

Meeting of NHS Lanarkshire Board
30 May 2018



AREA CLINICAL FORUM - 19 APRIL 2018

This paper summarises the key issues considered by the Area Clinical Forum at its meeting on Thursday 19 April 2018.

1. Discussion with Board Chair - the Committee discussed in detail ways in which the Forum can raise awareness amongst the clinical community of their role, and the Board Chair attended to reinforce the important role that the Forum has in representing the views of the clinical community.

There was a very fruitful and wide ranging debate about how the Board can encourage this awareness raising through communications efforts and promote the work of the Forum, and representatives of each Committee present undertook to promote the role of the Forum amongst wider staff groups also.

A number of discrete actions were agreed to improve the visibility of the Forum and these will be taken forward by the Forum over the course of 2018.

2. GMS Contract - Dr McIntyre provided a detailed update in relation to the new GMS Contract and the various workstreams driving aspects of the changes forward. The key role of a wide range of clinical staff in making this happen, not just General Medical Practitioners, was evident.

3. Winter debrief - Committee members had an opportunity to see the winter debrief and were encouraged to feed ideas in to the process for 2018/19 in areas that worked well, and areas that could be improved.

4. Fairer Duty Scotland Interim Guidance – the interim guidance was noted.

5. Regular reports - the Committee received regular reports in relation to Finance, Access targets, Achieving Excellence and the MRRP process of engagement.

6. Next Meeting: 21 June 2018 – with a focus on IT issues in primary care.

Maureen Lees, Committee Chair