

Notes from school nurse forum meeting 13th September 2011

Present: Tracey del valle, Ann Hourihan, Teleri Roberts, Michelle Nightingale, Maria Rayner, Lucretia Baptiste, Christine Jackson Hayward,, Varsha Shah, Lynda ?

Apologies: Michelle Sobande, Andrea, Fiford, Maria Stephens-Row, Margaret Wilcox, Denise Hopkins, Charlotte Thompson, Karen Hansford, Jo Mitchell, Kate Hutchings, Jess Streeting, Betsy Allen,

Matters arising:

- Members read through the draft school nurse briefing and manifesto and made suggestions to improve it. In particular, members were adamant that all children, whether at school or not, should have equity of access to the outcomes of the Healthy Child Programme (5-19)

Addendum: the Manifesto was launched at the **annual professional conference** and is enclosed with these minutes. The briefing is nearly ready for publication.

- Members finalised the questionnaire which went into the Community Practitioner Journal in October.

Alison Higley, chair of the National Professional Committee came and spoke about commissioning and how school nurses need to network, and suggested inviting GPs and other commissioners including non-execs out to see the work we do. She also reminded us of the benefits of keeping in touch professionally and attending local professional forums.

Election of chair and deputy chair for forum:

Chrissie Jackson Hayward kindly offered to be **deputy chair**, but as no one came forward to offer to be chair, this item was carried over to the next meeting.

Publications

- We discussed future publications for the forum, and decided that there was need for an Induction Programme for school staff nurses (band 5). Many areas have local plans, and so members are requested to send these in and Chrissie has kindly offered to collate them.
- We also need a factsheet defining the differing roles of school staff nurses and qualified school nurses. The Welsh Government was doing work on this in 2010 and Teleri will look into it.
- We need an article in CP Journal with up to date information about profiling schools and caseloads.

School nurse forum meeting dates for 2012

Fri 3rd Feb

Thurs 14th June

Thurs Sept 20th

Enc: Unite/CPHVA manifesto
Agenda for next meeting