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PORTSMOUTH AND SOUTH EAST HAMPSHIRE HEALTH AUTHORITY

Out of Hours Meeting

Notes of the Meeting held on 21 August 1996

Present:

Dr R Button

Dr M Johns

Mr J Kirtley
Dr S McKenning

Dr J Neal

Dr C Olford

Miss M Smith

Dr G Sommerville

No

Discussion

Action

1 Apologies for Absence

None.

2 Report on 1995/6 Expenditure

The year end position was that the sum of £27,953.52 remained unspent. This sum was then divided between those practitioners who had placed bids and provided receipts above the £1432 originally allocated. This provided an additional sum of £116.81 per partner qualifying.

3 Expenditure to Date 1996/7

A summary of the number of bids already received was noted. It was stated that the sum of money available was slightly increased to £1469 per partner and acceptable bids were already being processed.

4 Issues for Further Consideration

a) Payment of Spouse/Partner

This can be paid subject to submission of proof of payment for those that claimed for wives last year, and subject to proof of contract, payment and being on the payroll for those not claiming last year. The payment had been checked out with the auditors and they had accepted that these payments could be made.

b) Equipment purchase funded over 2 years

It was agreed that this was acceptable and that a substantial piece of equipment could be purchased and reimbursed over a two year period.

c) Homes used for Out of Hours Consultations

It was agreed home expenses for this purpose could not be subject to a reimbursement.

d) Home Phone Rental Costs

It was agreed these would not be reimbursed.

e) Childminder Costs

It was agreed costs associated with the use of a childminder would not be reimbursed.

f) Replacement Posts

It was agreed that practitioners filling a vacancy should be able to claim against the full "share" amount when they came into post. Practitioners joining a practice when the full share has been reimbursed to the outgoing partner are not eligible for further funding. Any unspent share can be claimed by incoming partner.

g) Additional Partners

Any practitioner who is additional to the partnership should be able to claim pro-rata for all full months between appointments and 31 March 1997, (eg practitioner joins 2 June can claim $^{9}/_{12}$ of £1469).

h) Late Bids

Those who have not submitted bids will be contacted by LMC to check and any bid submitted will then be accepted up to 15 September 1996.

i) 1996/7 Final Receipts

The final date for accepting receipts for 1996/7 will be 30 April 1997.

5 Priorities for Use of Unallocated Funds

It was noted the LMC will be reviewing priorities for use of OOH funds in the Autumn. The availability of 1997/8 funds for OOH will be confirmed to the Authority by early January. It was agreed priorities for allocation of any remaining 1996/7 funds and for 1997/8 allocations would be considered at a further meeting at the end of January.

6 Further Meeting

A date would be set in late January for a further meeting if the LMC or the Authority considered it necessary.

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