

## **Academy Medical Centre Patient Participation Group**

### **Notes of the zoom meeting held on Tuesday 11 May 2021 at 5.30pm**

1. **Welcome** – Chairperson Marion, welcomed PPG members to the meeting, Dr Jason Twinn, and Ashley McGregor were in attendance from the practice staff.
2. **Present** – Marion Fenwick, Linda Spence, Muriel Fairley, Allan Barker
3. **Apologies** were received from Libby Souter, Diane Meek, Ann Watt
3. **Notes of meeting held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2021** - were read and approved.
4. **Matters arising from the previous notes** –
  - a) Awaiting further information on the BP cuffs Ashley and Dr MacCallum to seek further information.
5. **Finance report** – the balance of account stands at £318.06p
6. **Service delivery and practice update**
  - a) Covid vaccination programme is going very well.
  - b) There has been a change around in teams to equalize the workload. However, if patients wish to revert back to their ‘old’ team they can do so. The PPG members praised the work of the practice and acknowledged the commitment and hard work by the team.
6. **Covid vaccination program update** –As above
7. **Health campaign themes.**

June	National Falls Prevention Dementia & Alzheimer’s Carers Week 7-13 June
July	Nutrition and Physical Activity Osteoporosis Prevention and Care
8. **Blister Pack Recycling.**

Marion spoke about the recent recycling initiative to recycle blister packs that the Inner Wheel are involved in. These little packs have a big impact on the environment. Until now, there hasn’t been an accessible solution for recycling medicine blister packaging. The PPG were keen to get patients involved with this recycling

initiative, so we can let these little blister packs live again as reusable products like outdoor furniture.

It was suggested that a sharps box be placed in reception for people to deposit their used blister packs. It was thought that Ashely's skills could be called upon to design a poster for reception.

The group also asked if the poster / advert could be put on the website, Facebook and the Twitter feed.

Ashley / Diane to explore the options of a poster / website article.

#### **9. Publicity and practice website.**

General discussion regarding the website and the addition of the new pages promoting LGBT Health and Well-being. Allan wondered if Karen Rankin at HIS would be interested in this information to share. Allan thanked the practice partners, staff and PPG for supporting the initiative. Allan to contact Karen Rankin.

#### **10 AOCB.**

- a) It was agreed that there would be no PPG meeting in July (Summer Break)
- b) Marion intimated that she would be stepping down as secretary at the July break. There was a brief discussion regarding a successor. Marion would be happy to answer any questions about the post if anyone was keen. It is her intention to remain on committee and will be happy to take her turn in chairing meetings. It was hoped that the PPG would continue to have a revolving chairperson, which created the opportunity for everyone to be involved. Marion was thanked for her commitment and hard work (an amazing ten and a half years) . Marion is keen to continue supporting the work of the PPG.

**11 Date of next meeting Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2021 at 5.30pm via zoom**