



Shropshire & Staffordshire Pharmacy Local Professional Network (LPN)

Terms of Reference

<i>Purpose</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Pharmacy LPN will work closely with Commissioners, Health & Wellbeing Boards, other Networks, Clinical Senate, providers and patients to ensure that the contribution of Pharmacy is maximised in the improvement of outcomes and reduction in health inequalities. 	
<i>Core functions</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work with NHS England and CCGs to develop and help implement the primary care strategy Provide clinical leadership to ensure robust commissioning of all locally enhanced services Support the Health & Wellbeing Boards on the development of the Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment Work with key stakeholders to drive improvement in outcomes, in line with local and national priorities Act as a vehicle for clinically led and clinically owned delivery of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Best outcomes for patients that reflects local need Quality improvement Best use of NHS resources Planning and designing integrated care pathways Leadership and engagement Support the development of new programmes of work to promote self care and improve long term conditions Work with patients and other health care professionals to deliver the medicines optimisation agenda Support the sharing of learning from medication incidents and Serious Incidents Requiring Investigation (SIRIs) to help improve patient safety Develop an annual work plan highlighting the priority improvement workstreams for the year including a local professional leadership development plan (supported by the LETB) in the first year Support LETBs in workforce planning and identifying educational and training needs in the pharmacy workforce 	
<i>Members</i>	<i>Quorum</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chair (appointed) Deputy Chair Patient representative(s) *Local Pharmacy professionals from across the pharmacy spectrum covering: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community pharmacy Hospital pharmacy Primary care pharmacy Academic pharmacy Other specialists, such as public health Area team representation <p>*Members will not be appointed to represent a professional interest or particular sector. Members will be appointed for the quality of their leadership, professional credibility, knowledge and added value they will bring.</p>	<p>At least four members of the total membership, of which one must include Chair or agreed deputy chair</p>
<i>Frequency</i>	<i>Accountability</i>
<p>The LPN will meet on a quarterly basis. The LPN Chair will agree the agenda with members input. The agenda and papers will be distributed to members not less than five working days in advance of the meeting.</p>	<p>The LPN will be advisory and have accountability to the Director of Commissioning at the Shropshire & Staffordshire Area Team.</p>