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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

### **Community Pharmacy in the delivery plan for recovering access to primary care webinar**

Marie Hockley, Deputy Chief Officer at CPSS was invited to present with David Webb, Chief Pharmaceutical Officer and Ali Sparke, Director for Pharmacy, Optometry and Dental on the 31st of May 23.

The webinar outlined the new developments and how community pharmacy teams play a greater role in providing clinical services to patients.

The webinar provided us a platform to showcase the [AccuRx model](#) pathway and highlight how the LPC is promoting, developing and building local relationships to enhance service delivery and collaboration within PCNs and across systems.

### **NHS Sussex News**

NHS Sussex published an article to recognise the integrated AccuRx model pathway and the work completed to support the hypertension case-finding service by CPSS and NHS Sussex.

[NHS tackles hypertension in the community with award nominated blood pressure check service - Sussex Health and Care \(ics.nhs.uk\).](https://www.ics.nhs.uk/news/nhs-sussex-tackles-hypertension-in-the-community-with-award-nominated-blood-pressure-check-service)

### **Local Services**

#### **Substance Misuse Locally Commissioned Service:**

#### **Core MAT Service Update East and West Sussex**

CGL would like to thank you for your ongoing support and commitment with the delivery of services, the new Core MAT Service launched on the 1st of April 2023.

The new Core MAT PharmOutcomes templates are now in use, superseding the current Supervised Consumption templates.

- The current Supervised Consumption PharmOutcomes templates will be left open until the start of June 2023 to allow you to submit any outstanding claims for the current financial year to 31st of March 2023.
- Please ensure you are only using the Core MAT templates for all new claims.
- Missed Doses need to be reported daily using the new templates.

If you have any issues with the new templates or financial claims, please do not hesitate to contact Tina Fowler CGL Pharmacy Liaison Lead, on 07789 414270.

### **Training**

**Surrey Sexual Health Service C-card and Chlamydia / Gonorrhoea Testing  
Training event Monday 19th June 2023 7pm-9pm**

The aim of the session is to provide training for the Condom Distribution, Chlamydia and Gonorrhoea testing Programme in Surrey, to provide an overview of Sexually Transmitted Infections, to provide a clear understanding of the C-card Scheme and support the training requirements of the service specification.

The training is open to all pharmacy staff who are providing or intend to provide the Condom Distribution service and the Chlamydia locally commissioned service. The training is online, please book [here](#).

**Brighton & Hove Community Pharmacy and Public Health Networking event  
on Tuesday 13th June 6.30-8.30pm at  
The Brighthelm Centre, Queens Rd, BN1 1YD.**

The purpose of the event is to recognise the hard work of community pharmacy teams in supporting the health and wellbeing of Brighton & Hove residents and to provide support for the Public Health Locally Commissioned Services.

This is an opportunity to hear from expert speakers in the areas of sexual health, stop smoking and healthy lifestyles and to answer any questions you may have about the service specifications. Other community and primary care providers have been invited to host stands at the Marketplace so there will also be an opportunity to network. To register for the event please click [here](#).

For more information contact [publichealth@brighton-hove.gov.uk](mailto:publichealth@brighton-hove.gov.uk).

**PQS**

**PQS 23/24 gateway criterion**

To qualify for the Pharmacy Quality Scheme (PQS) 2023/24 payment, pharmacy contractors will have to meet the Advanced Services – New Medicine Service (NMS) gateway criterion.

Contractors must have delivered a minimum of 15 NMS between 1st of April 2023 and the end of 31st of December 2023.

PQS will consist of the one gateway criterion (NMS) and three domains (Medicines Optimisation, Respiratory and Prevention) which supports national health priorities.

For further information on PQS domains and information for contractors who open or change ownership from 1st of June 2023 please view [here](#).

### Newsletters

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

To read the latest edition of Surrey Heartlands Medicines Safety Matters click [here](#).

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

#### **NHS training offers for Community Pharmacy professionals**

HEE have developed a Community Pharmacy Training Page on their website to make it easier for you to find out about NHS funded training offers for community pharmacy professionals.

New, fully funded, flexible training for community pharmacists is now available to help expand your clinical skills and improve patient care.

Courses include:

- **Independent Prescribing** - training to support patients from diagnosis to prescribing, providing advice and follow-up, and preparing to provide clinical care.

Courses are offered by a range of universities and education providers.

Please note: This funded training is available to community pharmacists including locums, and to [pharmacists in primary care, secondary care and Health and Justice](#).

- **Clinical Examination Skills** – offering a step towards Independent Prescribing and an opportunity to gain new specialist skills to increase your NHS role or to expand and refresh your diagnostic and consultation skills if you're already an IP.

Training is tailored to your skills, experience and individual learning requirements.

Complete the gateway module in approximately 1 hour online, followed by one of four specialist modules in cardiology, paediatrics, ENT or dermatology.

Optional in-person, practical training sessions are also available.

Visit the [Community Pharmacy Training Page](#) for more information and to register.

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### **Trainee Pharmacist Mock Registration Exam Sunday 18th of June**

The University of Bradford has a mock registration exam available for Trainee Pharmacists to book onto.

[Bradford Pre-Registration Pharmacist Mock Assessment 2023 | University of Bradford](#).

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