

LEWISHAM CCG
GOVERNING BODY PUBLIC PRE-MEETING

8th March 2018, 9.30-10.00am

From the Governing Body:

Dr Marc Rowland (MR), CCG Chair
Ray Warburton (RW), CCG Deputy Chair, Lay Member
Martin Wilkinson (MW), CCG Chief Officer
Dr Faruk Majid (FM), Clinical Director
Dr Seb Kalwij (SK), Clinical Director
Dr Charles Gostling (CG), Clinical Director
Anne Hooper (AH), Lay Member
Prof Simon Mackenzie (SM), Secondary Care Doctor
Dr Danny Ruta (DR), Director of Public Health

From the CCG:

Charles Malcolm-Smith (CMS), Deputy Director (Strategy & OD)
Susanna Masters (SMa), Corporate Director
Victoria Medhurst (VM), Associate Director for Integrated Governance
Russell Cartwright (RC), Head of Communications & Engagement

Also in attendance

Tim Higginson (TH), Chief Executive, Lewisham & Greenwich NHS Trust (LGT)

6 members of the public attended

Question 1

The questioner referred to a letter he had sent directly to the CCG about children's mental health services and the impact of funding reductions on waiting lists. Would the CCG think again about proposed cuts to CAMHS (Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services)?

CCG Response

The CCG will respond formally to the letter received and information on waiting lists. We confirmed that there are no plans to reduce the funds the CCG provides to Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) in 18/19. We will be working with

South London and Maudsley NHS FT (SLaM) as the provider to understand any proposals for these services under their cost improvement programme.

Question 2

What is the procedure for electing the CCG Chair's successor?

CCG Response

There will be an election conducted amongst the CCG's membership from our GP practices, as per the CCG Constitution.

Question 3

How can members of the public find out about progress with issues, such as with CAMHS, that are being led by the Lewisham Health & Care Partners (LHCP) given that that body reports to the Health & Wellbeing Board that only meets three times per year?

CCG Response

Accountability is still held at each individual organisation's board or Governing Body, not delegated to LHCP. While there will be changes to joint commissioning arrangements this is not expected to be in the immediate future.

Question 4

How can members of the public get a single view of changes affecting health and care provision? For instance in querying workforce plans across south east London, the Sustainability & Transformation Partnership (STP) refers to CCGs who refer to providers, meaning more than 11 organisations.

CCG Response

We recognise that the commissioner-provider relationship needs to change generally to work together more effectively; on the workforce issues, they are difficult to address at either an organisation or borough level, to deal with immediate issues as well as planning for the future, and the STP will play a role in co-ordination to help with this.

Question 5

What is the impact of recruitment difficulties for some categories of staff?

CCG Response

As a CCG we are not directly responsible for recruitment.

TH highlighted that LGT employed a large number of different professional groups. The hospital had undertaken a recruitment campaign for band 5 nurses who fill ward

responsibilities. Recruitment was impacted by competition with other trusts in London, reductions in training places over a number of years, and the need for extra capacity over winter in particular.