



This LPC newsletter 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

East Sussex Integrated Trainee Pharmacist Programme

Sent on behalf of Audrey Haddon Lead Pharmacist Education and Development East Sussex Healthcare Trust.

East Sussex Healthcare Trust are looking for local Community Pharmacies to join their integrated trainee pharmacist programme for the 2023/24 cohort and will be holding a stakeholder event end of January 2022. If you are interested, please contact Audrey – see details below.

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CPCS IT deadline approaching: Have you confirmed your choice of system?

The national procurement of IT support for the CPCS is due to finish at the end of March 2022. Contractors that want to continue providing the service must, therefore, confirm their choice of CPCS IT system by no later than **February 2022**. Those contractors who choose to stay with their current IT provider still need to confirm this. [Learn more about the CPCS provider pays model](#) here.

Note GP CPCS referrals via EMIS Patient Access or PharmRefer which is in place across Surrey and Sussex will continue to be sent via PharmOutcomes at no cost. An IT provider needs to be agreed and in place for any GP CPCS referrals via NHS mail or NHS 111 referrals.

Complete PSNC's Pharmacy Pressures Survey

PSNC is increasingly hearing from pharmacy teams who are struggling to cope with ongoing financial and operational pressures, and who are concerned about the impact that the strain on the sector will ultimately have on patients.

PSNC are continuing to raise this with policy-makers, making clear the consequences that their decisions are having. To further support those discussions, they have today launched two surveys to gather more data on the pressures that everyone working in community pharmacy is under and the impact that this is having.

These surveys will give PSNC a snapshot of the scale of the problems and the survey results will be used in their ongoing discussions with NHS England & NHS Improvement (NHSE&I) and the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC). They will also help them to continue to make pharmacy's case in our conversations with MPs, Ministers and through the national media.

There are two separate surveys, one for [Pharmacy business owners/head office representatives](#), and the other for [Pharmacy teams](#). [Find out more about PSNC's Pharmacy Pressures Survey](#).

Free PPE extended

The offer of free personal protective equipment (PPE) for frontline health and care staff has been extended until 31 March 2023. For more information click [here](#).

Local Services

Brighton and Hove HLP

The alcohol campaign is live, please share your photos with roisin.thurstan@brighton-hove.gov.uk. Don't miss out, please ensure you claim for participating in this event on PharmOutcomes.

EHC Surrey

Please inform Surrey County Council if you are unable to provide the EHC service on certain days, or unexpectedly, to ensure that the patients are signposted effectively. Please email carolyn.seymour@surreycc.gov.uk.

NHS Health checks East Sussex

We are delighted to announce that the commissioner has agreed an uplift in fees for provision of this service. This increased fee is now live on PharmOutcomes.

Training

Surrey NHS Health Check training event on the 28th of February via MS teams. Book a place and find out more about the session via the link [here](#).

Smoking Cessation Workshop West Sussex

Thursday 3rd of February 2022 09:30 - 15:45

To book a place click [here](#).

Just type smoking into the Keyword box and the training session will be displayed to be able to request a place on it.

CPPE Asthma focal point online workshop 26th January at 7pm

Register on the CPPE website [here](#) to join the workshop on Zoom. The workshop underpins PQS respiratory domain and is open to pharmacist, pharmacy technicians and trainee pharmacists.

Newsletters

To read the latest edition of the NHSE&I Primary Care Bulletin click [here](#).

To read the January edition of the CPPE update Newsletter click [here](#).

Additionally you might be interested in.....

Viatrix free educational webinars and materials

To view the Women's Health treatment navigator + other educational resources including on demand webinars etc. click [here](#).

To view the Anaphylaxis website – to view the How to page for patients click [here](#).

Dates for upcoming webinars:

Wednesday 9th Feb – South Coast Allergy Webinar: The One-Airway Concept and the Management of Allergic Rhinitis in Primary Care. Speakers Dr Neil Banik Kent and Medway CCG, GP Respiratory Lead and Dr Shamim Toma, ENT Consultant, Medway Maritime Hospital.

Register [here](#).

Look out for more details and links in due course.

Thursday 10th March – HRT.

Thursday 24th March – Allergy – focus on Allergic Rhinitis & Anaphylaxis.

