

**MILTON KEYNES Clinical Commissioning Group
Prescribing Group**

Edward Sivills (ES) (Chair)	GP, CMK Medical Centre	Mulukutla Prasad (MP)	GP, Neath Hill Health Centre
Janet Corbett (JC)	Associate Director of Transformation and Delivery / Chief Pharmacist, CCG	Neil Douse (ND)	GP, Stonedean Practice
Helen Chadwick (HC)	Clinical Director of Pharmacy, MKHFT	Joanne Burgess (JB)	District Nurse / Non-Medical Prescriber Red House Surgery
Nikki Woodhall (NW)	Senior Medicines Management Technician, CCG	Bhervi Patel (BP)	Community Pharmacist
Nigel Fagan (NF)	GP, Red House Surgery	Fatima Mohri (FM)	GP, Newport Pagnell Medical Centre
Khatereh Emambakhsh (KE)	GP, Walnut Tree Surgery	Nadia Shaw (NS)	Patient Representative
c.c. Dupe Fagbenro (DF)	Formulary Pharmacist, MKHFT		

**Minutes of the Prescribing Group Meeting held on
Wednesday 4th March 2015**

	Present	Action
	<p>Janet Corbett Edward Sivills Nikki Woodhall Fatima Mohri</p> <p>Nadia Shaw Joanne Burgess Neil Douse</p> <p>Jill McDonald (Dep Chief Pharmacist) Khatereh Emambakhsh Sharon Wilmore - minutes</p>	
1.	Introductions and welcome	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Emambakhsh was welcomed and introduced to the group. • Joanne Burgess announced she was resigning from the Prescribing Group and was congratulated on her new position as District Nurse Manager. • Jill McDonald in attendance for Helen Chadwick. 	
2.	Apologies for absence	
	<p>Nigel Fagan / Bhervi Patel / Helen Chadwick / Mulukutla Prasad We had hoped Dr Atab would join the group but unfortunately he is not able to do so at this time.</p>	
3.	Minutes of last meeting held on 14th January 2015	
	<p>The minutes were signed as an accurate record of the meeting by Janet Corbett (apart from an apology received from Dr Prasad which was added).</p>	
4.	Matters Arising	
	<p>4.1 Opiates (Patient Information Leaflets) – these should be added to the Formulary. JMCD to check with Dupe. NW confirmed that she had passed on comments received from NS to HC for future review.</p> <p>4.2 Non-formulary information – The list of non-formulary drugs issued to patients on admission to hospital was reviewed by JC/NW. JMCD suggested switching patients where appropriate to formulary choices. However, the pharmacy needs to be assured that patients haven't failed on this treatment. It was suggested that having a SystemOne reader would be useful to review patients' medication history which would make it easier to switch without complication. The hospital is not yet on this system. The pharmacy team are currently working on aligning choices on the</p>	<p>JM to follow up with Dupe</p>

	<p>Optimise Rx/formulary.</p> <p>4.3 Dry Eye Guidance – was issued with the January Prescribing Newsletter.</p> <p>4.4 Optimise Rx Survey – thanks were extended to those who had completed this survey. All comments were passed on to FDB to improve and develop the system. Amy Wong from Walnut Tree won the prize draw.</p> <p>4.5 Inhaler PILs – these have been ratified and are now on the formulary website.</p>	
5.	Terms of Reference	
	<p>The document has been amended to reflect organisational changes. JB is awaiting an email re possible representatives from CNWL/NMP/DN to be added. JC noted a mismatch between the membership of the group and the quorate. Both have been aligned to two pharmacists, one of which must be employed by the CCG and three GPs. There is a yearly renewal of the Chair and this should ideally be a GP. JMcD asked to change the formulary pharmacist to representative of the Chief Pharmacist MKFT. All was agreed and an amended version will be circulated with the minutes.</p> <p>5.1 Appointing new Chair</p> <p>JC asked for nominations to replace Jim Laughton. Ed Sivills kindly offered to take on this role and this was approved by the group. ES chaired the meeting from this point.</p>	JB
6.	Prescribing Incentive Scheme 2015/16	
	<p>NW talked through the elements suggested in the new PIS.</p> <p>The PIS is similar to last year with fewer clinical reviews. There are two qualifying elements to the scheme in order for a practice to be eligible for any payouts:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The practice to meet with the Pharmacy Team before September 2015 to discuss prescribing issues including the PIS. 2) For at least 1 GP and 1 nurse from each practice to attend a Respiratory training / update session (this is likely to be arranged for 26th January (PLT)). NW to add to element “Practice to review patients with high usage of Salbutamol”. <p>Tramadol remains a target – Pain Clinic as well as other departments in the hospital are still prescribing / recommending GPs to prescribe – JMcD to raise with the hospital.</p> <p>The new OAB target – it was recommended that practices had a list of what was on the formulary. This should also be shared with Lesley Thurston.</p> <p>Oral Nutrition Review – ND suggested changing submission date from 31st December to 30th November to avoid the holiday period. NW to amend paper.</p> <p>This paper is to be presented at the next CDG meeting on the 17th March for approval.</p>	<p>NW</p> <p>JMcD</p> <p>NW</p> <p>NW</p> <p>JC</p>
7.	Paediatric Asthma prescribing guidance	
	<p>NW represented this guidance which had been updated with comments received. This went to MKPAG but is still awaiting replies from Dr Oommen and Terry James. JMcD offered to chase up.</p> <p>Further suggestions were to change the colours and add a picture/watermark for a child to differentiate between 5-12 years and 12-18 years.</p> <p>NS mentioned Young Healthwatch/PPG Newsletter could be used to raise awareness about patients attending asthma reviews and check inhaler technique regularly. NW to send information to NS.</p>	<p>JMcD</p> <p>NW</p>

8.	National Therapeutic Guidance	
	<p>JC presented this paper to relook at local position against national key areas and the following was noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Constipation guidance – this item to be recirculated with the next Prescribing News (March) • Ezetimibe/simvastatin combination drug – Neighbourhood Pharmacists to review use with practices • Minocycline for use in acne – NPs to review use and consider switch to Lymecycline, which is recommended instead. • Blood Glucose Strips usage remains high. Jas Janjuha (Care Homes Pharmacist) has done a review of the machines and strips on the market and shortlisted those that comply with national specifications, as well as being cost effective. These will be tested with a patient panel. Jas hopes to produce a preferred list of products as a result of this. • Wound Care is not an appropriate measure as locally we use ONPOS online ordering system. 	<p>JC</p> <p>NPs</p>
9.	Nutrition Guidance - Care Homes request form	
	Ruth Hammond (Dietician) has produced this guidance. It was suggested to have the forms separated instead of back to back and to add a watermark title for easy recognition of initiation and repeat requests. JC suggested Ruth trial these forms in the care homes and review.	RH/NW
10.	Prescribing Update Session feedback	
	JC informed the group that this event was well attended and evaluation forms were extremely positive. NW is awaiting receipt of practice action plans which is part of the qualifying element of the PIS 2014/15.	
11.	MKPAG Update – January meeting	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Denosumab shared care guideline was approved. • Joint Vitamin D Guidance for adults has been approved with Anne Jenkins with InvitaD3 oral solution in a vial as the formulation of choice. Work is still needed to produce similar guidance for Paediatrics. • Eye products were reviewed. JC has sent round another application for comments to go back to MKPAG at the end of the month. • Pain Clinic review of Tapentadol – JMcD has proposed a guideline with hospital colleagues and is awaiting comments. This will need to be shared with primary care for further comments. • Warfarin Bridging Policy is still under review. Ideally this should remain with secondary care. • Cetraben was added to the formulary. NW to meet with Libby Pell later this week to review the emollients chapter. • Dymista was added to the formulary as 2nd line option only after failure with oral antihistamine and nasal steroid. 	<p>DF/JC</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>JMcD</p>

12.	Professional issues / Any Other Business	
	<p>Thanks were made to JB for her participation in the Prescribing Group over the last few years and wished her well in her new role.</p> <p>JB will investigate who will replace her.</p>	JB
	<p>Date of Next Meeting:</p> <p>PLEASE NOTE THAT THE MAY MEETING IS CANCELLED</p> <p>Wednesday 1st July 2015 7.30am, Sherwood Place, Boardroom 1</p>	

Minutes approved as an accurate record by:

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