



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

PSNC CPCF Webinar

PSNC will hold an online contractor event on the CPCF for 2022/23 and 2023/24 on **Tuesday 4th October at 7.30pm: [book your place here](#)**. This will be a chance to hear from the Chief Executive and to ask questions about the arrangements. Further briefings and webinars, particularly on the new Pharmacy Contraception Service and PQS, will be announced in due course.

Reminder to update NHS website and DoS profile

Contractors are reminded of the Terms of Service requirement to ensure they verify and, where necessary, update the information contained in their NHS website profile and their Directory of Services (DoS) profile at least once each quarter of the financial year. For the current financial quarter, the deadline for completing this is **30th September 2022**. Currently **80%** of pharmacy contractors have validated their profiles.

Pharmacy Quality Scheme 2022/23

Initial details of the Pharmacy Quality Scheme (PQS) 2022/23 were released on 22nd September 2022, information on this years scheme can be found [here](#) (further details will be published as a Drug Tariff Determination shortly).

The 2022/23 scheme will officially begin on 10th October 2022 and will focus on supporting recovery from COVID-19 and wider national health priorities.

Training

East Sussex smoking cessation refresher course

If any pharmacies require training or refresher training for the locally commissioned stop smoking service in East Sussex, please directly email Tanya Sutton

Tanya.Sutton@oneyoueastsussex.org.uk.

Surrey NHS Health check training

If you are currently delivering NHS Health Checks or are in the process of restarting, then why not sign up for free NHS Health Check training to refresh your knowledge. [Read more](#).

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

Additionally you might be interested in.....

Invitation to Polypharmacy Community of Practice Surrey Heartlands - 18th October 2022

You may already have seen that The National Academic Health Science Network (AHSN) is working on a new national programme on **Polypharmacy: Getting the Balance Right**. The AHSN Polypharmacy Programme is helping primary care colleagues tackle potential harm from multiple medications through improved use of data, education and training, and public behaviour change. They are supporting the education and training by setting up a Community of Practice.

This will be the first Polypharmacy Community of Practice for Surrey Heartlands postponed from 13th September.

The AHSN asks that you **register** for this via Eventbrite [here](#) (even if you previously registered for the original date). It is important to do this so that they have an accurate idea of numbers for planning and as the joining link will be different and you will not be able to access the event via the old link.

Community of Practice (CoP) cultivates change through collaboration. It is self-organising, self-governing cross-professional and cross-organisational offering potential to reduce fragmentation of practice. The issues discussed are typically complex and beyond the scope of any individual, profession, or organisation. This is a network of key stakeholders that will meet regularly to support the delivery of this national programme, but also foster a culture of engagement, collaboration, learning and innovation to reduce problematic polypharmacy for their populations most at risk from harm.

The first meeting in Surrey Heartlands is via Teams on Tuesday 18th October 2022, 12-2pm. Register via the Eventbrite link [here](#).

Community of practice is an open invitation to all colleagues to learn from each other. Please circulate it widely within your teams.

If you would like to find out more about the programme, please contact us on kssahsn.medsops@nhs.net or visit [Polypharmacy Programme: getting the balance right - AHSN Network](#).

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