



North Yorkshire Branch Report

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Message from John Crompton, Chair, North Yorkshire Branch, YORLMC Ltd



Over the last month the increasing financial pressures and forecasted deficits across North Yorkshire and York CCGs and provider trusts have become more clear. Also emerging are some likely organisational changes across CCGs and the wider STPs, the exact details of which are awaited. YORLMC will continue to work closely with CCGs and NHSE to understand the significance of these for local general practice and try to ensure the investment, timescales and wider aims of the GPFV are not lost. In

HaRD a model for 8-8, 7 day provision of services provided by the GP federation, Yorkshire Health Network (YHN), is emerging in line with the WYSTPs early adopter status and under a similar model to that provider in HRW CCG.



Dr Brian McGregor as vice chair, was in the Chair for our July Liaison & Branch meetings. Most of our CCGs clearly recognise the need for increasing resource to General Practice and have committed to clearly funding all the GPFV income streams though some negotiation on clarity of purpose is needed. We will continue to press for this funding to come to practices, particularly where we disagree with the planned use of GPFV funding.

The ETTF has sadly failed to materialise despite the huge amount of work and effort that has occurred locally to develop bids, this appears to be related to a quagmire of issues relating to ongoing resource and planning/development support. We will continue to press for the proposed developments from Practices to be considered and prioritised by our CCGs should funding ever materialise. Eating disorders were again a topic of further discussion and the general inadequacy in North Yorkshire & York compared to services in neighbouring districts. Hopefully a new specification will be agreed soon.

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Contact details - YORLMC's Corporate Affairs Team

YORLMC's Corporate Affairs Team (CAT) is responsible for keeping GPs and practice teams informed of current issues relating to primary care and beyond. The CAT leads on communicating important messages, producing regular guidance and newsletters to keep all GPs and practice teams informed, involved and engaged.

To help the CAT keep track of changes within practice teams it will be much appreciated if you can advise info@yorlmcltd.co.uk when email addresses change, when GPs join or leave your practice as well as when there is to be a change

of Practice Manager.

Simon Berriman is administering the North Yorkshire Branch and Liaison -

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Stacey Fielding is administering the 4 North Yorkshire Divisions – stacey.fielding@yorlmcltd.co.uk

Simon and Stacey are therefore the first point of contact for all North Yorkshire & York related matters.

YORLMC Branch and Division Meeting Agendas: Contributions and attendance is welcomed from GPs and Practice Managers

GPs and Practice Managers are reminded that their suggestions for items for inclusion on Branch and Division agendas are welcomed. Meetings of the North Yorkshire Branch of YORLMC focus on issues affecting the North Yorkshire & York area as a whole. There are also four Divisions of YORLMC Ltd which correspond to the four North Yorkshire CCG areas. Division meetings focus on more localised discussion and Agendas are circulated to Committee Members one week prior to meetings, following agenda planning sessions involving YORLMC Officers and YORLMC's Corporate Affairs Team. All GPs and Practice

Managers are welcome to attend their respective Division meetings.

Branches and Divisions meet bi-monthly in alternate months and you can check the dates of forthcoming meetings <u>here</u>.

We very much hope you will contribute to this process – your suggested items can be sent to the Corporate Affairs Team as follows:

info@yorlmcltd.co.uk

If you wish to attend your local Division meeting please contact: Stacey.fielding@yorlmcltd.co.uk

Message from Berni Judge, Practice Manager Resource, North Yorkshire Branch, YORLMC

Just a reminder that I am the Practice Manager Resource co-opted to the North Yorkshire Branch of YORLMC. My co-option to YORLMC has been made with the intention of providing practices across North Yorkshire and York with an additional resource and acting as a link with practice manager colleagues. I will be attending Branch meetings and also liaison meetings with CCG leads and representatives of the Area Team so if you feel there are issues/themes emerging that would benefit from being highlighted at these meetings please let me know so I can ensure these can be considered for inclusion on meeting agendas. The easiest way to contact me is by email — berni.judge@nhs.ne. When emailing it would be helpful if you could also copy your email to the Corporate Affairs Team - simon.berriman@yorlmcltd.co.uk



NYCC Approved Provider List

YORLMC would like to thank practices who have signed up to provide primary care based public health services via the Approved Provider List. The Approved Provider List remains open and practices can apply to deliver any of the PH commissioned services at any time. If practices would like to discuss how to apply to then please contact Nicola Dixon, NYCC on 01609536503 or email Nicola.Dixon@northyorks.gov.uk

BMA Guidance—Prescribing non-prescription (over the counter) medication in nurseries and schools

The BMA has updated the <u>above guidance</u>. Non-prescription /over the counter (OTC) medication does not need a GP signature/authorisation in order for the school/nursery/childminder to give it. The guidance now makes it clear that it is appropriate for OTC medicines to be administered by a member of staff in the <u>nursery or school</u>, <u>or self-administered by the pupil during school hours</u>, <u>following written permission by the parents</u>, as they consider necessary. It is a misuse of GP time to take up an appointment just to acquire a prescription for a medicine wholly to satisfy the needs of a nursery/school.

Onward referrals—non secondary care services

YORLMC has received some queries from practices regarding flagging onward referrals as breaches of the NHS standard contract. Please note that *non-secondary care services* are not permitted to make onward referrals and do need to direct the patient back to the original referrer to action any required onward referrals. Although some services, such as podiatry and physiotherapy, are provided by secondary care Trusts in some areas, they are not secondary care services and so cannot make onward referrals.

However ,it should be noted that these services should direct patients back to the original referrer and not the GP by default. If a patient is referred to physiotherapy by a Consultant and it is found they require an onward referral to orthopaedics, for example, the physiotherapy team should direct the patient back to the Consultant and not their GP.

Secondary care services are able to make onward referrals, within their Trust, so long as the referral is for a non-urgent condition directly related to the original condition. If practices experience this not happening they are encouraged to report such instances as breaches of the NHS standard contract.

Inaugural LMC England Conference

The inaugural England LMC Conference will take place on the 10th November and the North Yorkshire Branch of YORLMC will be sending 5 local representatives. An England conference is something the North Yorkshire Branch tried to pursue 5 years ago, as it's important as contracts diverge between the devolved Nations and ourselves that we find space to help promote and shape GPC policy with regards to the direction of travel of General Practice in England. If any GP or practice has a view on issues relating to the English GMS contract, please make them known to your locality representatives or the CAT team at YORLMC where we can ensure the voice of those at the coal face can be taken forward to be heard at national level.

Book your place at the YORLMC Conference on 17 October

This full day event available to all North Yorkshire & York and Bradford & Airedale practices is taking place at the <u>Pavilions of Harrogate</u>, Great Yorkshire Show Ground, Harrogate. This full day Conference is designed to help GPs and practice teams navigate the changing landscape of general practice by providing practical information and advice on new mod-

els of care, future proofing general practice, working within the changing shape of the GP workforce, new consultation types, social prescribing and more. A full programme is now available so please secure your place as quickly as possible, for a nominal fee of £40 per person, via the link below to avoid disappointment. https://www.yorlmcltd.co.uk/

YORLMC TRAINING - Upcoming courses

For a full list please see training courses please see https://www.yorlmcltd.co.uk/events

YORLMC TRAINING - Lunch & Learn

Lunch & Learn training packages provide a different way for practices to train their staff as it enables you, on behalf of the practice, to deliver training over a lunchtime, by giving you all the materials you need. When you purchase the Lunch and Learn package your payment will trigger access to a PowerPoint presentation and all the relevant accompanying training materials. The training packages which have been developed by Wessex LMCs are accessible here. You will need to create an account and use the code **YORLMC** when you purchase in order to access the preferential rates offered to practices in Bradford, Airedale, Wharfedale, Craven, North Yorkshire & York.

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New FREE job advertising service for practices & GPs

We have now launched a new job page on the YORLMC website https://www.yorlmcltd.co.uk/jobs. NHS Practices in the YORLMC seeking to fill GP and staff vacancies and GPs seeking work can place adverts on the job page free of charge. Please see the flyer at Appendix 1 for further information.

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