**BLOXWICH MEDICAL PRACTICE**

**PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP MEETING MINUTES**

**TUESDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2016**

**Attendances: Apologies:**

Trevor Hancock Dr Johnson

Julie Hykin

Maggie Ward

Nicole Bullingham

Ray Bunn

Presentation by Pat Roberts: Silver Fitness Gym

Silver Fitness in Furlong House, Bloxwich is a gym specially designed for people with medical conditions and for people over the age of 50 provided by Accord Group.

There is a fully trained gym instructor on site at all times who can develop a fitness plan.

Specialist range of equipment features a thera trainer which allows people recovering from an illness or disability or confined to a wheelchair to sit whilst exercising their arms and legs.

A 3D system uses computer games and images to motivate people to sit, walk, balance and take part in arm and cognitive exercises.

Opening Times: 1.15pm-6.30pm Monday and Wednesday

9am-7pm Friday

Charges: £4 per session or £16 per month

The PPG agreed to display the leaflets at health awareness events and Maggie will discuss the gym with the GP’s.

1. Minutes from previous meeting:

All agreed a true record

1. Matters Arising:

EPS: Maggie reported that when prescriptions are ordered and approved it is sent electronically immediately to the chemist.

Some chemists appear to be asking patients to allow 48 hours for their EPS prescriptions to be ready for collection and some others are issuing them when patients call to collect them.

Maggie also explained that certain medications are not available on Patient Online Access i.e.: Short courses of medication for an acute problem. Medication that is changing or not stable, when a review is needed or overdue.

Julie attended a Healthy Resilient Communities event. She discovered that the PPG may possibly be able to apply for funding for a new printer. She awaits a response to the speculative interest form she submitted.

Trevor and Julie will be attending a workshop on 15th December to support the application process.

1. Friends & Family:

Please see attached precis of choices and comments made on the Friends & Family Test cards submitted to CQRS for October 2016.



1. Any Other Business:

Macmillan Coffee Morning:

The practice received a thank you from Macmillan for the £97.37p raised in this year’s coffee morning event.

Patient Online Access:

Ray asked when all medical records would be available for patients to access online?

Maggie reported that as well as ordering repeat prescriptions and making appointments patients could now have access to detailed coded records.

Safeguards have been negotiated in implementing expanded record access.

There are circumstances where a GP may believe it is not in the best interests of the patient to share all information in the records, i.e. where it could cause harm to physical or mental health or where there is reference to a third party.

Patient Voice Panel:

Walsall CCG is asking for volunteers for the Patient Voice Panel which is being created so that members will be able to share their experiences of local health care, participate in surveys, focus groups and workshops.

Trevor and Julie were both aware of this.

NAPP Bulletin:

Nicole enquired about how to obtain the “My medication passport” discussed in an article in the recent NAPP bulletin.

Maggie agreed to make enquiries and report back to her.

NAPP Workshop:

Julie informed the group that, unfortunately, neither she nor Trevor were able to attend the next PPLG meeting. As there is a NAPP workshop in the meeting, she asked if any member would consider attending as a nominated representative of the group. Nicole kindly volunteered and Trevor reported he would speak with Hardeep.

Date of next meetings:

14th February 2017 at 2pm

25th April 2017 at 2pm