

## East of England Clinical Senate

### Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2015

#### Attendance

Present	Present
Bernard Brett (BB) (Chair)	Penny Brett
Fiona Carey	Sunil Gupta
John Lockley	Christine Macleod
Dee Traue	Ann Russell
Simon Rudland	
Stephen Webb	Denise Williams
Assembly and invited members	
Robert Florence	Colette Marshall
Roy Miller	Katie Johnson
Gavin Hickman	Noreen Buckley
Dayo Kuku	Claus Crede
Carole Roberts	Sarah Hughes
Rotimi Jaiyesimi	Sharon Murrell
Robert Ghosh	Dan Doherty
Jo Hall	Lynn Price
David Gaunt	

Apologies / not in attendance	
Pauline Brimblecombe	Melanie Clements
Shane Gordon	Asif Zia
Sue Hardy	Sue Edwards
Robert Lindfield	

In attendance	
Mary Emurla, Interim Associate Director, EoE Strategic Clinical Network and Senate, NHS England	
<b>Part 1 – Open session</b>	
<p><b>Professor Keith Willett, Director for Acute Episodes of Care, NHS England</b> gave a presentation to the senate council</p>	

Part 2 – formal senate Council meeting		
No.	Agenda item	Action by
1	<p><b>Welcome and apologies for Senate Council meeting</b></p> <p>BB welcomed council members and those assembly and invited members who had chosen to remain for the meeting following professor Keith Willett’s presentation. Apologies for absence were noted.</p>	
2	<p><b>Declarations of interest</b></p> <p>BB declared a conflict of interest in relation to the Great Yarmouth and Waveney Review . BB had not been involved in the panel, report writing or meeting where the report was approved. Dee Traue would chair the agenda item, BB would remain in the meeting as no detail was provided within the report.</p>	
3	<p><b>NHS England Organisation Alignment and Capacity – Smith Review update</b></p> <p>CMcL provided a summary of current position: Stage 1 of Smith Review is complete. Clinical Senates, Strategic Clinical Networks (SCNs) and AHSNs should continue, and have an important role to play in supporting change across health and care system. More clarity on roles was needed with stronger accountability and governance and ensured relevance to local and national priorities.</p> <p>Role of clinical senate would be: Supporting health economies to improve health outcomes of their local communities by providing evidence-based clinical advice to commissioners and providers on major service changes. They should bring together clinicians and managers, from across a defined geography, with patients and the public, to put the needs of patients above those of organisations or professions.</p> <p>It is anticipated that the implementation of the review will take place by about September.</p> <p>BB thanked CMcL for the update and noted that the senates were already working together nationally, and were joined up across the region. East of England senate was being asked to do more by commissioners and it was likely that there would be a need to prioritise where senate’s resource was targeted.</p>	
4	<p><b>Council membership</b></p> <p>ME was introduced as the interim Associate Director for EoE SCNs and Senate.</p> <p>It was noted that, due to a change in his substantive position, Simon Gregory had resigned from the senate.</p>	
5	<p><b>Notes of previous meeting</b></p> <p>The minutes of the council meeting held by teleconference on 15<sup>th</sup> January were <b>AGREED</b> as a true record.</p> <p><u>Matters Arising:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There were no matters arising.</li> <li>• The formal council development programme remains on hold until the outcome of the OACP review. However the council would still look to invite</li> </ul>	

	<p>speakers to develop its knowledge and understanding of important healthcare issues.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Simon Rudland advised that he had met with John Howard to discuss how workforce development funds could be re-directed to primary care where there is most need. With regards to the £2M fund, SR is looking at recruitment issues in Ipswich and will feedback to the senate council. CML added that that recent CQC inspections of general practice had also highlighted issues with recruitment and retention.</li> <li>• It has been agreed to put work on parity of esteem on hold until such time as a clear question is raised for the senate. There is a considerable amount of work already happening at a national level and also through the mental health strategic clinical network and it is important to avoid any duplication.</li> </ul> <p>Dee Traue took the council through the minutes of the special council meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> March, and noted the confidential nature of this agenda item for those present. The minutes of the meeting were <b>AGREED</b> as a correct record.</p> <p>The review had provided a positive experience of the process and the senate had received thanks from the CCG, adding that an outside perspective had been particularly helpful. The key learning point for the council was the importance of formulating the right question and ensuring that it was clearer on the clinical focus. In East Midlands they had also learnt of the need to focus questions on areas that would be contentious for clinicians or the public.</p> <p>The need for clear communications was raised and the need for a communications resource has been flagged up nationally. ME will be developing a communications specification for the SCN and Senate and JL offered support with this. SH will share the East Midlands communications specification with ME.</p> <p>The establishment of a formal council development programme is on hold until the OACP review is complete. In the meantime the senate will continue to invite speakers to develop knowledge and understanding.</p>	
6	<p><b>Activity:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <b>Clinical Review Panel Gt Yarmouth and Waveney</b> – review is complete</li> <li>b. <b>Paediatric Rheumatology review for specialised commissioning</b> – to take place on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2015 by teleconference. DW declared an interest as she had been involved in developing the service proposal.</li> <li>c. <b>Cambridgeshire and Peterborough ‘developing a sustainable health and care system’</b> – the scope of this review needs to be refined and is the subject of discussion during the private part of the council meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> June. PB declared a conflict of interest as she has had some local involvement in this. BB/SH will discuss with PB outside the meeting.</li> <li>d. <b>West Hertfordshire system</b> – panel meets on 10<sup>th</sup> June to provide independent clinical review on proposal prior to public consultation.</li> <li>e. <b>West Norfolk</b> – is in early stages of discussion.</li> </ul>	BB/SE
5.	<p><b>Seven day services – Clinical Standard 8 Project</b></p> <p>Jessica Stokes on behalf of Robert Lindfield took the council through the attached slides. 7/7 is a national priority and the medical directors’ forum had asked the senate to look at this as they were concerned about standard 8 which requires ‘ongoing consultant review’. The definition of the standard could be improved and</p>	

	<p>measurement of it clarified, identification of barriers and areas of good practice identified, and strengths and weaknesses of the approach evaluated. Papworth NHS Trust had offered to pilot the standard and JS fed back the findings.</p> <p>Stephen Webb commented that Papworth Hospital had found it helpful to shine a light on this. External input had been very useful and the senate view carried more than that of the organisation itself.</p> <p>Southend Hospital would trial the standard next in a general hospital environment and the team would feedback its findings to the council.</p> <p>Discussion took place about the tight definition of the standard and that the type of review and how it is undertaken should be driven by the needs of the patient – consultant led versus consultant delivered. It was also noted that if the standard was too loose there would be too much room for interpretation. DT suggested a product from the pilots could be some clear definitions.</p> <p>It was noted that whilst the council had been asked to look at standard 8 there was a wish to focus more broadly on 7/7 services.</p> <p>Any further comments can be directed to Jessica Stokes at <a href="mailto:Jessica.Stokes@phe.gov.uk">Jessica.Stokes@phe.gov.uk</a></p> <p>Those interested in being involved in future Standard 8 reviews contact Sue Edwards</p>	BB/SH
5.	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p>There was no other business</p>	
6.	<p><b>Meeting Dates 2015</b></p> <p>18 June – the Belfry, Cambridge PLEASE NOTE that this is now a longer meeting to accommodate the panel review</p> <p>14 October – venue tbc</p>	

Agreed by senate council 18<sup>th</sup> June 2015