



**LPC.**

Leicestershire & Rutland

# Newsletter June 2019



## CPAF Screening – Live as of Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

The 2019/20 Community Pharmacy Assurance Framework (CPAF) screening questionnaire went live on the 3<sup>rd</sup> June and is available for completion until **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June.**

The process requests all NHS community pharmacy contractors to complete a short questionnaire consisting of 10 questions. NHS England will select a small sample of pharmacies for a monitoring visit and/or to complete the full CPAF questionnaire.

Learn more about the process [here](#)

A copy of the full CPAF can be viewed [here](#)

## Public Health Campaign

Please see below the forthcoming public health campaigns:

13 <sup>th</sup> May – 13 June 2019	Children's oral health/Smile Month
September 2019	Antimicrobial resistance
October 2019	Stoptober
November / December 2019	Help Us Help You main Winter campaign (formerly Stay Well this Winter)
January 2020	Alcohol

## Flu Vaccination Service 2019-20

It may only be June but we would encourage you all to start thinking about the Winter Flu Campaign, in particular the following:

- Ensure you have met the relevant training requirements – details on PSNC site: [www.psn.org.uk](http://www.psn.org.uk)
- Please note; requirement for face to face training is now every 3yrs (previously 2yrs)
- Each pharmacist is responsible for ensuring they are up to date with current legislation and conform to their own PGDs. There are a range of PGD providers and trainers available, further guidance can be found on the PSNC website.

## PCNs – Primary Care Networks

PCNs are a key part of the NHS Long Term plan. We are currently in the early stages of formation of these networks, there will be approximately 25 across the city and county. We are in conversations with the PCN Lead and will update as and when we are able to do so.

NHS England are supporting the development of PCNs. For those of you interested there is a webinar on 18<sup>th</sup> June, “**working with pharmacy**” please see the link below.

- [18<sup>th</sup> June 3:00p.m – 4:00 p.m.](#)





## Controlled Drug Incident Reporting

NHS England would like to remind colleagues in community pharmacy that all incidents and concerns, including dispensing errors and unresolved balance discrepancies, involving CDs (Schedules 2 to 5) should be reported to them. The method for reporting is through the online CD reporting portal [www.cdreporting.co.uk](http://www.cdreporting.co.uk).

When reporting please consider the below:

- Report the incident promptly - has anyone been harmed?
- State the facts - what happened? Be open and honest
- Have you explained what has happened to any patients involved and apologised if appropriate?
- Provide a brief background as to why you think it happened
- Explain what you have done to try to prevent it from happening again
- What have you learnt as a result by reflecting on what happened? Have you shared this with your team?
- How will you check that the change in your practice is working?

REMEMBER: The CD newsletters are also available on the reporting website where you will find details of reported incidents and the learning from the incident, which can all be used within your practise.

In addition and for your reference the Controlled Drugs Team can be contacted at [England.centralmidlands-cd@nhs.net](mailto:England.centralmidlands-cd@nhs.net).

## SPS

This is the Specialist pharmacy service found on [www.sps.nhs.uk](http://www.sps.nhs.uk) and is well worth every pharmacist registering on. It is particularly useful for information on medicines and supply issues, patents etc.

## Glycopyronium

There is now a licensed version of Glycopyronium Solution which should always be used when prescribed and not specials. Take special care with the doses and the salt that is prescribed. This is a subject brought up by LMSG recently and more can be found at [lmsg.nhs.uk](http://lmsg.nhs.uk). (Leicestershire Medicines Strategy Group) This website has a host of information and guidelines, one of note is the recently changed Vitamin D guidelines.

## Changes to Ordering of Repeat Prescription – West CCG

Removal of Third party ordering - You should be aware that GP surgeries within West Leicestershire CCG will be ceasing third party repeat prescription ordering as of the 30th June 2019.

- Please ensure you are fully aware of the changes, have commenced communication with affected patients to minimise disruption. Please use the patient leaflets to aid your conversations – a supply of these should have been provided to you from the GP practice.
- If you are yet to receive either a batch of patient exemption forms or patient leaflets we would urge you to contact your GP practice as soon as possible.

## DOACS

A number of GPs have reported receiving queries from dentists regarding DOACS. If you come across such queries this website may be helpful

<http://www.sdcep.org.uk/published-guidance/anticoagulants-and-antiplatelets/>

## Changes at the LPC

We are pleased to confirm the appointment of the following members at LLR LPC:

Chair – **Sue Hind** – thank you to Sue for stepping in as Interim Chief Officer

Chief Officer – **Rita Patel** – new to the LPC

Treasurer – **Mohammed Bharuchi** – current committee member

We welcome Sue, Rita and Mohammed to their new positions. We would also like to highlight our appreciation for the tremendous work, commitment and support provided to the LPC by the following members who will be stepping down or moving into new roles:

**Satyan Kotecha** – Sat will remain on the committee and we thank him for his tireless work, passion for community pharmacy and ongoing support.

**Luvjit Kandula** – Our former Chief Officer is now Head of LPC Engagement and Collaboration at the PSNC. Congratulations to Luvjit on her new role and our thanks for the many years of tireless work she undertook at the LPC. We will remain in touch with Luvjit going forward and look forward to her ongoing support.

**Adam Thomas** – Adam has served as Treasurer for over 5 years and has been an integral part of the LPC during this time. Due to work commitments Adam will be stepping away from the LPC but he goes with our thanks and best wishes. We hope to see you return at some point in the future.

**Pallavi Dawda** – Pallavi has also recently stepped down and we would like to take this opportunity to thank her for all her hard work and support

**Irfan Motala** – Irfan stepped down in April and we would like to thank him for his contribution within the LPC

We have recently hosted two successful events on optimising respiratory MUR's and NMS with over 80 attendees. We hope that those of you who attended found the evening valuable and are utilising your placebos to demonstrate inhaler technique. Keep an eye on the LPC website for further events.

Coming very soon is a campaign for Walk in My Shoes, a project aimed at improving the collaboration between pharmacy and GP practices.

SAVE THE DATE: 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2019 – Annual General Meeting of the LPC.

Venue: Holiday Inn, Filbert Way.