

Minutes of Patient Participation Group Meeting

Tuesday 14th May 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Michelle, Ann, Carol, Julia, Karen

Apologies: Janette, Mel

Minutes from last meeting

Agreed.

Carer activity

Our number of carers has increased by 2 to 263. Della has set up excellent liaison with Sponne School so that Sponne will let us know (with the child's permission) about any young carers. The group suggested we also speak to primary schools. KW will progress.

Friends and family review

Five responses. 100% extremely likely to recommend us. Very nice comments from patients. Special mentions made by the patients and PPG for Dr Wake and Dr Abiola.

Primary care networks

GP surgeries are being asked to form into primary care networks of approximately 50,000 patients. The two Towcester practices have joined with the two Brackley practices to make a Brackley and Towcester Primary Care Network. Following the formation of this network there will be funding for additional disciplines to work with the practices, such as clinical pharmacists, social prescribers, paramedics.

Park Run

Towcester Medical Centre will be having a Watermeadows Park Run day where staff will volunteer or participate in the Towcester Park Run. This will be on 1st June at 9.00 a.m. PPG members are welcome to join us in supporting Park Run by either volunteering or participating on that day.

Newsletter

Items for the next newsletter will be summer themed. Bee stings/ant bites/travel vaccinations/safety in the sun, along with the importance of childhood immunisations. Michelle agreed to put something together for the group to review at the next meeting.

Next meeting

The next meeting on 11th June will be at 6:00 p.m as usual. Fenglin Guo will be attending on behalf of the East Midlands Clinical Research Group NIHR. This is for NHS funded research, and Fenglin will let the PPG know more about how it works.