



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

### **CPCS IT deadline approaching end of February: Have you confirmed your choice of system?**

The national procurement of IT support for the Community Pharmacist Consultation Service (CPCS), will cease at the end of March 2022. It is therefore vital that community pharmacy contractors that want to continue providing CPCS, confirm their choice of CPCS IT system by **no later than 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022**. Failure to do so could impact referrals and service continuity.

#### **Action to take:**

- NHS 111 and GP CPCS NHS net referrals. Speak to your provider of choice – if this is a new provider or your intention to move to them or even if you wish to stay with your current IT provider e.g. PharmOutcomes you will still need to confirm this to them by the 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022.
- GP CPCS referrals sent via EMIS Patient Access or PharmRefer systems (all surgeries in Surrey Heartlands and Sussex CCG's use this). No actions to take - referrals will still be made into PharmOutcomes even if another provider is used for NHS 111 referrals. There is no charge to community pharmacy for using PharmOutcomes for GP referrals sent via EMIS or PharmRefer.

The link [here](#) takes you to the PSNC information on the different provider pays systems.

## Local Services

### **OUT NOW! Important, please complete - Brighton & Hove's PNA survey with community pharmacies.**

The local authority would like to hear from every pharmacy that provides services in the city. The more pharmacies that respond the better they will be able to understand service need. Please complete the survey as soon as possible or no later than midnight on Sunday 6 March. Please click [here](#) to go to the survey. Please email [david.golding@brighton-hove.gov.uk](mailto:david.golding@brighton-hove.gov.uk) if you have any questions.

### **Brighton and Hove HLP**

The alcohol campaign is live, please ensure you claim for participating in this event on PharmOutcomes.

### **CPCS and DMS**

Please remember to check PharmOutcomes and clear through any outstanding referrals.

## Pharmacy Quality Scheme

### **Gateway Criteria - NMS**

The PQS NMS data is [here](#) which shows if contractors have claimed payments for the completion of 20 or more NMS to the end of December (to meet the Advanced Services Gateway criterion, contractors are required to have claimed payments for the completion of a minimum of 20 NMS's between 1st April 2021 and 5th April 2022).

## Training

### **Funded places available before March 2022: Independent Prescriber Training for Pharmacists**

Following HEE's [letter of 15th December](#) regarding the emerging NHS Pharmacy Integration Programme offers, they are delighted to share with you further detail about an initial offer of funded Independent Prescribing courses for eligible pharmacists. HEE have been working with universities who offer GPhC accredited IP and CEPIP courses, to provide an initial offer for courses that will be available before March 2022. This opportunity will benefit pharmacists who are already in a position to apply and meet the eligibility criteria, and meets the requirement to progress this training as early as possible for community pharmacists and employers who have signalled they are ready to proceed. For those pharmacists who are not in a position to apply for this offer, HEE would encourage you to prepare to apply for the main round of funded Independent Prescriber training that will be available from Autumn 2022.

HEE are also working to develop the full range of other education and training provision as part of the 2021-24 Pharmacy Integration Programme and will share information and timelines with you

when these other offers are confirmed. The letter [here](#) provides further information on eligibility criteria, course providers and the application process. For more information visit the HEE website [here](#).

### **Surrey Sexual Health Service C-card and Chlamydia / Gonorrhoea Testing**

This training event is specifically designed for pharmacies who intend to, or are providing C cards, EHC and Chlamydia / Gonorrhoea Testing. The aim of the session is to explain the Chlamydia and Gonorrhoea testing Programme in Surrey, to provide an overview of Sexually Transmitted Infections, to provide a clear understanding of the C-card Scheme and support the training requirements of the service specification.

Pharmacy training dates (only one session needs to be attended) – Book a place now

**17th February 2022**      19.30 - 21.00 [here](#)

**10th March 2022**      19.30 - 21.00 [here](#)

**14th July 2022**      19.30 - 21.00 [here](#)

### **Surrey NHS health checks**

To relaunch the service, Jason Ralphs has organised a training webinar to support

delivery of the service on the **28<sup>th</sup> of February via MS teams**. Book a place and find out more about the session via the link [here](#).

**Brighton and Hove Cessation training, a face-to-face event for Pharmacy and GP staff only**

**This course is restricted for Pharmacy and GP staff only. When you book a place on this course, please state which Pharmacy/GP surgery you are from. This course will take place on the 23 February 2022 at 12:30 - 16:30** Venue: Whitehawk Community Library. To book click [here](#).

**Brighton and Hove**

**Brighton has the following courses available to book on now. Please click on the links to find out more and register**

**Royal Society Public Health (RSPH) Level 2 Award in Encouraging Vaccination Uptake**

It is delivered via 2 sessions, Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March and Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April 9:30am-1pm via zoom. Please see full details / book [here](#).

**Making Every Contact Count** Tues 1<sup>st</sup> Feb, 9:30-12:30 via zoom - 2 places left. Click [here](#) for details.

**RSPH Level 2 Understanding Health Improvement (Workplace Health Champions)**

Tues 8<sup>th</sup> Feb; Tues 15<sup>th</sup> Feb and Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Feb, 10-12:30 via zoom. Click [here](#) for more details.

**RSPH Level 2 Supporting Behaviour Change (Health & Well-being)** Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup>

Feb; Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March and Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March, 9:30am-1pm via zoom. Click [here](#) for more details.

**Making Every Contact Count** Weds 9<sup>th</sup> March, 9:30-12:30 via zoom. Click [here](#) for more details.

**Advanced Behaviour Change** Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March, Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March, Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April and Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April 10-1 via zoom. Click [here](#) for more details.

## Newsletters

To read the latest NHS E&I Primary Care Bulletin click [here](#).

To read the January edition of the West Sussex Prescribing News Bulletin click [here](#).

To read issue 46 of Hints & Tips for Dispensing Contractors click [here](#).

To read the latest edition of East Surrey Medicines Management Team update click [here](#).

## Additionally you might be interested in.....

### **East Sussex - Get your overdose reversal training and receive a free first aid kit!**

Are you working in an environment where someone is at risk of an opiate overdose, for example, offering a drug and alcohol support service? If so, you can sign up to a free overdose first aid training session run by CGL and St Johns Ambulance. During your session, you will learn how to recognise and respond to an overdose and shown how to dispense a nasal opiate reverser (Nyxoid) to help save a life. On completion of the training, you'll receive a free first aid kit, Nyxoid spray and a window cling to display where you see fit, this shows the medicine is available on site for an emergency. [Book your training now.](#)

### **Reducing the environmental impact of asthma inhalers - 8 February 2022, 10.30-12 - online**

The national AHSN Network is hosting a series of sharing and learning events that aim to share best practice innovations and initiatives to support the delivery of a net zero NHS. The next event focusing on reducing the environmental impact of asthma inhalers will take place online on Tuesday 8 February 10:30am to 12pm. The event is open to anyone working in the NHS with an interest in environmental sustainability but will be of particular interest to those working in primary care, respiratory clinicians, pharmacists interested in respiratory and NHS sustainability leads. **Register [here](#).**

#### **About the event**

- Introduction – Kathy Scott, Director of Operations and Deputy Chief Executive Officer at Yorkshire and Humber AHSN and co-sustainability lead for the national AHSN Network
- NHS policy on inhaler use – Sarah Ouanhnon, Senior Net Zero Delivery Lead, Greener NHS Programme
- Overview of the Sentinel Programme – a multifaceted approach which aims to reduce the over-use of SABA inhalers to improve asthma outcomes and reduce the environmental impact – Dr Michael Crooks, Respiratory Consultant, Hull University Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust
- How to reduce the carbon footprint of inhaler prescribing in Primary Care – Dr Aarti Bansal, GP and Founder of Greener Practice
- Pharmacy inhaler recycling schemes – speaker to be confirmed

**Soar Beyond presents a Diabetes webinar - Type 2 diabetes guidance: helping you see the wood for the trees.** The event will take place on Tuesday **8th February 2022 at 20:00 - 21:30** a virtual workshop [Type 2 diabetes guidance: helping you see the wood for the trees - i2i Pharmacists](#) click [here](#) to book a place and for information flyer click [here](#).



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