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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.

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LPC News



Book your place now: National pharmacy briefing event

Pharmacy owners in Surrey and Sussex are invited to join Community Pharmacy England for an online briefing event on **Tuesday 7th May from 7pm-8.30pm.**

The 'Critical Pressures and the Future' digital event is billed as an opportunity for

local pharmacy owners to hear about the work Community Pharmacy England is doing in critical areas, and to ask questions of its Committee and CEO.

Register now [here](#).



Reminder Annual Complaints Report – due by the 3rd May

Pharmacy owners must send a copy of their [annual complaints report](#) to the local SE Pharmacy Commissioning Hub. An email has been sent to the pharmacy shared email address on how to send this information back to the local team in April and also a reminder was sent last week. If you need a copy of the email contact us at lpc@communitypharmacys.co.uk.

Note this is a mandatory requirement for all pharmacy owners. If you are part of a multiple check with your HO as a central submission can be completed.

Local Services



Surrey Sexual Health Service introduces “Teen Tuesday”- clinics for 13 - 19-year olds

Surrey Sexual Health Service (delivered by CNWL) have extended the young people’s clinic provision:

- New Young People’s clinic in Woking on Tuesday afternoon open 3.00pm – 6.00pm, by appointment only. Appointments for sexual health, contraception including implants and PrEP.
- NEW Young People’s clinic in Earnsdale (Redhill) open 3.00pm – 6.00pm, by appointment only. Appointments for sexual health, contraception including implants and PrEP.

For more information, including other young peoples clinics in Epsom and Weybridge (for ages up to 25 years old), visit the sexual health service website:

[Surrey Sexual Health and Contraception | CNWL Sexual Health.](#)



Surrey Sexual Health service updates:

From the 15th of April 2024, the service are testing a new appointment booking facility for contraception telephone appointments and PrEP appointments. The new system will allow patients to register with the service, update their details, book, cancel and reschedule appointments.

In addition, this will save time for patients when they arrive for their appointments

as all their information will be stored on the electronic patient record. More appointment types will be added from May onwards.

Urgent walk-in times for Emergency Contraception, PEP and urgent access for 13-15 year olds at Buryfields (Guildford) and Earnsdale (Redhill) clinics have been extended. New times are 9.00am – 3.00pm, Monday to Friday.

The service have also moved toward the majority of appointments being available to book online. Further details and online booking is available [here](#).

For any queries on the above, please contact the sexual health Public Health Team: rachael.taylor@surreycc.gov.uk.

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To read the NHS Business Services Authority Hints & Tips issue 55 click [here](#).

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



Additionally you may be interested in.....



Locomotion Research study

Health participants required! A research study called Locomotion is investigating if

blood pressure and pulse rates can be used to diagnose long covid. The study now requires healthy volunteers who do not currently have covid or long covid.

Participants are asked to do a one off lying and sitting pulse and blood pressure and report this. It should only take 15 minutes.

Would your pharmacy be able to promote this study via social media? They would compensate you £50 for your time to post ethically approved wording about the study to let your community know about the study.

If you can support this study please contact Kate from the local Research Network at crnkss.studysupport@nihr.ac.uk.



Calling all current and prospective Designated Prescribing Practitioners (DPPs) in Surrey Heartlands and Frimley

Thank you to those who participated in the inaugural, collaborative Frimley and Surrey, multiprofessional IP/DPP focus group that was held last week. Your valuable insights and ideas were greatly appreciated and will help shape next steps. Over the coming weeks, the ICB's be reviewing your feedback and formulating an action plan.

A follow-up focus group session is scheduled for **Wednesday 26th June 2024** from **12:30 to 13:30**. If you haven't received an invite and would like to attend contact us

at lpc@communitypharmacyss.co.uk and we will send one onto you.

For reference, below are useful DPP resource links:

- NHS England Workforce Training & Education (WTE) Multiprofessional DPP resources site: [Supervision for pharmacist independent prescriber training | NHS England | Workforce, training and education \(hee.nhs.uk\)](#).

Free DPP Training:

- [Educational Supervisor Training for the Pharmacy Workforce - ProPharmace](#). This can be undertaken by any profession. It has 20-30 min bitesize online modules and certificate of completion.
- [Designated Prescribing Practitioners - Health & Education Cooperative \(hecooperative.co.uk\)](#). This is free - NHS staff considering the role of a DPP can self-register for an account. Modular e-learning (8 Modules, approx 30min each module) and Module Quiz - with certificate for each module. This is useful for new DPPs and focuses on theory of IP and DPP. You may choose which training course to undertake based on the requirements of the relevant HEI and your own Learning Needs Analysis.

Frimley ICS - If you haven't already, please complete the IP/DPP scoping survey using the following link: [Frimley ICB IP/DPP survey \(office.com\)](#).

Frimley contact email: frimleyicb.prescribing@nhs.net.

Surrey Heartlands ICS - If you haven't already, please complete the IP/DPP scoping survey using the following link: [Surrey Heartlands Independent Prescribing & Designated Prescribing Practitioner Scoping \(office.com\)](#).

Surrey Heartlands contact email: syheartlandsicb.ip-dpp@nhs.net.



CPPE Pharmacy technician impact groups - now open for bookings!

CPPE have a limited number of places on three pharmacy technician impact groups starting in May 2024. These are a series of small group sessions designed to support pharmacy technicians to build their confidence and develop their leadership skills further. They enhance the ability to undertake a professional approach to practice and lifelong learning. They also provide a networking opportunity with other pharmacy technicians in practice.

The sessions run over a 12-month period where groups meet six times at approximately eight weekly intervals. They are facilitated by a CPPE tutor who is specially trained in an action learning approach. The impact groups are open to any pharmacy technician in England, in any sector of practice, who deliver or support the delivery of NHS Services.

Click [here](#) to find out more information about the Pharmacy technician impact groups, or how to book a place. Please note, there are a limited number of places and demand will likely be high so act fast if you want a place for yourself or an employee.

If you have any questions, please email info@cppe.ac.uk.



Treating Tobacco Dependency Free Webinar

The Respiratory Network would like to flag a forthcoming British Thoracic Society BTS webinar on the 1st of May at 12:00 in case it is of interest to you. The webinar aims to support the recently published clinical statement into the medical management of inpatients with tobacco dependency.

[Click here to sign up](#)

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