Community Pharmacy Somerset

Weekly Bulletin w/e 5/7/2019 by Somerset LPC.

Postponed - Upcoming Community Pharmacy Somerset 'Learning Zone Study Day' Event at Haselbury Mill. 7th July 2019.

Dear Community Pharmacy and Contractor colleagues, Somerset LPC has decided to re-think on going ahead with the planned update event on **7th July.**

This is primarily due to the slight delay in us understanding the outcome of the national contract negotiation. We think it is better to be able to think about future direction of travel locally with the knowledge of what is happening nationally.

We have also had a lower than expected commitment to attendance on the 7th. We appreciate that investing time on a rest day is an ask of you all after a hard week in pharmacy practice. To that end we will refocus on delivering the important set of messages via a variety of other means including some micro-local get together and use of webinars. Please keep following our coms and look out for any announcements about future engagement activities.

Best wishes
Community Pharmacy Somerset Team
Somerset LPC

Contractor Update: Serious Shortage Protocols 28/6/2019.

On Monday (1 July 2019) legislation will come into force allowing the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) to issue Serious Shortage Protocols (SSPs).

SSPs are a potential way to help pharmacies to manage any serious shortages of medicines that may occur, without needing to refer patients back to prescribers.

Any SSPs issued will specify an alternative product or quantity that may be supplied (an alternative strength or formulation, or generic or therapeutic alternative or less of the product) by community pharmacies, along with any restrictions or other points that pharmacists need to consider.

SSPs will only specify changes to specific medicines that medical experts believe to be appropriate; and pharmacists will always have the professional discretion not to supply an alternative to any individual patient. If an SSP is issued, community pharmacy contractors must, under their Terms of Service, consider the SSP, so it is important that contractors are aware of the legislation and the new requirements. Full information along with PSNC Briefing & Flow Chart can be found HERE

SCR 1-click now available in Sonar and PharmOutcomes.

Pharmacists and technicians can now access vital patient information quickly through a new Summary Care Record (SCR) 1-click feature that is available in the PharmOutcomes and Sonar systems. The 1-click function allows pharmacy professionals logged in with their Smartcard to click straight through to a selected patient's SCR whilst using PharmOutcomes or Sonar, without having to log in separately and complete a manual search by entering an NHS number. Full instruction HERE

New NHS England and NHS Improvement PCN resources for LPCs and pharmacy teams.

NHS England and NHS Improvement has published two key guidance documents around Primary Care Networks (PCNs):

Primary Care Networks: A briefing for pharmacy teams

This informative briefing is aimed at pharmacy teams across the NHS, including those working in community pharmacy. It contains key background information on PCNs: their structure, function, the role of clinical directors and how they fit in the NHS. *Guidance for Local Pharmaceutical Committees (LPCs) – How to help contractors get involved with Primary Care Networks*

PCN support: Think Pharmacy prospectuses relaunched

As part of PSNC's ongoing support to help LPCs and community pharmacy contractors engage with Primary Care Networks (PCNs), the PSNC Think Pharmacy prospectuses have been reviewed and updated. A number of new prospectuses have also been published to add to the range of services covered.

The prospectuses provide introductions to specific pharmacy services and they have been designed to help LPCs and others to make initial service pitches to local commissioners and stakeholders. *Think Pharmacy* is a brand that has been successfully used by many LPCs to engage their local commissioners to think differently about the provision of services – to 'Think Pharmacy' as a solution.

June 2019 Price Concessions – June final **update**

Drug Tariff Watch: July 2019 changes

MHRA Drug Safety Update June 2019

Class 2 MHRA Medicines recall: FMD Alert (B & S Healthcare)

Class 2 MHRA Medicines recall: Paracetamol 500mg Tablets (M & A Pharmachem Limited)

Class 4 MHRA drug alert – Baxter Healthcare Limited, Potassium Chloride Products.

MHRA launch videos to raise awareness of Yellow Card Scheme

IMPORTANT – More MHRA DRUG ALERTS

To see the latest MHRA Drug Safety monthly pdf newsletter, visit the GOV.uk website.

Distribution

Shortage Notice: Disopyramide 100mg/150mg capsules

Supply Status Update: EpiPen® 0.3mg and 0.15mg Adrenaline Auto-Injectors.

AstraZeneca announce changes to their distribution arrangements.

Epanutin 50mg Infatabs supply issue

Shortage Notice: Disopyramide 100mg/150mg capsules

Supervised consumption new SLA. REMINDER - Pharmacists to complete the CPPE course and DOC.

Link to the Declaration of competence (DOC) area of the CPPE website:
www.cppe.ac.uk/services/declaration-of-competence
You will then find the link to the Supervised consumption of prescribed medicines DOC there.

e-learning - there are 4 modules:
Substance use and misuse - Module 1: Substances of misuse
www.cppe.ac.uk/programmes/l/substance1-e-01/

Substance use and misuse - Module 2: Harm reduction
www.cppe.ac.uk/programmes/l/substance2-e-01/

Substance use and misuse - Module 3: Communication with patients and support networks
www.cppe.ac.uk/programmes/l/substance3-e-01/

Substance use and misuse - Module 4: Provision of services
www.cppe.ac.uk/programmes/l/substance4-e-01/

e-assessment:
Substance use and misuse - delivering pharmacy services (2019)
www.cppe.ac.uk/programmes/l/substance-a-11/

The October Drug Tariff Part VIIA – Quality Payments Scheme (England) has some updates to the quality criteria that relate specifically to learning:
On the day of the review, **80% of all registered pharmacy professionals working at the pharmacy have satisfactorily completed the CPPE Risk Management training**; and the pharmacy has available for inspection at the review point, at premises level, an example of a risk review that the pharmacy team at the premises have drawn up for a risk in that pharmacy that has been identified and prioritised with identified risk minimisation actions that the pharmacy team is taking. On the day of the review the pharmacy is a Healthy Living Pharmacy level 1 (self-assessment) and; **80% of staff working at the pharmacy (including pharmacy professionals) that provide healthcare advice to the public have successfully completed the CPPE children's oral health training assessment**. You and your team will be more likely to achieve a pass on the assessment by watching the video presentation *Children's oral health* first (unless you have already familiarised yourself with Public Health England's guidance on children's oral health), so please encourage all your team to complete this to maximise this learning opportunity. Visit the CPPE Pharmacy Quality Payments Scheme webpage for links and information about accessing these programmes and assessments, and the steps that need to be taken to meet these quality payments criteria. Please see attached **CPPE *Quality Payments learning resources* document** which highlights resources that can be used to support the community pharmacy quality payments scheme for your whole team.

Healthy Living Pharmacies

Healthy Living Pharmacy teams may wish to host a health awareness event/campaign on obesity and/or cancer as part of their ongoing health promotion activities. More information on hosting a health awareness event/campaign relating to those topics can be found on the PSNC health promotion ideas page.

Community pharmacy training funded by PhIF
Health Education England **(HEE)** is offering a range of training courses to help community pharmacy professionals improve their clinical and leadership skills fully funded through the Pharmacy integration Fund **(PhIF).** With courses available across the country, this opportunity is open to all pharmacists and pharmacy technicians working in a community setting. **HEE** have produced two briefings which provide further information about the training available. The briefings, which contain details of how to sign up, can be viewed via the links below:

PhIF training for community pharmacists

- Postgraduate courses for pharmacists leading to a postgraduate education award, such as a Certificate in Clinical Pharmacy
- Mary Seacole Leadership Programme for community pharmacy

PhIF training for community pharmacy technicians

- Mary Seacole Leadership Programme for community pharmacy
- Accuracy checking pharmacy technician (ACPT) programme for all pharmacy technicians in community settings and in the Health and Justice sector across England

Recommended learning and development programmes for July 2019.

Fundamentals of renal therapeutics e-course

In England, one in six people suffer from chronic kidney disease; that's around six million people. The e-course aims to develop pharmacy professionals' knowledge and skills of renal therapeutics and enable pharmacy professionals working across all sectors to provide a person-centred approach to the healthcare of people at risk of, or living with, renal disease. For further information and to register go to: **www.cppe.ac.uk/programmes/l/renalec-e-01**

Training Events

See attached LPC training plan and visit the LPC events pages at: https://psnc.org.uk/somerset-lpc/our-events/ for further details.

Leadership - Building on your Mary Seacole award: Workshop 1 & 2

Sat 21 Sep and 09 Nov 2019 (10:00am-1:00pm) - Holiday Inn, Taunton, TA1 2UA
These workshops have been commissioned by NHS England for those who completed the Mary Seacole Leadership Programme for Community Pharmacy only. You need to attend both workshops.
Email anne.cole@cppe.ac.uk for a keycode to book your place.

CPPE Mental health and wellbeing study day.

Sun 22 Sep 2019 (9:45am – 4:45pm) - Doubletree by Hilton, Woodlands Lane, Bradley Stoke, Bristol. BS32 4JF

This study day focuses on mental health conditions commonly presenting in primary care. It will enable you to support patients with a mental health condition to optimise their medicines.

Emergency contraception workshop

Tue 22 Oct 2019 (7:15-9:45pm) – Holiday Inn, Taunton, TA1 2UA.
This workshop forms part of the training required to deliver the emergency contraception commissioned service in Somerset and is run in collaboration with Somerset County Council and the LPC.

And save the dates! These workshops will be available for booking via the CPPE website mid-July:

Dementia focal point workshop (new)
Tue 07 Jan 2020 (7:30-9:30pm) - Abbey Manor Business Centre, Yeovil BA20 2EN

Inhaler technique training workshop (new)

Wed 12 Feb 2020 (7:30-9:30pm) - Holiday Inn, Taunton, TA1 2UA

REMINDER - **Main point of contact** with regards to using the **PharmOutcomes** service is our own LPC Engagement Officer, Yvonne Lamb 07932952497 yvonne.somersetlpc@gmail.com
Kind regards
Mary.

Somerset LPC - Information on all our news and events can be found via our website and Calendar**:**
http://psnc.org.uk/somerset-lpc/new/

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