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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



Final CPSS Funded CPPE Clinical Skills ENT Training 14th April 9.30am

CPSS are funding a final clinical skills ENT session with CPPE on the 14th of April from 09:30 at the Sandman Hotel, Crawley.

Please also let any locum pharmacists who work in Surrey and Sussex know about the event.

[To book your space click here](#)

Deadline extended for 2024 Pharmacy Pressures Survey

You now have until **12pm on Monday 8th April** to share your pressures views, helping Community Pharmacy England strengthen the case for action they put to policymakers.



Click [here](#) for more information.

Training



Hastings and St Leonard's PCN: TLHC Pilot service Community Pharmacy NHS Smoking Cessation Service Support for Targeted Lung Health Check Service

A fantastic opportunity to sign up for a new pilot service: Targeted Lung Health Checks, this project is currently underway in PCNs within Brighton however, due to its success we are now moving to **Hastings and St Leonards PCN in May**. As part of this service patients are asked about their smoking status and offered cessation support referred via NHS Mail to a pharmacy signed up for the pilot.

This pilot service dovetails onto the [advanced national smoking cessation](#)

service. For this pilot a patient is referred directly from the targeted lung health check clinician into a pharmacy signed up to the service. You must have capacity to deliver, a validated CO monitor, have met training requirements outlined in spec, commit to attend the training webinar on the 23rd of April on Teams at 7pm and be ready to receive patients via an electronic referral and submit result back to via a consultation tool.

As this is a pilot there will be a selection process based on national service sign up, geographical locations and access for patients.

Anyone who wants to provide this service will need to attend the webinar. Please see your pharmacy email inbox for the Teams invite and further information.

Please email LPC@communitypharmacys.co.uk if you have any questions, **please note this is only for pharmacies in Hastings and St Leonards PCN at this current time.**



For Brighton & Hove pharmacies only:

Healthy Living Pharmacies Training Update

A recording of the Delivering effective Alcohol Screening and Brief Intervention Training is now available on BHCC learning Zone.

Overview

This alcohol training video will help professionals identify individuals whose drinking might be negatively impacting their health and to be able to deliver simple, structured, brief interventions.

Duration

90 minutes

Assessment

There is a short assessment to complete after watching the video.

Learning Outcomes

By the end of this course you will be able to:

- Define and explain key messages around alcohol in the context of your role
- Recognise the importance of brief interventions and of addressing barriers to behaviour change.
- Explain the link between alcohol and a range of health issues and the benefits to drinking within the guidelines
- Practice using a screening tool
- Identify when and how to refer to specialist services
- Practice delivery of a simple brief advice and interventions
- Know where to get further resources.

Pharmacy staff working within a Healthy Living Pharmacy signed up to the locally commissioned service can claim £80 for completing this course via PharmOutcomes. For any queries please contact roisin.thurstan@brighton-hove.gov.uk.

To register for an account click [here](#). To avoid your request being rejected, please

ensure you fully complete the registration form and in the section “Reason for requesting an account” you must add ‘to access Health Promotion training’.

Newsletters

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



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

Additionally you may be interested in.....



NPA Member event 25th April from 6.30pm at the Sandman Hotel, Crawley

Join NPA colleagues to discuss their campaign for a better deal for pharmacies and share experience on the front line of primary care. At a time when pharmacies are facing crisis this is an opportunity for NPA members to join our member forum to share their experiences, meet colleagues and hear how we are pushing for the voices of pharmacies to be heard.

Speakers include Paul Rees, NPA Chief Executive, Nick Kaye, NPA Chair and other NPA Board Members.

[NPA Member event - South London & SE England » NPA.](#)

Note this event is also open to non-members of the NPA as well.

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(Insulin aspart 100 units/mL)

Trurapi insulin – increasing prescribing across Surrey Heartlands ICB

Trurapi is a rapid acting biosimilar equivalent to Novorapid insulin which local hospitals are now stocking, community pharmacies may start to see more prescriptions for it across Surrey Heartlands ICB.

For more information on retailer queries and Prescribing information click [here](#).

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