



COMMUNITY PHARMACY ARDEN GENERAL UPDATE 30th November 2023

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

Pharmacy First service specification and resources published

The service specification for the Pharmacy First service has been published, along with the clinical pathways for the seven conditions covered by the service, which is due to start at the end of January 2024.

[Download the service specification and clinical pathways](#)

Further details and guidance from CPE [here](#).

Pharmacy Contraception and Hypertension service specification and PGDs published/updated

The service specification for both the Contraception and the Hypertension services have been updated. You can find details and guidance on the links below:

[Pharmacy Contraception Service](#)

[Hypertension-finding service](#)

CPE webinars

There have been several CPE webinars announced for December and January. If you plan to attend any of these events, please make sure to book your place early. All webinars will be recorded and made available on-demand. More information about this webinar series is available from CPE [here](#).

[Pharmacy Contraception Service: Initiating contraception](#) (Tuesday 5th December 2023, 7-8.30pm)

[Pharmacy First: Getting to know the service](#) (Wednesday 13th December 2023, 7-8.30pm)

[Hypertension Case-Finding Service](#) (Wednesday 3rd January 2024, 7-8.30pm)

[Pharmacy Contraception Service: getting going with the service](#) (Wednesday 10th January 2024, 7-8.30pm)

[Pharmacy First: Getting ready for launch](#) (Monday 15th January 2024 7-8.30pm)

In addition, the previous Pharmacy First and Recovery Plan agreement webinar is now available to watch on demand on the following [link](#).

NMS, SCS, DMS: Clinical IT system update:

Please find details of the Clinical IT system update in the following [attachment](#).

For further information on clinical IT systems, please contact your system provider



TRAINING NEWS

CPPE Accuracy checking pharmacy technician programme – more free places available

NHS England has provided an additional funding for the CPPE to offer the Accuracy checking pharmacy technician (ACPT) programme to an additional 40 pharmacy technicians. Details on CPE [here](#).

Plans for face-to-face ENT clinical assessment skills workshops for community pharmacists in the West Midlands

There are plans for two medic-led half-day workshops on **Sunday 14th January 2024** (morning and afternoon sessions) for community pharmacists which will provide an introduction and opportunity to practice ear, nose, and throat examination skills.

The venue is yet to be confirmed, but it's likely to be the Holiday Inn located at Junction 7 of the M6.

The sessions will be run collaboratively between Community Pharmacy England and CPPE. Further details and promotional information will follow.

Fully funded Community Pharmacy Technician Advancing Your Role programme

We've added some flyers to the Training section on our website, which you can also find below. Places are only available until March 2024 and are likely to be in high demand nationally, so if you're interested, please do not delay applying. Details on the CPPE website [here](#).

[CPPE CPT AYR flyer 1](#)

[CPPE CPT AYR flyer 2](#)

[CPPE CPT AYR flyer 3](#)

Invitation to share your views on retention strategies in pharmacy (University of Bath):

Community Pharmacists and Technicians are invited to take part in a research project regarding employment and professional motivation of the pharmacy workforce. The research involves interviews with pharmacists and pharmacy technicians (20-30 minute duration) through videoconferencing. If you would like to take part, please respond to Tim Rennie by emailing twr32@bath.ac.uk

The results from this research are intended to inform decision-makers in the pharmacy profession and health service delivery landscape to improve the retention of the pharmacy workforce.

Prescribing Newsletter from Coventry & Warwickshire ICB

Please find a copy of the current issue of the [Prescribing Newsletter](#) from the ICB

Oral health survey for under 5's: Coventry City Council

We have been asked to share a survey link with pharmacies to promote an oral health survey aimed at carers and parents of children under 5 years old living in Coventry. Please share this survey link as appropriate and encourage families that you work with to complete it. The survey is open until 10th December.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/oral23>



New blog post published

Read Chief Officer, Fiona Lowe's message about the Pharmacy First service [here](#).

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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USEFUL LINKS:

[CPA Website](#)

[CPHW Website](#)

[CPE Newsletters](#)

[CPE Payment Timetable and Deadline Tracker](#)

[CPE Important Dates and Checklist](#)