

**BLOXWICH MEDICAL PRACTICE  
PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP  
CHAIRMAN'S ANNUAL REPORT MARCH 2016**

During the year under review the group has continued its efforts to increase patient awareness on health issues and good practice.

Awareness events have been staged relating to Pathways to Health, Diabetes, Mental Health, Pharmacy First and Prostate Cancer Advice. The group also combined with Field Road Surgery PPG on a Health Fair afternoon. Some twenty stalls were displayed. Sadly, despite wide publicity, the attendance was disappointing.

Despite continued advertising of PPG meetings, attendance is low. Once again I have heard numerous excuses why people cannot support the group, some being quite imaginative. We shall continue our efforts. The group has renewed its membership of NAPP, a valuable source of information and advice.

On the plus side the Friends and Family questionnaire has brought very positive responses. Out of dozens distributed there have been only two adverse comments. These have been addressed.

In June 2015 I was elected as chairman of the CCG Patient Participation Liaison Group. The period of tenure is two years.

Overall the group has worked with the practice staff with the aim of meeting patient needs.

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Chairman  
Bloxwich Medical Practice PPG