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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

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PHARMACISTS DAY

Happy World Pharmacist Day!

Community Pharmacy Surrey and Sussex would like to take this opportunity to thank all our hard working community pharmacists who, despite facing immense pressures, continue to show their excellence. We are a resilient workforce and have proven time and time again we can handle the ever changing landscape of the community pharmacy world.

It can be tough to keep spirits high amidst the current climate of community pharmacy but today we reflect on the positives. We reflect on how community pharmacy is increasing becoming the first port of call for so many people and that would not be possible without our dedicated pharmacists working on the front line

everyday. We can reflect on how so many vital services are easily accessible to the public from pharmacies because of the trust pharmacists have built in their abilities to be exceptional health care professionals.

As we continue to navigate through uncertain times, lets take today to celebrate the many successes of pharmacists and appreciate the value we bring to healthcare.



Community Pharmacy Surrey and Sussex conference

On Sunday the of 22nd of September, we hosted our Community Pharmacy Surrey and Sussex conference at the East Sussex National and what a great event it was!

Firstly, a huge thank you to all our guest speakers for taking time out of their busy Sunday to be with us James Wood, CPE, Katie Perkins, SE Commissioning Pharmacy Hub, Paul Rees, NPA, Kat Hall and Jenny Stevens, NHS Workforce, Training and Education. We had great insights into the future of community pharmacy and an opportunity for our contractors to raise questions and have their concerns addressed.

This was followed by an awards ceremony to recognise and congratulate our hard-working pharmacy teams for a number of huge achievements over the past year.

The award winners are:

Community Pharmacy Hero of the Year award - *Helen Cary*, Boots Pharmacy and *Shubham Patil & Reza Semnani Jazani*, Clarity Pharmacy

Community Pharmacy Team of the Year - *Sidley Pharmacy*

Pharmacist of the Year - *Bhavik Vara*, Woodham Pharmacy

Inspiring Leader of the Year - *Ifesi Anyamene*, Godstone Pharmacy

Pharmacy Team Member of the Year - *Maryann Algar*, Woodham Pharmacy

PCN Lead of the Year - *Mary Boaitey*, Day Lewis

Local Relationships of the Year - *Godstone Pharmacy*

Service Achievement of the Year - *Jordan Back*, Westons Pharmacy

Above and Beyond Award of the Year - *Tina Fowler*, CGL

A thought-provoking quiz saw our teams battle over 15 questions with one team ultimately coming out on top with an impressive score (even our very own CPSS team were challenged!)

And finally, one lucky raffle winner went away with an Afternoon Tea for Two at the East Sussex National Hotel.

We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who took the time to join us for our conference and we truly hope you enjoyed yourselves as much as we did. The murmur amongst the attendees proved it was a successful networking opportunity with many guests leaving with new contacts. We hope these flourish into new beginnings 😊

Until next time, a heartfelt thank you from all the CPSS

team!

Training



Surrey County Council NHS Health Check Training Friday 8th November 09:30-15:30

Please sign up [here](#) for the training day being hosted by Surrey County Council if you would like to learn or refresh your learning around the NHS Health Check. Feel free to pass on to colleagues, and we look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible. If you are unable to make this date but would like to be considered for the next training day, please contact Will.King@surreycc.gov.uk.

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



Additionally you may be interested in.....



NHS England launch the Community Pharmacy Technician Apprenticeship Programme – Funding Opportunity

NHSE are excited to announce the launch of the Community Pharmacy Technician Apprenticeship Programme. This programme will support Pre-registration Trainee Pharmacy Technicians (PTPTs) to be employed and complete their full 24-month apprenticeship training within a **community pharmacy setting**. Upon completion of training and registration with the General Pharmaceutical Council (GPhC) this will support community pharmacy to utilise the expertise and knowledge of registered pharmacy technicians as part of pharmacy services and wider reform.

Funding Offer

NHSE are offering a training contribution of **£15,053 per trainee, per year for two years** (24 months) to support community pharmacies in developing a PTPT programme that meets the [GPhC IET standards for pharmacy technicians](#) and the [NHS England Education Quality Framework](#).

Next Steps

Application for funding is through expression of interest (EoI) submitted via an [online application form](#). The application window will open on **Monday 23 September 2024 until Sunday 13 October 2024**.

NHSE will be holding a number of webinars via MS Teams to provide more

information on the programme including the application process and how to access apprenticeship funding. These will be repeated, please use the link below to attend on your preferred date. You need only attend one webinar date.

- 11am, [Friday 27 September](#)
- 2pm, [Sunday 29 September](#)
- 1pm, [Wednesday 02 October](#)
- 7pm, [Tuesday 08 October](#)

If you have any questions, please email england.wtepharmacy.se@nhs.net with Community Pharmacy Technician Apprenticeship Programme in the subject field.



NHSE Newly Qualified Pharmacist pathway launch

NHSE are delighted to announce the launch of the Newly Qualified Pharmacist pathway for 2024/2025. This offering from NHS England aims to link the initial education and training reforms to a continuum of development into post-registration.

About the Newly Qualified Pharmacist pathway

The Newly Qualified Pharmacist pathway aims to support newly qualified pharmacists to experience a smooth transition into being an independent practitioner. There are four core elements of the pathway:

- **E-Portfolio:** Supports learners to assess their learning needs, develop an action plan, and reflect upon their experiences. The e-Portfolio provided is mapped to the RPS Post-registration foundation pharmacist curriculum and will enable

newly qualified pharmacists to develop through reflection on their practice, using work-based formative assessment and validated supervised learning events.

Learners may use alternative e-Portfolios, provided they are mapped to the correct curriculum.

- **Curriculum:** The [RPS Post-registration foundation pharmacist curriculum](#) is designed to support pharmacists progress from meeting the initial standards of education and training through to being confident practitioners who can provide increasingly complex care.
- **Learning resources:** Curated resources have been mapped against the curriculum domains. This virtual library will support the professional development of newly qualified pharmacists, based on their individual learning needs, and can complement resources available locally. [The learning resource library is available online.](#)
- **Access to supervision:** We will support access to supervision for all pharmacists on this pathway. Please see the [Newly Qualified Pharmacist pathway](#) webpage for more information.

The RPS Post-registration foundation pharmacist curriculum learning outcomes have been designed to develop prescribing competence. This means that the NHS England Newly Qualified Pharmacist pathway, using these learning outcomes, helps newly qualified pharmacists to develop the skills and competence they need to **prepare for a prescribing course.**

Further information about eligibility, timelines, funding and enrolment can be found on the [Newly Qualified Pharmacist pathway](#) webpage.



CPPE Community Pharmacy Technician: Advancing your Role Programme

CPPE offer a fully funded course that aims to develop the knowledge, clinical skills and behaviours of pharmacy technicians working in community pharmacy and the Health and Justice sector to increase patient access to clinical services by widening the skill mix in community pharmacy teams.

The programme will guide pharmacy technicians to reflect upon their existing transferable skills and identify development needs to support the readiness for advancing their role in practice to support service delivery.

The programme

- is a four-month structured development programme which supports pharmacy technicians working in community pharmacy
- takes a blended learning approach and offers a mix of online learning, face-to-face and online workshops, workplace-based practice, and peer support sessions.

For more information and details on how to enrol onto the programme, please visit the [CPPE webpage](#) here you will also find a recorded information webinar outlining the course programme.



Reminder SPS website for Medicines Supply Issues

The most up to date information about this and other medicine supply issues can be found in the DHSC and NHSE/I online [Medicines Supply Tool](https://www.sps.nhs.uk/home/tools/medicines-supply-tool/) at <https://www.sps.nhs.uk/home/tools/medicines-supply-tool/>. The Tool also details changes to resupply dates and updates to the entries. To access it you will be required to register with the SPS Website: <https://www.sps.nhs.uk/>. If you have any queries, please contact: DHSCmedicinesupplyteam@dhsc.gov.uk.



South East CVD Prevention Community of Practice members on behalf of Health Innovation Networks (South East Collaborative)

The Health Innovation Networks for Kent Surrey Sussex, Oxford & Thames Valley and Wessex (South East Collaborative) are excited to launch a new series of webinars focussing on cardiovascular disease.

The webinars are open to all healthcare professionals/clinicians and programme managers with an interest or role in the subject matter. Each online webinar

(delivered via MS Teams) will be led by local expert clinical speakers and will include examples of best practice.

Note: It is not a requirement to register for all three events, although please feel free to do so if of interest.

Webinar information and registration links below:

Lipid Optimisation - Thursday 26 September 12 - 1pm

Register here: [Here](#).

Hypertension - Thursday 7 November 12 - 1pm

Register here: [Here](#).

Heart Failure - Thursday 21 November 12 - 1pm

Register here: [Here](#).

As this event is open to all colleagues across and beyond the South East region with an interest or role in cardiovascular disease, please feel free to forward this invitation to anyone it may be relevant to.

For those unable to join, all the session/s will be recorded and made available with the slides on FutureNHS CVD Community of Practice page, to join the COP (use your nhs.net email or similar), click the link here: [CVD Central Community of Practice](#).

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