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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



Don't miss out, last few spaces available! CPPE and CPSS - NHS Pharmacy Contraception Service: delivering effective consultations to initiate contraception workshop (pharmacists only).

Together with CPPE we are running the NHS Pharmacy Contraception Service: delivering effective consultations to initiate contraception workshop. There are two different dates available if you would like to attend the course.

Sunday 9th February 2025, the course runs from 9.30am to 11.30am at the **Sandman hotel (Gatwick), Tinsley Lane South, Three Bridges, Crawley, RH10 8XH**. Tea and coffee will be available from 9am, please arrive in time to allow registration before the 9.30am start time. Sign up here. [09/02/25](#)

Thursday 13th February 2025, the course runs from 7.15pm to 9.15pm at the **Silvermere Golf Club, Redhill Road Cobham KT11 1EF**. Hot food will be available

from 6.30pm, please arrive in time to allow registration before the 7.15pm start time. Sign up here. [13/02/25](#)

Pre-workshop activities

The pre-workshop preparation for this event will be sent to you on registering for the event. To ensure that you gain the most from the workshop, please complete these activities in advance, which should take around three hours, depending on your prior knowledge and the self-assessment you will undertake as part of this task. You will receive a printed copy of the workshop book at the event. If you have any queries about the event, please email us at lpc@communitypharmacyss.co.uk.



CPE Pharmacy Pressures Survey 2025: It's time to share your views

Community Pharmacy England has launched its fourth annual Pressures Survey, and all pharmacy owners and staff are asked to share their views.

The survey provides crucial evidence as part of ongoing work to monitor and quantify the intolerable challenges facing the sector. Results will be used to raise awareness in the national media and Parliament, and to once again demonstrate the impact of the ongoing crisis in community pharmacy to Government and the NHS.

The survey is split into two parts: one for [pharmacy business owners/head office representatives](#), and another for [pharmacy teams](#). Both surveys are short and should take about 10-15 minutes to complete. They will be open until **23.59 on Friday, 28th February**.

Local Services



Message sent to Surrey Contractors via PharmOutcomes regarding Public Health services

The Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) used by Surrey County Council for their Public Health services has been extended for a further period of **3 years** from 1 April 2025 until 31 March 2028. Please see notice of extension [here](#).

Please acknowledge receipt of this message via PharmOutcomes, if you have any problems, please email Publichealthclaims@surreycc.gov.uk.

The screenshot shows two panels of service selection options. The left panel is titled 'NHS website services' and includes sections for 'Contraception services', 'Healthy living services', and 'Prescription services'. The right panel is titled 'Screening and test services' and 'Vaccination services'. Each option is preceded by a checkbox, some of which are checked.

Category	Service	Status	
Contraception services	Contraception supply (PH) service	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Emergency contraception (PH) service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	Emergency contraception (Ph) service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	PH pharmacy consultation or service (PH) service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Healthy living services	Health check (Ph) service	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Self health check (PH) service	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Stop smoking service (Ph) service	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Stop smoking service (Ph) service	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Stop smoking specialist service (Ph) service	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Weight management (Ph) service	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Prescription services	Medicine delivery (Pharmacy customer service)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	Medical supplies (Ph) service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	Medical supplies (remote service) (Ph) service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	Medical supplies (Pharmacy customer service)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	New medicine service (PH) service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	Specialist services or advice for specialist health professionals (Pharmacy customer service)	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Prescription delivery service (Pharmacy customer service)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	Specialist prescriptions provided by local practices (Pharmacy customer service)	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Screening and test services	Alcohol screening, intervention and referral (PH) service	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Chlamydia screening and treatment (PH) service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	Chlamydia screening and treatment (Ph) service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	COVID-19 lateral flow tests (PH) service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	PH blood pressure check service (PH) service	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Pregnancy testing (PH) service	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Type 2 diabetes screening (PH) service	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Vaccination services	Flu vaccination service (PH) service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Flu vaccination service (Ph) service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Travel clinic (Ph) service	<input type="checkbox"/>
Walk-in COVID-19 vaccination service: ages 16 to 17 years (PH) service		<input type="checkbox"/>	
Walk-in COVID-19 vaccination service: ages 12 to 16 years (Ph) service		<input type="checkbox"/>	
Walk-in COVID-19 vaccination service: ages 16 to 17 years (PH) service		<input type="checkbox"/>	
Walk-in COVID-19 vaccination service: ages 16 to 64 years (PH) service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Walk-in COVID-19 vaccination service: ages 65 to 74 years (PH) service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Walk-in COVID-19 vaccination service: ages 75 or older (PH) service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

NHS Profile – keep this updated to show which Locally Commissioned Services you offer

During the Integrated Community/Neighbourhood Team network meetings across Surrey and Sussex, it has been highlighted that patients find it challenging to know

which services pharmacies offer that are locally commissioned such as Public Health EHC, Condoms, Smoking Cessation etc

In order to support public awareness, we would like to remind pharmacies that you can add on these services, so they show in your NHS profile. There are several YouTube videos on using profile manager which will help you [here](#).



Reminder: please ask your patients to give feedback on Pharmacy First

Pharmacy teams providing Pharmacy First are asked to help promote the survey using the resources CPE have developed. To encourage as many responses as possible, the survey has been designed to be quick and easy to complete; during testing, most patients took around two minutes to complete it.

[Read more and download the resources.](#)

Training



Surrey NHS Health Check Training – Wednesday 19th March, 09:30 – 15:30

Please sign up to 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.

Sign up [here](#).

If 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.....

Join the big conversation

about a vision and common purpose for pharmacy professional leadership

Join the Big Conversation on pharmacy professional leadership 3rd to 25th February

The UK Pharmacy Professional Leadership Advisory Board (UKPPLAB) invites you to join a UK-wide 'Big Conversation' about the future of collaborative pharmacy professional leadership.

'Enabling us to be the best that pharmacy can be' webinars will be held across the UK from 3 to 25 February 2025, giving pharmacists, pharmacy technicians and wider pharmacy team members an opportunity to have their say on a proposed vision and

common purpose for pharmacy professional leadership.

Together, the Board has co-created a [proposed vision and common purpose](#) which sets the intention for a more collaborative approach to pharmacy professional leadership in the future. An approach that will benefit patients, pharmacists, pharmacy technicians and all professional leadership bodies and specialist professional groups.

Note: You don't have to be a member of a professional leadership body or specialist professional group to join a webinar. All webinars are open to everyone.

These free, interactive 'Enabling us to be the best that pharmacy can be' webinars will run from Monday 3 Feb to Tuesday 25 Feb.

[Click here for dates and sign-up links.](#)

To read more information about the Board's work and a press release about the engagement exercise, please visit [Independent UK Pharmacy Professional Leadership Advisory Board to strengthen collaboration | Join the Conversation \(scwcsu.nhs.uk\)](#).



Have you recently been successful with the Community Pharmacy Technician Apprenticeship Programme with NHS England? Do you need further support with apprenticeship programmes?

Please see the below opportunity for some support.

East Sussex County Council's [TRANSFORM service](#) will be on the road in each of

the five districts and boroughs during National Apprenticeship Week, offering 7 drop-in sessions, for organisations to come and find out more about apprenticeships and ask specific questions, covering how apprenticeships work in practice, benefits for your business and how they are funded.

Dates and locations of events:

- **Monday 10 February 9.30 am-12.30 pm** at Newhaven Enterprise Centre, Denton Island, Newhaven BN9 9BA
- **Tuesday 11 February 10.30 am-1.30 pm** at Uckfield Civic Centre (Ashdown Room), Uckfield TN22 1AE
- **Wednesday 12 February 10.30 am-1.30 pm** at Hastings Centre, The Ridge, Hastings, TN34 2SA
- **Thursday 13 February 10.30 am-1.30 pm** at East Sussex College Training Hub, 3A Hampden Retail Park, Eastbourne BN23 6QU
- **Friday 14 February 10.00 am-11.30 am** at Rye Library, 30A High Street, Rye TN31 7JG
- **Friday 14 February 12.30 pm-2.00 pm** at Battle Library, 7 Market Square, Battle TN33 0XB
- **Friday 14 February 2.30 pm-4.00 pm** at Flatland Projects, 20 Beeching Road, Bexhill TN39 3LG

If you can't attend the in-person events, you can request a chat with a **TRANSFORM Advisor** via the [webpage](#).



**Introducing Advanced Practice for Pharmacists - SE Webinar 6th
March 1pm to 2pm**

The South East Pharmacy Workforce Leads are collaborating with the Faculty of Advanced Practice and expert speakers to host a webinar '**Introducing Advanced Practice for Pharmacists**'. This will be held on Thursday **6th March 1 - 2pm** and open to pharmacists in all sectors across the South East. Please see the poster here for more information and to register for the session.

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