



This LPC bulletin is for community pharmacy contractors, managers and team members in Surrey and Sussex. It contains local information and local news items, local diary dates and other local topics to help effectively manage NHS and locally commissioned contracts.

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LPC News

AGMs:

Our Annual Meetings for 2021 are now just weeks away. The meetings are being held virtually again this year. All are **FREE** to attend for all contractors in Surrey and Sussex. Attendees will have the opportunity to hear from local community pharmacy leaders, as well as expert speakers from within and/or outside our sector.

To book your space please click on the relevant link below:

East Sussex, 21/09/21: [Click here to book](#) (Please note this event is now online only)

West Sussex, 28/09/21: [Click here to book](#)

Surrey, 29/09/21: [Click here to book](#)

Please share and promote these annual meetings to your colleagues and encourage them to sign up to attend.

Local Services

Surrey County Council Flu Service

Call for expressions of interest: Surrey County Council Flu Vaccination Scheme for Employees.

SCC has agreed to extend the flu immunisation programme to eligible SCC employees to receive the free flu vaccination.

The vaccinations will be administered to individual staff presenting a valid ID at community pharmacies commissioned to provide the service. More information and service specification coming soon.

Please express your interest now. Email lpc@communitypharmacys.co.uk

Deadline 17th September 2021

Sussex Assisted symptom-free Testing Service - A reminder to block out any times/days on the portal whereby the pharmacy is closed e.g. Bank holidays or the pharmacy is unable to deliver the service because of an unplanned closure or other reason. This is to ensure patients do not book and travel to the pharmacy expecting the appointment to be fulfilled- if you are unsure how to do this, please contact lpc@communitypharmacys.co.uk

Practical support and advice for pharmacies across Sussex and Surrey

Save the Date - Area/Regional Manager Forum for CCA/AIMp

20th October 2:00pm-3:30pm

Specifically designed to foster a collaborative network of support across the patch and provide support for services that are commissioned and contractual - More information and invites to follow

Service Support Clinics

Bookable 30 minute or 1 hour timeslots available for 1-2-1 support on the 23rd September and 30th September between 9am and 4pm conducted via Teams or telephone please email mariehockley@communitypharmacys.co.uk to request a timeslot.

PQS 2021-2022 – NMS Gateway Criteria

Reminder – To complete the Gateway Criteria to the NMS element, on the day of the declaration, the contractor must have claimed payments for the completion of a minimum of 20 NMS (and/or catch-up NMS) between 1 April 2021 to 5 January 2022. If the pharmacy has not completed any NMS yet year to date there is only 4 months remaining to complete this gateway criteria.

Training

Brighton and Hove Healthy Living Pharmacies - A reminder that the link for the next training session on **Wednesday September 15th** is now open: Click [here](#) for more information.

The session will begin at 14:00 and will run for approximately 90 minutes. The aim of this session is to help you understand the local insight data packs (which were circulated on July 30th) and how best to use them. As a reminder, pharmacy attendees will be paid £50 on return of their completed evaluation forms.

Brighton and Hove Smoking Cessation training sessions for Pharmacies, this training will be delivered via Teams on two dates the 21st of October and 28th October 2021 (choose your preferred date) Click [HERE](#) to register.

Newsletters

- Please find the [link](#) here to the third update on the Initial Education & Training of Pharmacists from Health Education England. This issue provides an update on their work to support the reform to the initial education & training of Pharmacists and the foundation training year 2021/22.

- Please find the link [here](#) to the Surrey Heartlands Health & Care Partnership Newsletter August Edition.
- Please find the [link](#) here to the September Edition of Heads up from West Sussex Healthwatch.

Additionally you might be interested in.....

Asylum seekers – if they are supported by the National Asylum Support Service (NASS), NASS will automatically send a NHS Low Income Scheme HC2 certificate entitling them to help with health costs including free prescriptions. For prescriptions their exemption will be HC2 and cross no evidence seen if they haven't yet received their certificate.

Free event – How to age well in the 21st century. This event is taking place from 15:00 onwards on the 14th of September at the De La Warr Pavilion, Bexhill-On-Sea. It is aimed at improving your mental and physical wellbeing by meeting local groups, healthy lifestyle tips and finding activities to suit you. For more information and how to register click [here](#).



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