

Local news, views and support for community pharmacy teams

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We recently sent out a survey asking for your views and about your interactions with dentistry, and the response we received was overwhelming – thank you to everyone who took part. Our survey is now closed and the results have been passed to PSNC to present as evidence in current contract negotiations.

In this week's newsletter, we highlight nine topics relevant to community pharmacy Sussex and Surrey

We hope you are all doing okay, thanks for all your efforts in such strange times.

Local news

➤ Senior councillor writes thank you letter to community pharmacy

The chairman of West Sussex Health and Adult Social Care Select Committee has written to all West Sussex community pharmacy teams, thanking them for all their hard work during the pandemic. The letter was distributed from the LPC on 11 June to West Sussex community pharmacy NHS mail addresses [Read more](#)

➤ PPE

Across Sussex and Surrey, organisations have come together to fill the gaps where PPE is in short supply or not available. Mutual aid arrangements are being created for primary and community care colleagues to collectively support each other through gaps in supply of PPE

- [Read more here](#), choosing P for Personal Protective Equipment and going to point 2: obtaining emergency supply of PPE from Local Resilience Forums (emergency only).
- The use of PPE is part of an assessment by contractors to ensure pharmacies are COVID-secure for patients, the public and staff, which is important for their safety and as part of a contractor's health and safety and Terms of Service responsibilities.
- Read PSNCs most recent [guidance on facemasks and face coverings](#), updated 15 June 2020

➤ Dentists

We are hearing that around 25% of dentists working in primary care in Surrey & Sussex are now returning to practice in 'new normal' ways. As result you may start to see some paper FP10D prescriptions again. Others remain working remotely and will continue to need to make requests for emergency supplies at the request a of prescriber. [Read the dental SOP here](#) and also choose D for dental remote prescribing from our [A-Z guide](#)

➤ First full year of data shows clear TCAM progress

Activity data for the first full year of the pathway, which enables hospital trusts to send secure online messages to community pharmacists to identify patients in need of extra help with their medicines after leaving hospital, clearly show a drop in activity as the Covid-19 pandemic took hold in April. [Read more](#)

Views

- **The findings of Professor David Wright's independent review into community pharmacy contractor support and representation is to be published on Friday (19 June)**
 - Read [Surrey and Sussex LPCs inputs to the review's consultation](#)
 - A contractor webinar has been arranged for 29 June. Read more and register [here](#).
- **Surrey and Sussex pharmacy teams urged to contribute to new PSNC audit which will help to inform national funding negotiations**
 - [Read more](#) on PSNC website
 - We are told you can count this as one of your clinical audits for 2020/21, so taking part should both contribute to your contractual requirements and help with your CPD for the year

Support

- **Locally Commissioned Services**

We encourage all contractors to use PharmOutcomes to log any activity for all locally commissioned services provided.
- **New on our website**
 1. CPPEs current [online and web-based workshops](#)
 2. [TCAM and the Discharge Medication Service \(CPSS briefing note June 2020\)](#)
 3. In our [A-Z](#)
 - F – Face masks in primary care settings (see also P for PPE)
 - P – Pre registration Pharmacist Training Grant
 - T – Test and Trace (Covid-19)
- **Medicines management in East Surrey**

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