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**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



# Invitation

You are invited to the  
Community Pharmacy Surrey  
& Sussex Pharmacy  
Conference

Sunday 12th March 2023,  
10:00-15:30

At the East Sussex National  
Resort

**Join us for the upcoming our upcoming Community Pharmacy  
Conference.**

- James Wood, Director of Contractor and LPC Support at PSNC, about the future of pharmacy.
- Bekithemba Mhlanga, Pharmacy and Optometry Senior Commissioning Manager, NHSE.
- Shane Costigan, Regional Head of Pharmacy South East, HEE, to talk about funding to become an independent prescriber.
- David Lines, Public information Chair Surrey Narcotics Anonymous.
- CPD workshops.
- Nikki Peddle, Head of Prevention WS Fire & Rescue Service.
- Pharmacy 2023-24
- Pharmacy Successes and Innovations awards
- GPhC Peer Review (optional)

(full details of the agenda available on the sign-up page).

Dress code: Casual

**[To sign up for the event click here.](#)**

The agenda for the day is below and will include an award ceremony for the people you would like recognised and also a prize lottery for some extra treats.

The day will allow for plenty of time to catch up with your colleagues for networking which is much needed after the past couple of years.... and a wonderful Sunday Lunch.

## Local Services

### **Frimley ICB Palliative Care Service – Expression of Interest**

Frimley ICB is recommissioning the Community Pharmacy Locally Commissioned Service for the On Demand Availability of Drugs for Palliative Care. An email was sent to pharmacies on the 2nd of February from Yinka Kuye, the Community Pharmacy Clinical Pharmacy Lead for Frimley ICB with the service specification.

If your pharmacy would like to offer this service please email [frimleyccg.prescribing@nhs.net](mailto:frimleyccg.prescribing@nhs.net) confirming this.

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### **Frimley ICB Community Pharmacy Independent Prescribing Pathfinder Programme**

You may be aware of the launch of the community pharmacy Independent Prescribing Pathfinder programme, the aim of which is to establish a framework for the future commissioning of NHS community pharmacy clinical services, incorporating independent prescribing for patients in primary care.

Frimley ICS will be submitting an EOI. This is an exciting opportunity for community pharmacy, so if you are a community pharmacy IP and would like the opportunity to be part of the pathfinder programme and help transform the future of health service provision in Frimley then please complete the survey [here](#). It should take no more than 2 minutes to complete. **Please do so before 11.59pm on 15<sup>th</sup> February 23.**

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### **Surrey Dynamic Purchasing System**

In order to provide the Surrey Public Health services, Surrey County Council required all pharmacies to register on the ProActis Portal. Once registered you can bid for the services you wish to be commissioned for your pharmacy. Please ensure you do this before the **31st of March 2023**.

Please see a click [here](#) to view an instructional video on How to Join the SCC Community Pharmacy DPS to support the registration process. Once on the youtube page, the description underneath the video shows various links (called chapters) which allows the viewer to skip straight to various parts of the video, depending on what they need.

### **Training**

#### **Brighton Locally Commissioned Service; Naloxone Training**

The available training dates for Naloxone Training & Overdose Awareness are listed below.

Monday 13th Feb Start Time: 15:00 – 16.00 [book on here](#)

Wednesday 15th March Start Time 10:00 – 11.00 [book on here](#)

Tuesday 18th April Start Time 14:00 – 15.00 [book on here](#)

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#### **West Sussex Locally Commissioned services: Naloxone Training**

The Drug & Alcohol Wellbeing Network are hosting an online training session to increase awareness of signs and symptoms of an overdose and how to administer Naloxone.

Naloxone is a lifesaving medication that has saved lives of thousands of people throughout the globe. Each session will last for approx. 1.5 hours. At the end of the session, you will be issued with a Naloxone kit and a certificate.

**Date/Time Feb 14th 9.30 – 11.00 am**

To book on to this session please email [Ann.Etteridge@cgl.org.uk](mailto:Ann.Etteridge@cgl.org.uk).

## PQS

### **Antibiotic Stewardship Review data**

The NHS Business Services Authority (NHSBSA) has published a spreadsheet showing which community pharmacy contractors have submitted data for their antibiotic review as part of the Pharmacy Quality Scheme (PQS) 2022/23.

PSNC has been made aware that several contractors have mistakenly submitted their data before they had entered all their patient data. Therefore, contractors that are showing as orange are advised to check their data number is correct and if not, email the NHSBSA Provider Assurance Team on [nhsbsa.pharmacysupport@nhs.net](mailto:nhsbsa.pharmacysupport@nhs.net) for further support as soon as possible.

Contractors are also reminded that if they have conducted the audit over eight weeks but did not identify any patients for the review, they are still required to declare that no patients were identified as being suitable for review on the antibiotic review data collection tool on MYS by the end of 31st March 2023.

[View the PQS antibiotic review data \(scroll down to the Antibiotic Stewardship Review section to see the link to the Excel spreadsheet\).](#)

## Newsletters

To read the latest edition of NHS Frimley ICB Prescribing Newsletter click [here](#).

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

Additionally you might be interested in.....

**The Recognition of Excellence (RoE) Awards are back for their 10-year anniversary of championing the work of community pharmacy staff across the UK.**

Pharmacy teams from across the UK are encouraged to nominate themselves or colleagues before the closing date of 7 April 2023. For more information click [here](#). To download the flyer click [here](#).

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch with either Millie or Liz on [millie.browning@1530.com](mailto:millie.browning@1530.com) or [liz.coop@1530.com](mailto:liz.coop@1530.com).

**University of Brighton Pharmacy Careers Fair March 15th 1.30-3.30**

The pharmacy careers fair will be held on Wednesday March 15th, from 1.30-3.30pm in Cockcroft Hall. If any pharmacy contractor is interested in exhibiting at the careers fair please contact Liz Vassilakes on [Liz.Vassilakes@brighton.ac.uk](mailto:Liz.Vassilakes@brighton.ac.uk).

**Trainee Pharmacist vacancies for 2023-34**

If any pharmacy contractors are still recruiting for trainee pharmacists for 2023-24 and have any vacancies, please contact Lisa Knox on [L.Knox@brighton.ac.uk](mailto:L.Knox@brighton.ac.uk) and she will advertise the vacancies to the Brighton University students.

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