

Sunderland Clinical Commissioning Group

Sunderland West Locality Patient Group
South Hylton Surgery (10.30am – 12.30pm)

Attendance:

Audrey Polkinghorn
Ann Ferguson
Linda Reiling
David Gallagher
Julie Whitehouse
Colin Barksby
Gaynor Mitchell
Dave Harris
Teresa Harris
Alan Banby (?)

Meeting Notes

- Meeting notes, 26th June, did not raise any comment.
- Meeting notes, 28th August, confirmed that the groups were concerned both about the lack of clarity of purpose and their level of representation from the West practices. This date was intended as a 'meet & greet' session for new members of whom there were none. The practice managers feel they have done all they can, not all practices have a patient group to ask someone to come along & group members do not have any more time to give.
- David Gallagher (SCCG, Chief Officer) offered a presentation: 'Sunderland CCG – Who are we'. The presentation was loosely adhered to as members had many questions and DG felt it to be important that the CCG heard their views. Members felt the discussion helped them be clearer than previously and to recognise these groups were very new the CCG is still 'making it up' in terms of identifying the best way forward. It was noted similar discussions are being held with other Locality Patient Groups and it is in no way an indication of 'failure' on the part of the group.
- This discussion was quite lengthy and it was necessary to shorten the agenda.
- A draft poster was circulated that the group might use to advertise their work and boost membership. This will be taken away, considered and opinion fed back.
- J Wy took the group through the highlights of the West Locality Action Plan. There is a lot of information on this plan and it will be beneficial to revisit areas of interest in further detail.

- It was agreed it would be useful to have a speaker from Public Health to explain their main programmes of work.
- 'NHS – Call to Action' was not discussed but a flyer advertising a further meeting on this subject was circulated (Thursday 26th September, Stadium of Light, 6-8pm).
- Information was circulated confirming the outstanding meeting dates for 2013.
- The visit to the North East Ambulance Trust (NEAS) was scheduled for Thursday October 10th (10.30am – 12.30pm). **PLEASE NOTE THIS WILL CHANGE.** NEAS advise us they do not have sufficient staff cover to accommodate our numbers on this date. We will come back with a revised date in the near future.

Next meeting:

Wednesday 23rd October, 10.30am -12.30pm, South Hylton Surgery, 2 Union Street, SR4 0LS