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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.

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LPC News



## May LPC meetings

Sussex LPC and Surrey LPC held committee meetings in May. The day included:

- Discussion of current and future services development.
- Reviewing the new Terms of Reference for the Chairs Forum.
- An introduction to the changing NHS landscape with the formation of Integrated Community Teams in Sussex ICB and Integrated Neighbourhood Teams in Surrey Heartlands ICB. We are still awaiting details from Frimley ICB.

If you have any questions about this meeting or previous meetings, please contact us. All our meeting dates, agendas and ratified minutes are available on our [website](#).

Your next Local Pharmaceutical Committee meetings are in July, if you have anything you would like raised and discussed at this meeting, please let us know by following the link [here](#).

LPC meetings are open to observers, and we especially encourage community pharmacy contractors and their team members to join us and find out what we do.

Should you wish to attend an LPC meeting as an observer, just e-mail us at:

[LPC@communitypharmacys.co.uk](mailto:LPC@communitypharmacys.co.uk).

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## Local Services



### **Surrey Heartlands H Pylori Locally Commissioned Services**

Please be aware that if you are commissioned by Surrey Heartlands ICB to deliver the H Pylori service, prescriptions will be sent to you directly from GP Practices. The pharmacy should then conduct the test with the patient and send the results back to the GP Practice as outlined in the service specification.

Communication has recently been sent to GP Practices across Surrey Heartlands ICB to highlight the pharmacies commissioned for the service in their locality. Pharmacies commissioned are listed on the [Surrey PAD](#).

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## Training



**County Lines Awareness Webinar, hosted by CPSS – 3rd July 2024, 7-8pm**

This webinar will be delivered by Sarah Crosbie, County Lines Co-ordination

Manager at Surrey Police, and is being held for all those in Community Pharmacies who would like to know more about County Lines, what it is & how it works.

Attendees will find out what County Lines looks like in Surrey, about the exploitation of vulnerable victims, and the impact in local communities. Also, how Police and others work together in Surrey to tackle County Lines and support those affected, and how they can help.

Organisations across Surrey all have a role to play in helping to make local areas safe places to live, work and visit, and reducing drug-related harm continues to be a high priority for Police and other partners. The [Government's 10 year National Drugs Strategy 'From Harm to Hope'](#) emphasises the continued importance of tackling County Lines to achieve the first of its three strategic priorities namely, to 'break drug supply chains'.

Everyone has a part to play in recognising County Lines and supporting responses where they can, but your role in delivering services to Surrey residents may provide you with unique opportunities to spot signs of criminal activity and report concerns, helping to safeguard potentially vulnerable residents, supporting efforts to tackle these issues, and promoting resilience in your local communities.

Sign up to the webinar [here](#).

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## Newsletters

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



Additionally you may be interested in.....



**CPPE Pharmacy First Clinical Assessment Examination Skills 12<sup>th</sup> September**

We are delighted to say that CPPE are offering *Pharmacy First: Clinical assessment and examination skills* full day workshops at six venues around the country. These events are open for booking now. The events are supported by a medic, a clinical demonstrator and local CPPE teams.

The aim of the workshop is to improve your confidence with history taking skills, identifying red flags, and ensuring your approach is person centred as well as having time in a safe space to practice your hands on Ear Nose and Throat examination skills – all in one day!

The event in the South area is on **Thursday 12th September at The Charis Centre, Crawley**, with learning starting at 9.30am until 5pm.

For more information and to book click here;

[NHS Pharmacy First: Clinical assessment and examination skills full-day workshop : CPPE](#)

Don't miss out on this great opportunity and book now to secure your place. We expect these workshops to fill up fast.

If you have any questions please contact [Sarah.ridgwaygreen@cppe.ac.uk](mailto:Sarah.ridgwaygreen@cppe.ac.uk) or [afua.opare-anoff@cppe.ac.uk](mailto:afua.opare-anoff@cppe.ac.uk).

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### **Surrey Police urges everyone to beware of scams**

Surrey Police held an engagement session with GP practice patient representatives to highlight the risk of falling for scams that are circulating in Surrey. It is important to highlight the risk to patients and the resources below can help to support your vulnerable patients. They can be used in pharmacies to highlight scams and activity to your patients.

[Little book of big scams](#)

[Little booklet of phone scams](#)

[Little leaflet of cyber advice](#)

[Op signature courier fraud 2022](#)

[Op signature doorstep crime 2022](#)

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**Trurapi<sup>®</sup>▼**

### **Biosimilar insulin of NovoRapid<sup>®</sup> called Trurapi<sup>®</sup> Insulin now on the formulary**

Trurapi<sup>®</sup> insulin is now the preferred insulin aspart insulin in Surrey Heartlands ICB: [Profile : Insulin Aspart - Diabetes Mellitus \(res-systems.net\)](#) and many patients are being switched by clinicians from NovoRapid<sup>®</sup> insulin to Trurapi<sup>®</sup> insulin.

We have had reports of shortages for this Trurapi® insulin, but we are assured by Sanofi who manufacture Trurapi® insulin that there is plenty of supply and community pharmacists can source this easily from AAH and Phoenix. Please find attached a document that has details of who to contact should you find it hard to source Trurapi for your patients.

For more information on stock supply click [here](#).



### **Training resources available for over-the-counter Gina**

Please find below training and pharmacy resources/checklist for consultations etc, available on the Healthcare Professional section of the My Gina website

[MyGina](#) | Training resources for HCPs

[Pharmacy resources](#) | [MyGina](#) Pharmacy Checklist

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