



# Community Pharmacy Surrey & Sussex

## Newsletter

01/02/24

*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.*

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## LPC News



### Pharmacy First

Well done to all the pharmacy teams across Surrey and Sussex who have successfully launched the new Pharmacy First service on Wednesday this week.

There has been great feedback on the start of the service this week.

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# Local Services

## Frimley ICB Translation services for pharmacies

If your pharmacy falls into Frimley ICB the following are the contact details for the providers of translation services in your area. The companies will be in touch with the pharmacy directly on how to access their translation services.



North East Hants and Farnham – The Big Word

- <https://en-gb.thebigword.com/> 03333 445720

Surrey Heath – Language Line

- <https://www.languageline.com/en-gb/> 0800 169 2879

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# Training



**The Brighton & Hove Drug & Alcohol Recovery Service are hosting a number of online training sessions for their partners to increase awareness of signs and symptoms of an overdose and how to administer Naloxone.**

They have now scheduled in some new Naloxone training dates for all Pharmacy Team members to attend. This is a great opportunity to learn more about using Naloxone and handing this out to anyone in the community. Service provision is claimable through PharmOutcomes.

Naloxone is a lifesaving medication that has saved lives of thousands of people throughout the globe. Each session will last for approximately 90 minutes.

### **Date/Time:**

5th February 2024 14.00 -15.30

19th March 2024 14.30 -16.00

23rd April 2024 10.00 – 11.30

16th May 2024 10.45 – 12.15

3rd June 2024 14.00 – 15.30

16th July 2024 11.30 – 13.00

7th August 2024 14.30 – 16.00

17th September 2024 11.00 – 12.30

17th October 2024 10.00 – 11.30

12th November 2024 14.00 – 15.30

11th December 2024 11.00 – 12.30

To book on to one of these sessions please email [BrightonHealthPromotion@cgl.org.uk](mailto:BrightonHealthPromotion@cgl.org.uk)

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**East Sussex Drug & Alcohol Wellbeing Network are hosting several online trainings session for their partners to increase awareness of signs and symptoms of an overdose and how to administer Naloxone.**



They have now scheduled in some new Naloxone training dates for all Pharmacy Team members to attend. This is a great opportunity to learn more about using Naloxone and handing this out to anyone in the community. Service provision is claimable through PharmOutcomes.

Naloxone is a lifesaving medication that has saved lives of thousands of people throughout the globe. Each session will last for approximately 2 hours. At the end of the session, you will be issued with a Naloxone kit and a certificate.

**Date/Time:**

13th February 2024 at 9.30-12noon

29th February 2024 at 2-4.30pm

12th March 2024 at 9.30-12noon

21st March 2024 at 2-4.30pm

To book on to one of these sessions please

email [laura.torrance@cgl.org.uk](mailto:laura.torrance@cgl.org.uk)



**University of Brighton**

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### **Pharmacist Independent Prescriber (IP) funded places with Brighton University for the March 2024 IP programme intake**

Sussex ICS funding is available for a limited number of Pharmacist Independent Prescriber (IP) places with Brighton University for the March 2024 IP programme intake.

Successful applicants for this funding must meet Brighton University IP programme admission criteria, currently working within Sussex and will be allocated a place on a "first come first served basis."

For further details on how to apply to the IP programme or the course itself please contact Connor Thompson ([C.Thompson3@brighton.ac.uk](mailto:C.Thompson3@brighton.ac.uk)) Programme Lead for PG Prescribing for Pharmacists, Brighton University or visit the University website [here](#).

The University deadline for application forms is **Friday February 9th**.

For further details or any queries on the above funding opportunity please contact Alice Conway [Alice.Conway@nhs.net](mailto:Alice.Conway@nhs.net) Pharmacy Transformation Lead- NHS Sussex.

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### **The Community Pharmacy and University Hospitals Sussex (UHSX) launch of the Advanced Smoking Cessation Service on Tuesday 13th of February 7pm-8:30pm.**

You are invited to attend the Community Pharmacy and University Hospitals Sussex (UHSX) launch of the advanced SCS service on Tuesday 13th February



7pm-8:30pm. Hosted by Community Pharmacy Surrey and Sussex with Guest speaker's Steve King NHS England SCS Implementation Team MLCSU, NHSE, EMIS and Hospital colleagues.

This service has been designed to enable NHS trusts to undertake a transfer of care on patient discharge, referring patients (where they consent) to a community pharmacy of their choice to continue their smoking cessation treatment, including providing medication and support as required. This is open to all our community pharmacies across Surrey and Sussex to support our teams to understand the process. Sign up [here](#).

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## PQS

Pharmacy contractors must claim payment for the PQS 2023/24 quality criteria during the declaration period, which is between 09:00 on 5 February 2024 and 23:59 on 1 March 2024.



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## Newsletters



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

To read Issue 54 of "Hints and Tips for Dispensing Contractors" please click [here](#).

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



**Invitation to the Sussex Polypharmacy  
Community of Practice on**

**21st February 12:00- 13:00**

There is still an opportunity to register for the Sussex Polypharmacy Community of Practice on 21st February. This is an open invitation to all colleagues

to learn from each other. **Please also circulate onwards- there is no need to have been at previous events and it is open to all colleagues who may also be interested.**

**Register for 21st February 12-1pm via the Eventbrite link [here](#)** and you will receive a link to join prior to the event. To download the flyer click [here](#).

**KSS Medicines Optimisation Team** - If you would like to find out more about the programme, please contact us on [kssahsn.medsops@nhs.net](mailto:kssahsn.medsops@nhs.net).

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**Surrey Heartlands Community of Practice**  
**20<sup>th</sup> March 2024 12:00-13:00**

**Register via the Eventbrite link [here](#).**

This is an open invitation to all colleagues to learn from each other.

Some of you may be aware of the first three events and of the programme but for those who are not The Health Innovation Kent Surrey Sussex (formerly KSS AHSN) Polypharmacy Programme is supporting our region's health systems and primary care to identify patients at potential risk of harm due to multiple medications and encourage better conversations about medicines.

If you are a Surrey Heartlands pharmacist with an interest in tackling polypharmacy then join colleagues online at the next Community of Practice on to share learning and support one another. We will follow up your registration with a calendar invite for your diary.

If you would like to find out more about the programme, please contact us on [kssahsn.medsops@nhs.net](mailto:kssahsn.medsops@nhs.net) or visit [Polypharmacy - The Health Innovation Network](#).

The Polypharmacy Programme directly supports the delivery of the **National Overprescribing Review**



**(NOR)** and the proposed aims and activities of the Polypharmacy Programme complements the work of the **National Patient Safety Strategy**.

For more information click [here](#).

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