

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

### Christmas and New Year Opening

Please note that New Year's Day (Sunday 1st January 2023) is a normal working day for community pharmacy opening hours. If the hours that the pharmacy wishes to close early are supplementary hours, then notice of that intention should be given at least three months in advance. If they are core hours, then an application is needed, and the contractor would have to satisfy NHS England that there have been changes to the needs of people in the area, otherwise the application is likely to be refused.

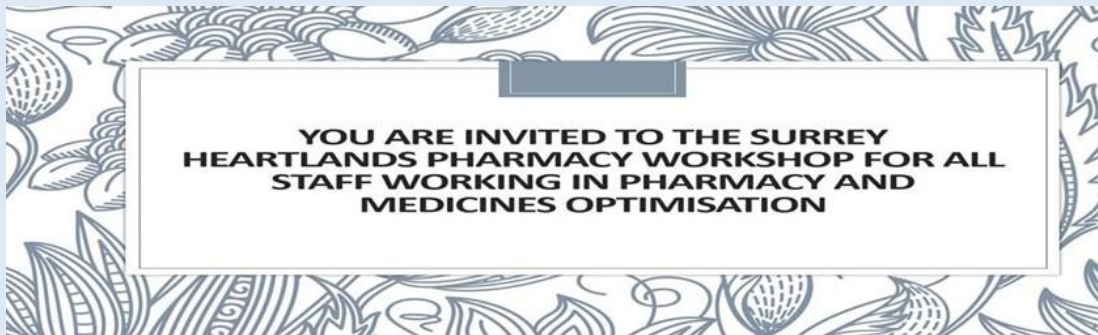
If contractors want to reduce their hours, for example, to close early on Christmas Eve, they must give notice to NHS England at least three months in advance, unless NHS England agrees otherwise. **Therefore, the last day to give notice for 24th December, for any guaranteed reduction in supplementary hours, is on 24th September** and NHS England must receive the notification, for example, by email, on or before that date. Unless you have notified NHS England of changes to your supplementary hours at least three months before the date, or applied successfully for amendment of core hours, you are unlikely to be able to close early.

## Local Services

### **West Sussex Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment consultation**

Just a quick reminder that the West Sussex Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) consultation is now in its final week, **closing on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> August**. If you haven't already done so, please take some time to review the draft PNA and **give your feedback**. The PNA and the feedback form can be accessed on the West Sussex [Consultation hub](#) or at [www.westsussex.gov.uk/pna](http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/pna).

The PNA is a statutory requirement that all Health and Wellbeing Boards are required to produce and publish. It assesses the current and future pharmaceutical service needs of the West Sussex population. It is used by NHS England when considering applications relating to NHS Pharmaceutical services provided by pharmacies, dispensing doctors, and dispensing appliance contractors.



The Surrey Heartlands Senior Leadership Team are delighted to invite you to attend one of our Pharmacy & Medicines Optimisation workshops planned across the Surrey Heartlands geography at different times, dates and venues. This invitation is open to all pharmacy staff across all pharmacy sectors.

#### **Area: Surrey Downs**

Date: Thursday 22 September 2022

Venue: Park Room – Leatherhead Golf Club, Kingston Road Ashted, Leatherhead, KT22 0EE

Start time: 09:30

Finish Time: 12:00

Replies to indicate attending a workshop to be received by 5pm on: 14/09/22

Refreshments and “eats” available from: 09:00

**Area: East Surrey**

Date: Thursday 13 October 2022

Venue: Garden Room - Reigate Manor House/Hotel, Reigate Hill, Reigate, RH2 9PF

Start time: 09:30

Finish Time: 12:00

Replies to indicate attending a workshop to be received by 5pm on: 05/10/22

Refreshments and "eats" available from: 09:00

**Area: North West Surrey**

Date: Tuesday 18 October 2022

Venue: Lake Room - Silvermere Golf Club, Redhill Road, Cobham, KT11 1EF

Start time: 09:30

Finish Time: 12:00

Replies to indicate attending a workshop to be received by 5pm on: 10/10/22

Refreshments and "eats" available from: 09:00

**Area: Guildford & Waverley**

Date: Thursday 20 October 2022

Venue: Cricket club Guildford – Guildford Pavilion, Woodbridge Rd, Guildford, GU1 4RP

Start time: 09:30

Finish Time: 12:00

Replies to indicate attending a workshop to be received by 5pm on: 12/10/22

Refreshments and "eats" available from: 09:00

**Area: East Surrey / Surrey Downs**

Date: Wednesday 28 September 2022

Venue: Warren Room - Kingswood Golf Club, Sandy Lane, Kingswood, Tadworth, KT20 6NE

Start time: 18:30

Finish Time: 21:00

Replies to indicate attending a workshop to be received by 5pm on: 20/09/22

Refreshments and "eats" available from: 18:00

**Area: Guildford & Waverley and North West Surrey**

Date: Thursday 29 September 2022

Venue: Pyrford Gold club, Warren Lane, Pyrford, Woking, GU22 8XR

Start time: 18:30

Finish Time: 21:00

Replies to indicate attending a workshop to be received by 5pm on: 21/09/22

Refreshments and "eats" available from: 18:00

The purpose is to bring Pharmacy Teams across the system together to share progress to date with our journey of Integrating Pharmacy & Medicines Optimisation and to enable networking face to face with colleagues.

### **Aims**

As a result of attending this session, participants will:

- Have networked with colleagues across Surrey Heartlands, meeting new people outside of our own organisations and gaining an insight into their role in the system
- Have received an update from the senior leadership team with Surrey Heartland's progress to date in our journey of integrating pharmacy & medicines optimisation
- Have reflected on, and discussed the benefits of, collaborating with colleagues within Surrey Heartlands and share where this has been seen within our own organisations
- Have reflected on, and discussed the challenges faced with collaborative working and what needs to be done differently to overcome some of these challenges

**Please e-mail Charlotte Kihlstrom [charlotte.kihlstrom1@nhs.net](mailto:charlotte.kihlstrom1@nhs.net) indicating the following:**

Your Name:

Organisation:

E-mail address:

Date and venue of the workshop you wish to attend:

Dietary requirements:

Please can you reply at your earliest convenience, but no later than the date specified for your workshop given in the table above.

Many thanks and we look forward to welcoming you at one of the workshops soon.

## Newsletters

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

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

### Know Your Numbers Week 5<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> September

This years' Blood Pressure Know Your Numbers week takes place between the 5<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> September. Further information is on the link [here](#).

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**The UK NHSE Chief Pharmaceutical Officers would like to invite you to take part in the independent UK Commission for Pharmacy Professional Leadership's Call for Evidence, please click [here](#) to take part. This online survey will be open until 16 September 2022.**

This is a great opportunity to share your views on pharmacy professional leadership with them.

The findings of the Call for Evidence will inform the Commission's work as it develops recommendations for the future of pharmacy professional leadership in the UK.

The Commission will look at five key themes:

- Leadership, policy and professionalism
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- Regulatory support
- Professional education and training
- Regional, country and international relations and engagement
- Scope of practice of future pharmacy professionals.

The Commission is co-chaired by Nigel Clarke, Former Chair of the General Pharmaceutical Council, and Professor Dame Jane Dacre, Professor of Medical Education at University College London Medical School.

Please visit the dedicated Call for Evidence webpage [here](#) to:

- Register for webinars that each UK country will host about the Commission
- Read more information about the Commission's work
- Take part in the online survey for the Call for Evidence

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