



**EAST LANCASHIRE HEALTH ECONOMY
MEDICINES MANAGEMENT BOARD**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 21st MARCH 2018 AT
12.30pm**

**IN SEMINAR ROOM, PHARMACY DEPARTMENT,
ROYAL BLACKBURN HOSPITAL**

PRESENT:

Mr N Fletcher (NF)	Director of Pharmacy ELHT (Acting chair)
Dr D Gavan (DG)	Consultant Radiologist ELHT (from item 2018/55)
Dr L Rogan (LR)	Associate Director of Medicines, Research and Clinical Effectiveness NHS EL CCG
Mrs C Woffindin (CW)	Medicines Information Manager, ELHT
Mrs C Dugdale (CD)	Meds Management Pharmacist NHS BwD CCG
Dr S Jackson (SJ)	Clinical Commissioning Group MM Lead, GP EL
Dr T MacKenzie (TM)	GP, EL CCG
Mr A Gray (AG)	Clinical Pharmacist, ELHT
Mrs L Holden (LH)	Pharmacist LCFT (representing Ms S Ramdour)
Mr J Vaughan (JV)	Commissioning Support Pharmacist NHS EL/BwD

In Attendance

Ms L Prince	Medicines Management Technician EL CCG
Lindsay Gawthrop	Advanced Medical Practitioner, Lymphoedema & Lower Limb Vascular

2018/046: APOLOGIES:

Mr V Goodey (VG)	Assistant Director of Pharmacy, Clin Service ELHT
Dr K Burch (KB)	Consultant Microbiologist ELHT
Dr Y Naheed (YN)	GP, EL CCG

2018/047: DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None declared – relevant to agenda items.

2018/048: MINUTES OF FEBRUARY MEETING:

Accepted as a correct record.

2018/059: MATTERS ARISING:

2017/137: LMMG Recommendations (from Sept) Vitamin D Position Statement - under review, draft to be shared at April meeting.

2018/015: ELHE: Antimicrobial Guidance for Primary Care – Nitrofurantoin liquid to be included on formulary for paediatric doses for UTI only. For swallowing difficulties / enteral tubes the standard release capsules can be opened.

2018/040: Homely Remedies Policy – updated draft to be shared at April meeting.

2018/050: WOUND CARE FORMULARY – HOSIERY KITS

Lindsay Gawthrop, Advanced Medical Practitioner, Lymphoedema & Lower Limb Vascular, was in attendance to present this item.

As part of a quality improvement programme in East Lancs, preparations used to treat leg ulcers have been reviewed. Hosiery Kits are easier to use, more time efficient, reduce nursing and clinic time, and have demonstrated cost effectiveness when compared to traditional 4 layer bandaging. The kits are considered suitable for most but not all patients. It was agreed to add to wound care formulary for community and specialist services for East Lancs. Cost of made to measure kits to be clarified.

Resolved: Hosiery Kits to be included in Wound Care Formulary.

2018/051: LMMG CONSULTATIONS (for April LMMG)

Behavioural & Psychological Symptoms of Dementia (BPSD) Guideline – comments received from Dr Roberts, Consultant in Medicine for Older People, generally supportive. Concern expressed that MSU (page 5) is not usually possible and would like the ELHT Delirium Bundle including in final document. Comments already sent to LMMG from EL CCG.

Denosumab Shared Care Guideline – comments received from rheumatology, with concerns that dental checks should be advised by GP's. GP's requested some guidance on what to do if administration within 14 day window is not achieved.

DMARDs Shared Care Agreement Form – comments received from rheumatology & dermatology to suggest form should be electronic and ensure a copy is sent to the patient. Further specific comments have been added to form to be sent to LMMG. Concerns expressed that forms for shared care are not always sent out and GPs do not always respond.

Resolved: Comments to be sent to LMMG

2018/052 LMMG RECOMMENDATIONS (from Feb LMMG)

Midazolam (Epistatus®) oramucosal solution 10mg/mL

Product is to be included on formulary as addition with note on strength difference to current product.

Axial Spondyloarthritis Pathway - updated
LMMG pathway accepted as written for ELHE.

Denosumab Position Statement
LMMG position statement accepted as written for ELHE.

Melatonin guidelines
Deferred to next meeting

2018/053: FORMULARY UPDATES

Dacalizumab – marketing authorisation suspended and withdrawn from the market following safety concerns. To be removed from formulary.

Resolved: Formulary to be updated as above

2018/054: ANTIPSYCHOTICS IN DEMENTIA GP RESOURCE PACK

This pack has been adopted from GMMMG to help support the Quality Framework for prescribing in dementia. It was agreed this could be included on website as a supportive resource document for information.

Resolved: Resource pack to be added to website for information.

2018/055: ELHT CHEMOTHERAPY OPERATIONAL POLICY

Updated chemotherapy policy acknowledged by ELMMB.

Resolved: Chemotherapy Operational Policy acknowledged.

2018/056: ELHT SOP FOR ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION USING DOSE RANGES IN THE LAST DAYS OF LIFE

The SOP is applicable to East Lancs community nurses and is going through trust governance mechanisms for approval. It is presented here for information. Concerns were raised in relation to the EMIS template that needs to be updated in line with new guidelines.

Resolved: ELHT SOP for administration of dose ranges in the last days of life acknowledged.

2018/057: NICE RECOMMENDATIONS (from Feb)

Pirfenidone for treating idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis [TAG 504] is recommended as an option by NICE. Approved in line with NICE.

NHS England Commissioned

Traffic Light: RED

Ixazomib with lenalidomide and dexamethasone for treating relapsed or refractory multiple myeloma [TAG 505] is recommended as an option by NICE. Approved in line with NICE.

NHSE Cancer Drugs Fund

Traffic Light: RED

Lesinurad for treating chronic hyperuricaemia in people with gout (TAG 506) is NOT recommended as an option by NICE.

Traffic Light: BLACK

Sofosbuvir–velpatasvir–voxilaprevir for treating chronic hepatitis C [TAG 507] is recommended as an option by NICE. Approved in line with NICE.

NHS England Commissioned

Traffic Light: RED

Bisphosphonates for treating osteoporosis (TAG 464 updated) are recommended – information updated. Approved in line with NICE.

Raloxifene for the primary prevention of osteoporotic fragility fractures in postmenopausal women (TAG 160 updated) is recommended – information updated. Approved in line with NICE.

Raloxifene and teriparatide for the secondary prevention of osteoporotic fragility fractures in postmenopausal women (TAG 161 updated) are recommended – information updated. Approved in line with NICE.

STANDING ITEMS

2018/058: FOR ACTION/INFORMATION: LANCASHIRE MEDICINES MANAGEMENT GROUP MINUTES – Feb 2018

Minutes acknowledged

2018/059: FOR ACTION/INFORMATION: ANTIMICROBIAL STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE MINUTES – Oct 2017

Minutes acknowledged

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

Financial Implications – NF asked ELMMB if they considered that financial implications from the Pennine Lancs transformation board should be part of ELMMB agenda. It was agreed it should be included on agenda.

Gluten Free – LR informed ELMMB that the local position of not prescribing gluten free products still applies.

Rifaxamin – SJ expressed concerns with prescribing of rifaxamin in respect of how long to continue. AG to discuss with directorate pharmacist.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Wednesday 18TH APRIL 2018 12.30pm, Seminar Room 2, Learning & development Centre, RBH.

**ACTION SHEET FROM
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WEDNESDAY 21ST MARCH 2018

MINUTE NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	ACTION	DATE
2017/137	LMMG Recommendations (from Sept) Vitamin D Position Statement – to be considered together with ELHE guidelines & products used	JV	April 18
2018/040	Homely Remedies Policy – review	LR	April 18
2018/050	Wound Care Formulary – Hosiery Kits – cost of made to measure to be clarified	CW/JV	April 18