



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

Pharmacy contract changes NHSEI and Integrated Care Boards - What does this mean for community pharmacy, optometry and dental services in the South East Region?

When ICBs are legally established on 1 July 2022, Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) will be abolished and absorbed into their local Integrated Care Board (ICB) which will also commission primary medical services.

From 1 July 2022 all six ICB's in the South East (Sussex, Surrey Heartlands, Frimley, Hampshire & IOW, Kent & Medway and Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire & Berkshire) will take on delegated responsibility for NHS England's community pharmacy, optometry and dental commissioning functions under powers set out in the Act. This provides an opportunity to remove organisational silos and integrate pathways of care for the benefit of patients.

As part of the operating model for delegation of community pharmacy, optometry and dental services in the South East, the NHS England primary care team (who will remain employees of NHSE/I) will work as a hub on behalf of the 6 ICBs. The

ICBs will take responsibility through the governance arrangements. This will help ensure a smooth transition with pharmacies able to continue working with a team which already has knowledge and expertise about you and the service you provide.

The first point of contact for community pharmacy contractors will continue to be the existing NHS England teams.

If you have any questions on this, please do not hesitate to contact us at lpc@communitypharmacyss.co.uk.

Local Services

Hypertension Case Finding on PharmOutcomes

The hypertension case finding service will be moving to a national commissioning footprint on PharmOutcomes in July and made available to all pharmacies signed up via MYS to deliver the service. Only the national service will be linked with the NHSBSA via their API to direct service claims into MYS. Work on claim management has started and they hope to have this completed in the near future.

Hypertension Case Finding service templates that have been made available to date if the pharmacy held their own PharmOutcomes licence (this was the case with a few of the larger pharmacy companies) will have an end date set of 31st July and will be removed from commissioner footprints from the second week of August 2022. From mid-July, pharmacy teams who were using this template will see two sets of Hypertension Case Finding templates in their "Services" page, the national service will be tagged as an "Advanced Service". Further information is available [here](#).

Training

Attention all Pre-registration Trainee Pharmacy Technician (PTPT) employers and system leads

Following HEE's recent webinar to employers outlining Health Education England's (HEE) process to support the expansion of Pre-registration Trainee Pharmacy Technician (PTPT) training capacity, please see below further information outlining the process for Expressions of Interest (EOI).

HEE is seeking expressions of interest from employing organisations between **27 June 2022 – 17 July 2022**. The [guidance document](#) outlines the minimum requirements employers must meet to be eligible to receive funding, as well as detailing the EOI process in full.

Funding

£46,099 will be available per PTPT over the 2-year apprenticeship training period. This funding is intended to contribute to the cost of developing and running a two-year programme and may be used to contribute towards the cost of salary, educational supervision or establishing educational infrastructure.

Funding will be available to support the training of PTPTs through various models:

- **Cross Sector** bids (e.g., 2 or more organisations forming a partnership where the trainee/s will rotate)
- **Community Pharmacy** bids (e.g., individual community pharmacy employers)

Application Process

Application for funding is through an EOI submitted via an [online application](#) form. Only applications submitted via the online form will be considered. The application window is **27 June 2022 – 17 July 2022**.

Application templates has been provided ([Cross sector partnerships application](#), [Single sector application](#)) and it is advised this is completed (with partners for cross-sectors bids) and saved so information can be copied and pasted into the online

form. This copy can then be referred to if the evaluation panel seeks clarification during evaluation of bids.

Applications must be received via the online form by 17 July September 2022. Successful applicants will be informed by 05 August 2022.

If you have any questions or require further support, please contact the HEE National Pharmacy team at pharmacyteam@hee.nhs.uk stating 'PT Workforce Expansion Cohort 4' in the email subject header.

PCN Lead

Thank you to our PCN Leads for continuing to support pharmacies with the Hypertensive Case Finding Service and gathering information to share with the GP surgeries under the PCN Lead enhanced service.

Additionally you might be interested in.....

Surrey Heartlands CCG High Risk Medicines educational session

Wednesday 13th July from 12.15-1.45 pm

High risk medicines are an area of priority for Surrey Heartlands and following the CD audits that are being completed in GP practices, the CGG medicines optimisation team are seeing an increase in requests around deprescribing of opioids and benzodiazepines in people who have become dependent on these medicines.

We have put together an exciting Agenda which will include the following areas

- Dr Fiona Robinson , Consultant i-access, SABP – What is the difference between addiction & dependence? Dependence on benzodiazepines/z-

drugs, opioids and gabapentinoids. Practical advice for managing patients dependent on these medicines – Top Tips and Red Flags; Referral criteria to i-access.

- Jayesh Shah, Primary Care Pharmacist, Case Study and how a practice has successfully reduced its benzodiazepine prescribing.
- Lis Stanford, Primary Care Pharmacist, Useful resources in NICE NG215 [Overview](#) | [Medicines associated with dependence or withdrawal symptoms: safe prescribing and withdrawal management for adults](#) | [Guidance](#) | [NICE](#)

The session is open to all GPs, Nurses, Pharmacists, Pharmacy Technicians, Paramedics and any other interested Health Care Professionals.

[Click here to join the meeting.](#)

Management of Allergic Rhinitis in Pharmacy and Anaphylaxis Update sponsored by Viatris on Tuesday 19th July 7pm-8pm

Guest speaker Ashish Shah GP Practice pharmacist / Advanced / Senior PCN pharmacist for Ealing GP practices and PCNs.

The aim of the webinar is to provide a promotional education session around anaphylaxis, the new pharmacokinetic/pharmacodynamic modeling data, what is anaphylaxis, what to do, how to use the pen and the importance of branded prescribing/twin pack and safety and an update on the management of allergic rhinitis and information on products that can be offered. Book a place on Eventbrite [here](#).

Public Health campaigns in July to support healthy living

There are two public health campaigns in July that you could choose to promote in the healthy living area of the pharmacy.

- Summer Health – Stay well this summer, providing Precautionary messages especially heat safety and sunscreen.

- On The 25th of July, a 6-week campaign called 10-minute shake up designed to encourage primary aged children to get active over the summer holidays – reducing childhood obesity.

Additional resources to support hypertensive case finding service can be downloaded from the following websites:

British Heart Foundation (BHF)

BHF have produced a series of leaflets about the main risk factors for heart and circulatory diseases: <https://www.bhf.org.uk/informationsupport/support/healthy-living/understanding-risk-factors> which include:

- [Understanding blood pressure](#)
- [Understanding smoking](#)

Blood Pressure UK

This link takes you to translated blood pressure information in various languages:

<https://www.bloodpressureuk.org/resources/publications/translated-blood-pressure-information/>

Let's communicate cancer training

The British Oncology Pharmacy Association's (BOPA) Let's Communicate Cancer training has now been added to the Health Education England e-learning for healthcare website. The course is aimed at all members of the pharmacy team and consists of four modules aimed at helping pharmacy team members to communicate better with their patients about cancer. [Learn more about this training.](#)

SE Leadership Academy

The SE Leadership Academy recently launched a new System Leadership e-learning course as well as a couple of other leadership development. All of these are free of charge to access and open to all colleagues working in health, care, local authorities, and voluntary sector partnerships.

Available on this link [Foundations in Systems Leadership; Collaborating for Health and Care](#) is open to all colleagues working in health, care, local authorities, and

voluntary sector partnerships who have a desire to improve the way they collaborate across organisational, professional, and hierarchical boundaries to design and deliver better health outcomes for the communities they serve. It's a 5-week virtual training course to learn about cross-sector collaboration and understand why systems leadership is so important. This is the link to the e-book:

[Foundation-in-System-Leadership-eBook](#) for more details

E-learning resource available on this link [Leadership Learning Zone](#)

Modules include:

Coaching skills	Managing through change
Influencing stakeholders	Effective communication
Talent management	Systems leadership
Time management	Imposter syndrome
Stress management	Resilience
Introduction to leadership	Unconscious bias
Understanding yourself	Equality and diversity
Managing people	Interview skills
How to give feedback	Action learning set and Appreciative enquiry

Available on this link [Edward Jenner programme – Leadership Academy](#). The programme consists of 4 levels, each requiring approx. 4 weeks of learning plus an assessment to gain the NHS Leadership Academy Healthcare Certificate of completion.

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