

## **Newsletter**

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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.

Visit our Newsletter page for an archive of previous issues. Sign up to CPE to receive nationally significant news and guidance on national contracts.

## **LPC News**



Community Pharmacy Surrey & Sussex receives
HIGH COMMENDATION at the Independent Pharmacy
Awards for Best supporting local representation.

## **Local Services**

## **Updated Email Address for ONPOS Helpdesk**

Any queries related to the ONPOS IT system should be directed to the ONPOS helpdesk <a href="mailto:admin@onpos.co.uk">admin@onpos.co.uk</a>.





# Brighton and Hove Wellbeing event Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October 10:30-13:00

At St Richards Community Centre, Egmont Rd, Hove, BN3 7FP
Community Pharmacy Surrey and Sussex and Brighton and
Hove Public Health will be at the event to highlight
community pharmacy services and how we can support
patients, please feel free to come along and support the
event.

For more information contact: <a href="mailto:claire.hines@hkproject.org.uk">claire.hines@hkproject.org.uk</a>.

### **Brighton and Hove Stoptober**

Stoptober is back, calling on smokers in England to join the 2.5 million others who have made a quit attempt with the campaign since it first launched. Over 5 million adults in England still smoke, and it remains the biggest behavioural cause of preventable illness and death, with 64,000 deaths a year.



This year's Stoptober mass quit attempt is as important as ever, with quitting remaining one of the best things a smoker can do for their health. That's why this year's Stoptober campaign is encouraging smokers to join the thousands of others who are committing to quitting for the month of October – quit smoking for 28 days and you're five times more likely to quit for good.

Stoptober offers a range of free quitting tools and information that you can use:

Main website, featuring own Personal Quit Plan and

### **Stop Smoking app:**

Quit smoking this Stoptober - Better Health - NHS (www.nhs.uk)

## **Stoptober Facebook page - Facebook Messenger bot:**

Stoptober | Facebook

## **Stoptober Facebook Stop Smoking group:**

Smokefree Quit Smoking Support Group | Facebook

# Supporting Stoptober campaign resources are available here:

<u>Campaigns | Campaign Resource Centre (dhsc.gov.uk)</u>

Local stats showing that our city's recorded smoking prevalence has fallen again, according to the most recent data (2022):

Local Tobacco Control Profiles - Data - OHID (phe.org.uk)

### How can you get involved?

- Support the campaign by promoting the locally commissioned service
- Promote local events
- Refer smokers to the B&H Healthy Lifestyles Team or the community pharmacy Stop Smoking Service
- Complete the NCSCT brief advice eLearning
- Direct people to B&H website using QR code



## **Training**



# Community Pharmacy PCN Leads Development Training Day

We are pleased to be able to provide a PCN Leads

Development Training Day in order to assist Community

Pharmacy PCN Leads in their roles.

This will take place on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October at the Sandman Signature London Gatwick Hotel (18-23 Tinsley Lane South, Crawley, England, RH10 8XH). Starting at 9.00am for coffee and will finish at 4.30pm. Lunch will be provided. Backfill cover of £400.00 will be provided to attend the day.

For full details and to book onto the event click here



Surrey County Council presents Providing inclusive services to the LGBTQ+ population training webinar Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October 7:00pm-8:30pm

This event is aimed at Community Pharmacy Teams in Surrey **ONLY** and is open to

all colleagues working in those community pharmacies.

Many service providers assume that because they provide their service to everyone that they do not need to make any changes to enable those that feel excluded to use their service.

This session looks at what you can do to make your services more accessible and inclusive for those that identify as LGBTQ+.

You are invited to attend an awareness session about the LGBTQ+ population. The session aims to: Identify support that may be required, improve knowledge and be able to confidently signpost appropriately.

## By looking at:

- Size of population
- Identity
- Specific health issues
- Sexual health
- Prejudice and discrimination
- Where you can signpost to statutory and voluntary organisations
- What you can do to make your service more inclusive

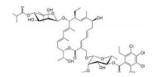
Please book your place here

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



## Additionally you may be interested in.....



# NHS Sussex – message for pharmacies receiving prescriptions for fidaxomicin

Where prescriptions for fidaxomicin are received by a community pharmacy, stock should be ordered at the earliest opportunity, for same or next day delivery from wholesalers on weekdays and should be able to be supplied to the patient in a timely manner.

Supply may be delayed during a weekend or bank holiday period.

If a patient presents a prescription for fidaxomicin to a community pharmacy during a weekend or bank holiday period and there is a delay in the pharmacy being able to supply this then the pharmacy can inform the patient that if their symptoms worsen, they should attend A&E for clinical assessment. Please note that A&E will not be able to supply the item against a FP10 but will be able to clinically assess the patient and provide any necessary treatment.

### **Breast Cancer Awareness Month**

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month please help to raise awareness of the importance of self-examination.

This includes a strong call to action for everyone to sign up to <a href="CoppaFeel!'s monthly text reminder service">CoppaFeel!'s monthly text reminder service</a> to check their chest.



## To sign up to CoppaFeel! and get your reminder click here

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