



WESSEX
Local Medical Committees

What is the LMC?

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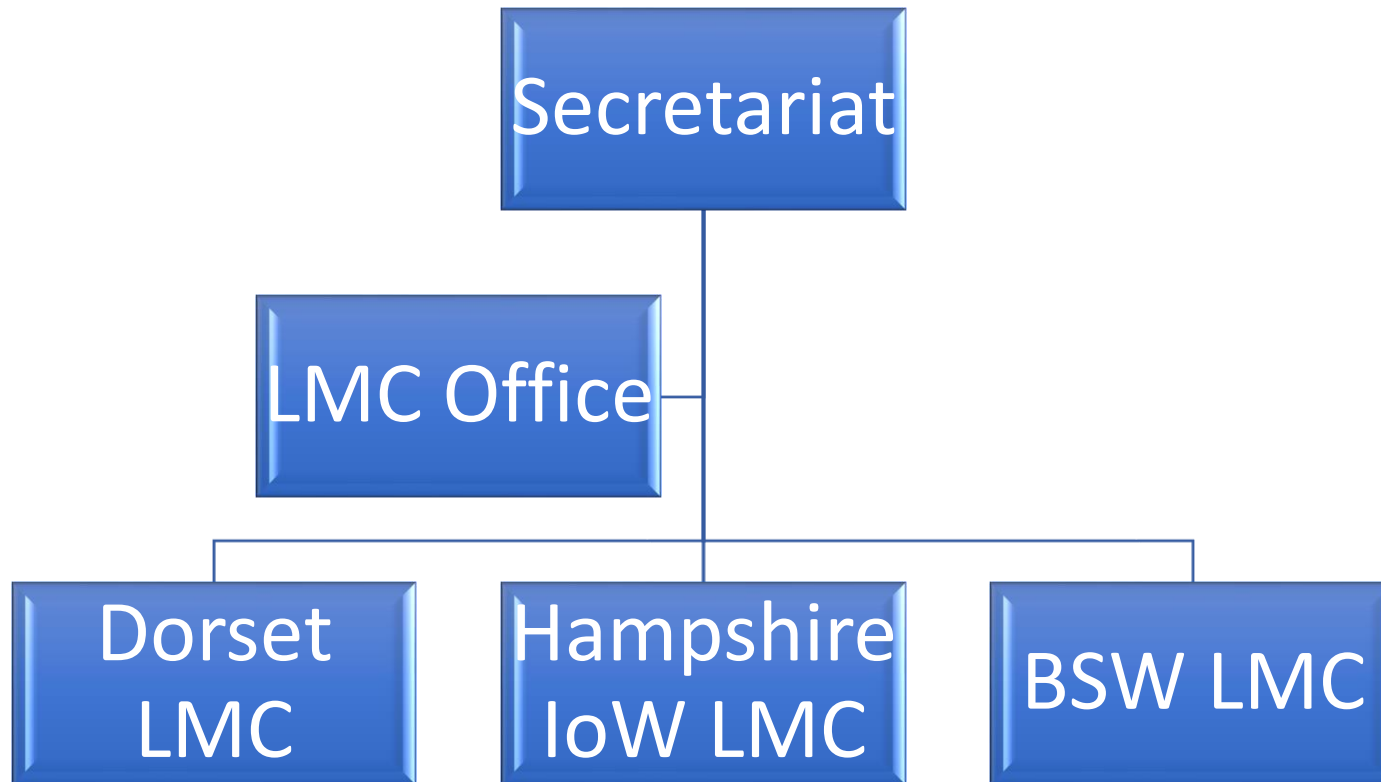
What is a LMC?

LMCs vary in size and are a committee recognised by statute as the representative body for all **General Practitioners** whether GMS, PMS, principal, sessional, locum or registrar.

What is Wessex LMCs?

- Each of the three committees are the legal bodies recognised in statute
- They function independently of each other
- Wessex LMCs Ltd is the company established to support the three committees
- It is governed by the Directors of the company – the Chairs and Vice-Chairs of the three committees that form the Secretariat
- The CEO is the Company secretary
- Wessex LMCs is the employing organisation for the office staff

LMC Structure



What is our Constitution?

- The rules around how we conduct our business on an operational basis
- Each committee has its own constitution but they mirror each other closely
- The Secretariat also has its own constitution and contained within it are the Articles of Association

What's in the Constitution?

- The rules around the running of the committees
e.g. Election of members, meetings, voting, levy, expenses
- The Articles of Association
- Code of conduct and accountability
- Roles and Responsibilities of the Committee Members
- Signed Declaration of Acceptance

Who attends LMC meetings?

- Elected members – geographical or sessional seats - Voting
- Co-opted members – to represent specific GP roles, e.g. Education and training, OOH, vacant seats - Voting
- Invited members – to bring expertise to the committee, e.g. practice manager members – Non-Voting
- Attendees – Non-Voting
- Observers – Non-Voting

What role do the Committees play?

- The statutory recognised body representing GPs
- Provide a democratic mandate for the work of the office
- Send representatives to LMC Conference to set policy for GPC
- Agree a consensus view that informs and develops LMC policy
- Set the Levy

What role do the individual Members play?

- Be the eyes and ears on the ground for the LMC
- Provide information to the LMC office on local issues
- Seek the views of colleagues and be prepared to represent those views, even if they conflict with your own
- Provide expert opinion and knowledge for the work of the committee
- Uphold the values of the LMC when representing your colleagues
- Take part in the work of the LMC including conference attendance
- Attend Meetings
- Take part in training that the committee has determined to be mandatory
- Disclose interests

The PM member

- 8 PM members – 3 Hants, 3 BSW and 2 Dorset
- Important as **subject matter experts**
- **Bring view of the broader practice team**
- The person to approach if PMs wish to bring views to LMC meetings
- Not a representative seat
- Nominated rather than elected
- Appointed every 2 years with election cycle

What is expected of Members of our Committees?

- Representativeness (selflessness)
- Integrity
- Objectivity
- Accountability
- Openness
- Honesty
- Leadership