



on behalf of East Sussex, West Sussex and Surrey
Local Pharmaceutical Committees

Welcome to our 4th PCN special bulletin

- The contents of this email should be brought to the attention of the pharmacy manager for action.
- Where a pharmacy is owned by AIMp or CCA members the pharmacy manager may wish to refer to any guidance from their head office via their area manager

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Community pharmacists working in 63 out of 64 primary care networks (PCNs) in Surrey and Sussex have nominated their lead pharmacist, enabling around 555 pharmacy owners to now claim their PCN funding under the updated pharmacy quality scheme (PQS).

In this issue

- what you need to do to if you are a contractor in Surrey and Sussex and you want to claim for the PCN domain of PQS

Commenting James Wood, CEO at Community Pharmacy Surrey and Sussex, on behalf of the three local pharmaceutical committees, said everyone at the three LPCs was delighted that so many community pharmacists had come together to collectively nominate peers to represent their collective views at almost every PCN in Surrey and Sussex.

Of the one area still to nominate a lead pharmacist he said:

“West Byfleet will take a bit more time to negotiate because of a unique situation that had not been realised at the outset.

“Guildford East, Haywards Heath Villages and South Tandridge were the final areas to be agreed last week once their contractors had a chance to discuss and agree the nominations”, he added.

He advised the six contractors in West Byfleet areas to check the [PCN pages on Community Pharmacy Surrey and Sussex website](#) regularly for updates and to contact the staff team at Community Pharmacy Surrey & Sussex if they wanted to discuss.

If all pharmacies claim, the PCN domain of PQS will bring around £525,000 into pharmacies across Surrey and Sussex.

Here's what you need to do to if you are a contractor in Surrey and Sussex and you want to claim for the PCN domain of PQS:

		<i>Deadline</i>	<i>How</i>	<i>Notes</i>
1	Submit the name of your appointed Pharmacy PCN Lead along with their ODS code and name of the pharmacy they work with.	11.59pm on Friday 28 February 2020, although we strongly recommend you do it earlier in the claim period which is now open.	<p>Here is the page on our website that you will need to visit.</p> <p>Scroll to and click on the blue link called '<i>List of appointed PCN leads by area</i>'. <i>The information on this list is up to date as of 10:30 06/02/20. Further updates to follow.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- If your PCN area is listed in Green on the above list it means your PCN area has an appointed PCN lead.- If your PCN area is listed in Amber or Red on the above list please refer to the PCN lead Vacancies list below.	<p>We are still helping some areas to appoint a Pharmacy PCN lead.</p> <p>Current progress and gaps are on our website. Scroll to and click on the blue link called '<i>PCN Lead vacancies</i>' <i>The information on this list is up to date as of 10:30 06/02/20. Further updates to follow.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- If your PCN area is listed in Red on the above list it means no one has expressed an interest in becoming PCN lead.

The LPCs will contact all newly appointed Pharmacy PCN leads very soon to discuss what happens next and to help them make initial contact with the clinical director for their PCN.

More information

- [NHS England incentivises pharmacists to nominate PCN lead for community pharmacies](#) (news article in Pharmaceutical Journal)
- [Primary care networks: A briefing for pharmacy teams](#) (NHS England)
- [Guidance for contractors on the PCN domain of the PQS](#) (PSNC)
- [Surrey & Sussex PCN special \(issue 1\)](#) 26 September 2019 | [Surrey & Sussex PCN special \(issue 2\)](#) 29 October 2019
- [Don't be concerned if you have not yet been invited to help set up emerging primary care networks \(PCNs\)](#), says head of primary care for NHS England's South East Local Regional Office (News: May 2019)
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