

AVON LOCAL DENTAL COMMITTEE

Committee meeting

Held by Zoom on Wednesday 7th June. 2023

Minutes

Present: Andrew House, Brad Hall, Katie Davies, Paul Drugan, Matt Garton, Carl Fullaway, James Rocha, George Schofield, Robert Snelling, Jane Timothy. Zac Warwick-Moony, Jenny Bowker

Apologies Darren Hills,

Presentation

Jenny Bowker Deputy Director of Primary Care BNSSG ICB attended the meeting and gave a presentation to explain the transition and delegation of Dental Services to the ICB ,its structure and desire to work with the Dental Profession .Jenny then finish with a discussion about how do we start to tackle the challenge that we have around NHS Dental Services for the BNSSG population, how we can start to get a sense of the scale of the challenge so that going forward together we can start to look at what and where we should be targeting our efforts and what should be our local priorities.

She then took questions from various members of the committee who raised concerns related to, UDA values, retention of staff, recruitment, lack of funding, stabilisation ,child friendly practices ,health inequalities, contract flexibility , clawback, contract hand back ,failed UDA contract and core service.

Chairman's Items Committee Matters

The inflexibility of NHSE, contract hand back, renegotiation and the inability of many practices to hit UDA targets.

LDC Conference to be attended by Paul Drugan and the 33 different motions.

ICB interaction with the LDC, excessive number of meetings and the ICB only being able to influence local factors and not the national framework.

Committee Matters

The retention of Dental Nurses and Dentists and the severe issues this is causing practices due to the reducing available work force numbers.

Child and Exempt only contracts so that these patients are prioritised.

The appalling behaviour of NHSE towards the Dental Profession.

The new Bristol Dental School was discussed and the potential for increased undergraduate students.

Treasurer report

Stable funding levels. A resumption of the levy going forward to be considered.

Other Committees

Southwest Local Dental Network, GDPC, BDA Pension Committee

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Correspondence

Health and Wellbeing. NHS Communications, BDA,

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Obese patients and access to dentistry via Special Care

GA waiting list at BDH.

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With no further business, the meeting closed at 21.30

DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS

To be circulated