</b>
	<b>Nursing Staff</b>	Our new nurses Adela and Kerry have settled in really well, and our team now seems settled. Darwen PCN have recruited a another nurse who is going to help with the catch up program for the Cervical Smears, Immunisations and Hypertension Reviews. The hypertension catch up fits in nicely with the work Dr Ige is completing within his Hypertension GP Fellowship.	<b>N/A</b>	
	<b>Screening and Immunisation Project</b>	The three practices in the Darwen PCN worked together over the weekend to promote screening and Immunisation. Very successful and another event being planned for Saturday 25 February and Saturday 18 March 23	<b>Update at next meeting</b>	<b>March 23</b>
	<b>DWP</b>	Work with DWP still going well and the new mental health practitioner, pharmacist and Nurse Practitioners are able to issue FIT notes, saving swith GP to issue them. Social Prescribing is also relieving some of the pressure on GP appointment		

		<p>13<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> March confirmed AP and BT met with Market Manager, we are allowed to use the middle area of the Annex and any empty stalls for information pop ups. Main day Saturday when other initiatives will be available, including the HARRI Bus.</p> <p>Ba Mentioned a focus on Alcohol awareness and initiatives like “Men in Sheds” which offers ways for retired men to use their talents to benefit others and reduces isolation for those recently retired who have no outside interests</p> <p>There is a lot of interest from organisations to be part of this venture, including Police Service, Social Prescribing and Child Action North West</p>		
	<b>Date of Next Meeting</b>	Monday 20 March 23 at 5:30		

Date	Meeting
20 <sup>th</sup> March 23	PPG Meeting
15 <sup>th</sup> May 23	PPG Meeting
17 <sup>th</sup> July 23	PPG Meeting
18 <sup>th</sup> Sept 23	PPG Meeting
20 <sup>th</sup> Nov 23	PPG Meeting & AGM



# Success for Immunisation & Screening Weekend

**Darwen Primary Care Network**

"Working together to improve Health & Wellbeing in Darwen & Rural Area"



## Immunisation & Screening Campaign

**"An Ounce of Prevention"**

Preventing or diagnosing an illness can save your life

**Childhood Vaccination Program**

Immunisation can prevent or lessen the effect of the disease

**Flu Vaccination**

Flu hits harder in the young, old or those with other serious health conditions. If offered please get yours

**Adult Pneumococcal and Shingles Vaccination**

People aged between 70 and 79 on 1 September 2022 are eligible for the free shingles vaccine.

**CERVICAL CANCER**

Screening can detect it early  
Book your Smear test

If you are requested to attend for a smear test, please take the opportunity it could save your life

Visit [www.jostrust.org.uk/](http://www.jostrust.org.uk/) To find out more

**Don't Poo Poo the Poo Test**

If you receive a FIT test invite through the post or your GP requests you take one, please do so

**Men-ACWY**

the MenACWY vaccine – which protects against serious infections like meningitis. You can ask a GP for this vaccine until your 25th birthday, if you missed having it at school

**Contact your GP Practice for more information**

**21<sup>st</sup> & 22 January 2023**

- 56 Cervical Smears**
- 57 Covid Boosters**
- 40 Flu**
- 11 Nasal Flu**
- 49 Shingles**
- 26 Pneumococcal**
- 18 Asthma Review**
- 10 Enhanced Health Checks**
- 11 Hypertension Reviews**
- 50 Bowel Screening Kit Apts**