

**PORTSMOUTH AND SOUTH EAST HAMPSHIRE HEALTH AUTHORITY****Gosport Locality GP Steering Group**

To be held on Wednesday 3 September at 12.30 pm in the Gosport Health Centre Seminar Room.

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**AGENDA**

- 1 Apologies for Absence**
- 2 Notes of the Meeting held Wednesday 2 July 1997**
- 3 Matters arising**
  - 3.1 Fundolding savings (Dr Pennells & Partners)
  - 3.3 Haslar's newsletter/GP communications
- 4 MAAG daycase audit**
- 5 Update on Haslar (Wing Commander Bush to attend)**
- 6 Update on Locality Commissioning Pilot Projects**
- 7 Update on proposed District Nurse, Health Visitors and Practice Nurse project**
- 8 Physiotherapy**
- 9 AOB**
- 10 Date of next meeting**

- children's services

PGEA has been applied for and refreshments will be provided.

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**Gosport Locality GP Steering Group**

**Notes of the Meeting held Wednesday 3 September 1997**

<b>Present:</b>	Jane Barton	JBa	Chris Tart	CT
	David Young	DY	Brendan Coonan	BC
	John Bassett	JB	Hugh Janes	HJ
	John Grocock	JG	Alex Clark	AC
	David Evans	DA	Wing Commander Philip Bush	PB
	Shirley Hardy	SH		

<b>No</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Action</b>
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**1 Apologies for Absence**

Bob Pennells

**2 Notes of the Meeting held Wednesday 2 July 1997**

These were agreed.

**3 Matters arising**

**3.1 Fundholding savings (Dr Pennells & Partners)**

Further to the previous meeting, it was again agreed that the list of items be bought and HJ confirmed that this would be progressed.

**3.3 Haslar's newsletter/GP communications**

PB updated the group on progress towards completing a newsletter for local GPs. PB explained that the first draft had been intended for both civilian and non-civilian clinicians and the Health Authority (HA) had raised some concerns over possible misinterpretation from civilian GPs ie that the HA did not purchase certain services currently available to service personnel. Haslar had therefore decided to produce two newsletters, one applicable to service personnel and one applicable to HA residents and this latter newsletter would be circulated to local GPs once it had been completed.

PB

The issue of postgraduate meetings with clinicians from Haslar was also raised, with a request that these be started up again and that the night upon which they are held be rotated. PB reported that the recently refurbished postgraduate medical centre was shortly due to reopen. (Post meeting note; Dr John Peters has set up a number of meetings; details of the first meeting are attached).

## 5 Update on Haslar (Brought forward)

PB reported that the opening of the new day case unit was planned for the end of September. JBa asked what provision had been made for following patients up during the first 24 hours following their operation. PB replied that a leaflet was being produced and CT asked whether there was any input from GPs into this process. PB agreed to check this and to circulate copies of the leaflet.

PB

The issue of fax machines being used for GP communications from Haslar was also raised. PB reported that a recent survey had highlighted considerable variation amongst practices as to their views on receiving information by fax. PB therefore agreed to write to the chairman of the Gosport Medical Committee (Dr Hajiantonis) to seek clarification and to agree a standard approach with all local GPs.

PB

## 4 MAAG day case audit

AC reported that the results of the recent MAAG day case audit, detailed in their subsequent report (copies available from AC), had shown that the shorter a patient's stay in hospital, the less likely they were to contact their GP upon being discharged. Conversely, the longer the stay, the more likely they were to contact their GP upon being discharged.

Concern was expressed that further work be carried out on post-operative pain relief as the above finding may be affected by a high proportion of elderly admissions who are sicker, often stay longer in hospital and therefore also require further intervention once they are discharged.

CT raised the requirement for standardised advice from different medical staff within Haslar. SH replied that standardisation should be improved with the opening of the day case unit and emphasised the importance of clinician to clinician contact.

## 6 Update on Locality Commissioning Pilot Projects

HJ updated the group on the position regarding applications for nation GP Commissioning Pilot projects, stating that a submission had been made for a project which contained three groups of GPs, those being Havant, Fareham and Portsea Island. If successful, these groups would take responsibility for managing a cash limited prescribing budget and for commissioning a range of health service. They would be supported by the HA and national money would be available to pay for their time in attending a number of meetings.

**7 Update on proposed District Nurse, Health Visitors and Practice Nurse project**

HJ again outlined the proposal, namely that the Gosport GP Steering Group become directly involved in the decision making process for the prioritisation and allocation of district nurse, health visiting and practice nursing. This would mean that Gosport GPs could change the available pattern of resources to provide an overall benefit to the Gosport Locality Population. In order to achieve this, it would be necessary for the Gosport GP steering group to discuss resource allocation at practice level. The HA and Portsmouth HealthCare Trust have the necessary figures, but in order to share these with the group, practice agreement is required. It was therefore agreed that a letter be sent to each senior partner seeking the practice's approval to share data on their practice.

HJ

**8 Physiotherapy**

A similar discussion to that above took place, with a view that this was another area where improvements could be made, possibly with the introduction of practice-based waiting times. Again it was agreed that a request to share practice-level data be included in the above letter to senior partners.

HJ

**9 AOB**

SH explained that a conference was planned for September, to discuss the issue of clinical collaboration between Haslar and Portsmouth Hospitals Trust and there would be representatives from local GPs, with JBa confirming her attendance. SH also tabled a paper detailing the changes to the childrens' services at Haslar (further copies available from HJ), would come into force from 1 September.

**10 Date of next meeting**

Wednesday 22 October at 12.30 pm in the **Health Education Room (Room 9), at Gosport Health Centre.**