
COMMUNITY PHARMACY ARDEN GENERAL UPDATE 1st June 2023

Information is subject to change and is as accurate as we can ascertain at date published.

PSNC Rebranding to CPE

As you may have noticed PSNC has now rebranded to Community Pharmacy England (CPE). From now on we will refer to PSNC as CPE. It will take a while for us to change all the references on our website, but all the old PSNC links still work as they had been redirected. You can find out more about this announcement [here](#) and watch a short video introduction on YouTube [here](#).

CPE Communications and Engagement Survey

Please spare a few minutes to complete CPE's Communications and Engagement Survey to improve the services they provide. You can access this short survey on this [link](#).

CPE Funding and Negotiations Webinar on Demand

If you missed the Funding and Negotiations webinar last week, a recorded version is now available [here](#).

Locum Pharmacist employment status

HMRC has announced plans to withdraw its occupational guidance regarding the employment status of Locum Pharmacists with effect from Friday 30th June 2023. Find out more on CPE [here](#).

Contraception Pharmacy Training by Virtual Outcomes

Pharmacy training for the new Contraception Service is now available from Virtual Outcomes. To access the content, please log in with your pharmacy's credentials [here](#). A flyer can be downloaded [here](#).

Surgery training for this service is available on the following [link](#).

NHSE Midlands Contraception Service Webinar

Pharmacies are invited to attend a webinar organised by NHSE Midlands for the Contraception service on Tuesday 6th June at 8pm-9pm. The direct Teams link is below:

This information is not public.

Annual Flu Vaccination Letter Published

The annual flu vaccination letter for the 2023/24 season has been published. You can find a copy of the letter [here](#) and CPE guidance [here](#).

The letter confirms the eligible cohorts for the 2023/24 season and the vaccines which will be reimbursable under the Flu Vaccination Service. The Government has confirmed that 50-to-64-year-olds not at clinical risk are not included as a cohort for this coming season.

CPCS Claim Period Change from June

NHS England (NHSE) has announced from 1st June 2023, in a change from the previous Community Pharmacist Consultation Service (CPCS) service specification, claims for payment should be submitted within one month of, and no later than three months from the claim period for the chargeable activity provided. The change normalises the grace period for service claims from its previous position of six months to three months, which is the case for most of the other Advanced services.

CPE encourages contractors to ensure they have reviewed and submitted any outstanding CPCS claims on the Manage Your Service portal to avoid any potential service fee losses as a result of this reduced grace period for claims.

[Read the updated CPCS specification](#)

PQS: Findings from the Antimicrobial Stewardship Initiatives 2020/22 and Guidance for 2023/24

NHSE has published two important documents relating to PQS – please follow the links to access them:

[PQS 2020/22 findings and recommendations from the antimicrobial stewardship initiatives](#)

[PQS Guidance 2023/24](#)

Clarification: Stop Smoking Service Warwickshire

Please note that the Stop Smoking Service changes announced in our [last newsletter](#) are only relevant for Warwickshire, not Coventry. The Stop Smoking Service commissioned in Coventry remains unchanged for the time being.

You can find information about SSS on our website on the following links:

[Coventry Stop Smoking Service](#)

[Warwickshire Stop Smoking Service](#)

If you have any questions or comments regarding this update, please contact the LPC Team.
Copies of our previous newsletters can be found [here](#).

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