

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 MP Event – 15th November**

An email has been sent to all of our Surrey and Sussex MPs, to encourage them to attend a free blood pressure check and meet pharmacy leader's event in Westminster next month to support discussions on community pharmacy. Any feedback we get from the event will be shared with you.

# **Local Services**

# **Surrey Sexual Health service signposting information**

Young Peoples Sexual Health Clinics

The sexual health service in Surrey (Central North West London NHS Foundation Trust) have opened two new college based spoke clinics for young people:

- Strodes College, Egham TW20 9DR
- Nescott College, Epsom KT17 3DS

The clinics are open to people aged 25 and under, offering free and confidential contraceptive services (including implant fitting) and sexual health advice. Please note: Clinics are appointment only. Clinics are open to all people under 25, not just students attending those colleges.

To view other clinics and sexual health services in Surrey click here.

#### **Training**

# Surrey Locally Commissioned Service Sexual health online training for pharmacy staff

Training for pharmacy staff to provide an overview of Sexually Transmitted Infections, deliver EHC, Chlamydia and Gonorrhoea testing and the Condom Distribution scheme in Surrey which meets the requirements of the Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS).

#### Aim

• These sessions will provide the training for EHC, Chlamydia and Gonorrhoea testing and the Condom Distribution Scheme to support Pharmacists to enrol on the Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS).

# Objectives

- Provide an overview of Sexually Transmitted Infections.
- A clear understanding of the requirements of providing EHC, chlamydia and gonorrhoea testing and the Condom Distribution Scheme.
- To enable Pharmacists to provide the service under the Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS).

Please book onto one of the following dates:

16 November from 7pm

7 December from 7pm

10 February from 7pm 17 March from 7pm

#### **PQS**

# **PQS CPSS support days**

To support contractors with this years' 22/23 PQS scheme the following dates are available for one to one sessions with the CPSS team for any queries you may have.

10th November

17th November

25th November

1<sup>st</sup> December

To book into one of the days at a time convenient for you please contact <a href="mailto:lpc@communitypharmacyss.co.uk">lpc@communitypharmacyss.co.uk</a>. The sessions can be run either by phone or via a Teams meeting.

#### **Newsletters**

To read the latest edition of the NHSE Primary Care Bulletin click here.

Additionally you might be interested in.....

CNWL: The sexual health service provider in Surrey is offering free training for professionals

These training workshops are for professionals working in Surrey. The purpose of the

training is to support them to know what sexual health services are provided in Surrey, gain an understanding and the confidence to be pro-active in delivering health promotion messages, chlamydia screening along with condom distribution. This training is provided by CNWL's Sexual Health Outreach Team and is part of promoting a Healthy Surrey. Regular dates are available, please sign up on the link here.

There are five types of training:

- Sexual Health training for those providing services to the over 25s
- Awareness raising around sexual health including training on how to deliver
   Chlamydia screening and the free condom distribution scheme for under 25s
- The importance of looking after the Sexual Health of Young People.
- Pharmacy Training

#### **HEE Foundation Year Short Duration Placements**

# Do you have a trainee pharmacist or would be happy to host a trainee pharmacist for up to two weeks?

HEE London and the South East have developed a set of guides and workbooks to support organisations to develop **cross-sector short duration placements** for trainee pharmacists (lasting a maximum of 2 weeks).

These resources may be used to enable development of **new** cross-sector training partnerships and placements or with **existing** placements to strengthen and add additional structure to the placement. They have been created to be flexible and can be adapted locally as needed to suit organisations and local placement providers' resources and capacity.

The placement resources (guides, workbooks and FAQs) are available here.

Contact Jennifer Guffie, Early Careers Pharmacist Lead, for further information and support with developing cross-sector placements <a href="mailto:Jennifer.Guffie@hee.nhs.uk">Jennifer.Guffie@hee.nhs.uk</a>.

# **HEE Independent Prescribing training offers**

A brief reminder that applications for HEE-funded Independent Prescribing training offers are open. Many universities have multiple cohort start dates so it's a good idea to start planning now.

If you would like to know more about these popular training opportunities, please

check our website. There you will find a comprehensive set of Frequently Asked Questions and a list of approved course providers. <u>Link here</u>.

# **Surrey Carers Card to launch from January 2023**



In the UK, 2 in every 3 people will care for someone at some point in their life and with an est. 150,000 carers in Surrey, the new card will give peace of mind for those caring.

The card will support carers by:

- Give access to support, information, respite and signposting as well as recognition by their GP, Community Pharmacy, Council and community as the carer of an individual.
- Demonstrate that someone with care needs depends on them. Carers will have access to emergency care planning.
- Give Carers access to exclusive personal discounts and offers\* from the business community.

If you are a business interested in supporting carers, by signing up with an offer or discount, please contact the team at <a href="mailto:enquiries@crossroadscaresurrey.org.uk">enquiries@crossroadscaresurrey.org.uk</a> today.

\*Offers that are eligible for carers alone and will not be dependent on them accompanying the person they care for to receive the benefit.

Reminder: Have you signed up for priority access to utilities?

As part of business continuity arrangements, contractors are reminded that they can sign up for the Priority Services Register to boost their business continuity arrangements further. Run by the UK's utility companies, inclusion on this register should mean your pharmacy has priority access to electricity, water and gas supplies. Read more about how to sign-up.

### Pharmacy Campaign Pack to support flu and covid vaccinations

The UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) has created a <u>new pharmacy campaign</u> <u>pack</u> to support the flu and covid-19 vaccination programmes for 2022/23. The pack contains a set of assets targeted at pharmacy professionals to facilitate their existing communications with frequently asked questions and resources, helping to inform their patients' and customers' decision to have the vaccines.

This pharmacy specific resource pack can be downloaded directly from the UKHSA's Campaign Resource Centre by <u>clicking here</u>.

UKHSA have also created a supporting toolkit, which you might find informative and useful. Click here to download.

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