

MB ratified the following approval decisions and noted discussions from its Subcommittees:

**Frimley ICB Medicines Optimisation Group (MOG):**

- **Novo pen 6 and Novo pen echo device Insulin pens** – Approved for addition to formulary
- **Viscotears HA Rebate** - Prescrip approved Viscotears HA rebate supported for implementation
- **Position statements reviewed and updated:**
  - **001 Adrenaline Autoinjector Supply**
  - **002 Items which should not be routinely prescribed in primary care**
  - **003 Position statement Conditions for which over the counter items and other items should not routinely be prescribed in primary care.**
  - **005 Guidance for patients travelling abroad**
  - **015 Continuous Glucose Monitoring (CGM)**
  - **016 Treatment of Dental Pain and infections in Primary care**
  - **017 Prescribing and dispensing of Methotrexate 10mg Tablets for non-oncology indications**
- **Water for Injection Change of formulary Traffic Light status** – Changed from Red to Green Traffic light status
- **Hydroxycarbamide Shared Care Protocol**- : Approval for primary care to undertake prescribing of hydroxycarbamide in myeloproliferative disorder patients who are well controlled on hydroxycarbamide. Monitoring will be undertaken by the specialist team. After 6-month period, review to be done with intention of primary care also taking on monitoring for these patients (Subject to funding agreement). Secondary care to continue doing annual reviews and give ad hoc support to primary care when needed
- **Blood Glucose Test Strips (BGTS) Document updated**- Bringing document in line with recently issued NHSE review. AgaMatrix Agile TM becomes available from September/October and so WaveSense Jazz will remain on the formulary until this time.
- **Pharma Industry funded grant for comms campaign about environmental impact of healthcare** – Approval for Frimley ICB to accept grant
- **Lilly Joint working agreement** – Lilly offering £54k grant to pay for test strips and support clinical time to address health inequalities by undertaking HBA1C testing in hard to reach subsets of our population. Approval given for this joint working project to proceed
- **Methotrexate Shared Care Agreement**- RMOC template wording amended slightly and also use by ophthalmology in peripheral ulcerative Keratitis incorporated into document.
- **MOCH Falls Good Practice Guideline** – Approved
- **Testosterone transdermal gel for low libido in Postmenopausal women**- Guideline approved
- **GLP1 supply problem patient information leaflet** – Approved
- **GLP1 shortage guidance** - Approved

### **Frimley ICS Medicines Safety Group**

- Position statement:
  - **017 Prescribing and dispensing of Methotrexate 10mg Tablets for non-oncology indications** – Approved by MSG and by MOG

### **Other Decisions / Discussions**

**COVID Medicines Delivery Unit Update** – Business case reviewed by SRG and approval given for continuation of current service model now this was a ICB responsibility as opposed to being funded by NHSE

#### **Antimicrobial Stewardship Group**

From September, Frimley ICS to look into reducing amoxycillin course lengths in some indications to 5 days. South west region had achieved considerable reductions following this initiative. Similar work to follow with Doxycycline

Following NHSE funding variation there is a 5 year implementation period for this technology within the NHS. Frimley system will be prioritising children and young people, people planning pregnancy people with high uncontrolled HBA1c (over 69s). Anyone over 58 qualifies under the NICE criteria, our focus will be on on over 69s in years one and two, then move to lower age categories subsequently.

#### **Community Pharmacy**

Supply chain most serious challenge – pharmacies taking one day per week to source stock, stocks going out of date at short notice, wholesalers applying quotas, credit account limits reached so pharmacies unable to order new stock till funds transferred.

GP Community Pharmacy Consultation Service -Frimley made good start in GP referrals into pharmacy, but now declining. BOB ICS had overtaken Frimley in CPCS referrals. Investigation needed to ascertain what could be done to improve referral rates.