



on behalf of East Sussex, West Sussex and Surrey  
Local Pharmaceutical Committees

**News and updates from your LPCs and partners**

Surrey, East Sussex, West Sussex  
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A scan-and-skim read specially prepared community pharmacy contractors in Surrey and Sussex to help keep you up-to-date with news and headlines relevant to your work.

Only 21 stories, items and topics to be aware of this week, with blue links to more information.

This update is laid out by category, not most important first so be sure to go all the way to the end so you don't miss anything.

## Our news

- All three LPC's met on Wednesday 10 July, with individual LPC business in the morning and a joint session in the afternoon to hear from pharmacy leaders about the **#futureofpharmacy**. (Here is Linda Honey's\* presentation on [Integrated Care](#) and Health Education England (HEE) spoke about the [far reaching review of pharmacy education and training](#)). We'll let you know when the minutes of the meetings are ready. (\*Linda Honey is Interim Director of Pharmacy and Medicines Optimisation for the Surrey Heartlands Health and Care Partnership)
- LPC members were reassured to hear that NHS England and their waste contract managers, Anenta, are looking into all reports of missed **waste collections**. However, after hearing later about the frustrations of 32 x 50L waste bins in a stock-room we wrote to ask about the steps being taken to address this situation, and timetable for action. [Read more](#)
  - Please continue to report all missed collections to Anenta via their online portal. [Read more](#).
  - In the meantime, have you registered with Anenta to receive waste services? Their waste contract management responsibilities started 10 months ago . A significant number of pharmacies have still not registered. [Register using this short form](#)
- **East Sussex LPC agreed their annual accounts** noting that expenditure is at an eight-year low and the levies paid by contractors during 2018/19 were 6% below the 10-year average. [Read more](#).
- **SAVE THE DATE:** Join us and your LPC committee members on one of the following dates for your 2019 **annual meeting of contractors**. It's your LPC's flagship event and, this year, attendance is vital. There's two big items on the agenda (alongside a wee bit of LPC 'housekeeping'):
  - Revalidation (proving you are fit to practise), because we are determined to make this as easy as possible for you, with help from colleagues at RPS Sussex.
  - Primary care networks (PCNs) in West Sussex, because this affects us all and is the *#futureofpharmacy*.

Your annual meeting will be free-to-attend but you will need to tell us in advance if you are coming along. Put the date in your diary now and more will follow later in the summer. These are evening events:

- **West Sussex: Tuesday 10 September 2019**
- **East Sussex: Tuesday 17 September 2019**
- **Surrey: Wednesday 18 September 2019**

### PSNC news

- Please make sure you are signed-up to receive PSNC news so that you receive nationally significant news when it happens. [Sign-up here](#)
- Nearly 98% of community pharmacy contracts completed this year's CPAF screening survey. Do you know what happens next? [Read more](#)

### NHS England, Department of Health & Social Care and Public Health England news

- Are you on track to complete your **200 MURs** by the end of September? Find out more about the interim funding arrangements [here](#).
- Here's three recent messages from NHS E – just in case they got missed in your volume of emails.
  - [supply of flu vaccines for the forthcoming 2019-20 season](#)
  - [supply of Nardil \(phenelzine sulfate\) 15mg tablets \(MAOI\)](#)
  - [Supply of Salbutamol 2mg/5ml syrup](#)
- A **rural dispensing audit will soon be underway in Surrey** following a relatively problem-free audit in Sussex. At the end of September several thousand patients could be looking to nominate a community pharmacy to receive their prescriptions, as a result of the audit. [Read this briefing note \(which was prepared for Sussex\) and pass the information to your teams if you think you might be affected.](#) More to follow.
- **Campaign evaluation:** Surrey & Sussex return rate for the oral health campaign, which ended on 13 June, has improved to 144 responses, which is 26%. A breakdown of responses to the post-campaign survey shows Surrey falling behind Sussex and Kent (Surrey 49, Sussex 95, Kent

116). [NHS community pharmacy contractors are required to take part-in \(and evaluate\) six annual public health campaigns](#)

**\*\*NEW\*\***

**Primary care networks (PCN) news**

- **Ned Naylor**, NHS acting director of primary care provider transformation, spoke in London at a King's Fund event on PCNs this week. He said: NHS England wanted to 'be as flexible as we can' about PCNs and did not want to 'stifle innovation'. Other points included:
  - PCNs should 'try to improve care for a particular group of people and use that to pull together to develop organisational form and all the other things that need to happen, rather than focusing on the individual aspects separately'
  - NHS England is providing £1m of funding to STPs, over and above what is in the five-year GP contract, for them to spend on supporting PCNs in the early stages their development.
  - [Read a report of the event in GPOnline.](#)

**Public health, CCG and other partners news**

**Surrey**

- Healthwatch Surrey's annual report 2018-2019 is a review of the year - looking at the highlights, what people have shared, advice and information, volunteer changes, finances, and plans for the next year. [Visit their website to read the report.](#)
- [Surrey Says](#) website lists consultations in Surrey. Open, forthcoming and recently closed consultations are all displayed.
- [This list of services at Surrey CC has been prepared to help community pharmacists signpost to adult services.](#)
  - We are keen to hear from community pharmacists if there are any recurring queries/ themes from Surrey residents that pharmacists find challenging to answer. Email [lpc@communitypharmacys.co.uk](mailto:lpc@communitypharmacys.co.uk)

**East Sussex**

- **Oops!** in issue 12 of 'news & updates' we thought we had circulated a list of email addresses for all GP practices in East Sussex, but no; it was just [HR CCG](#). Here is [EHS CCG](#) too. Our thanks go to Avril in Eastbourne for letting us know.
- Both Eastbourne, Hailsham and Seaford CCG and Hastings and Rother CCG have had the **legal directions** that were in place lifted by NHS England. [Read the letter](#)
- Read about the [single health and care integration programme for East Sussex](#)
- Claims for **substance misuse and needle exchange services** where provision took place on or before Friday 31 May - *last year's contract*, should be submitted on ESCC's PharmOutcomes claim template between **Wednesday 17 July** and **Sunday 28 July 2019**. Claims will not be accepted after 28 July.
- **West Sussex**
- It's over six months since the Alcohol IBA (Intervention & Brief Advice) Service went live and it is slowly gaining momentum. Over 161 interventions last month, taking the grand total to 508 since the service started in January.
- [This Alcohol IBA blog](#) was set up to promote learning, understanding and the delivery of IBA amongst all roles that have the opportunity to deliver it.

### In the news

- There's still bit of activity in the media and social media around medicines shortages. From what we've seen social media appears to be very supportive of the great job community pharmacists are doing to help, which is excellent news. Here is [PSNCs briefing on drug shortages](#) for you to read and a [leaflet for you to print-out to give to service users](#) should you need to have a conversation about the supply of medicines.

### Training & events

- On Friday 12 July CPPE announced they were continuing to collaborate with [@NHSLeadership](#) to offer the **Mary Seacole Leadership programme** for community pharmacy. Applications are now open for the latest cohorts in Leeds, Birmingham and London. [Read more](#), and if you want to

discuss the programme before signing-up please contact the LPCs Hinal Patel, who is about to graduate from the current course. Email Hinal at [lpc@communitypharmacys.co.uk](mailto:lpc@communitypharmacys.co.uk)

**Pharmacy  
resources  
(mandatory  
campaigns)**

- Materials for the next two campaigns (anti-microbial resistance, and Stoptober) will be delivered to pharmacies in August.

For more information contact [lpc@communitypharmacys.co.uk](mailto:lpc@communitypharmacys.co.uk)



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