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Newsletter

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Community Pharmacy Kent owners and staff in Kent & Medway



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AGM

Annual General Meeting

Community Pharmacy Annual General Meeting

This is a reminder that the **Community Pharmacy Kent Annual General Meeting (AGM)** will take place **virtually** on **Wednesday 25th September 2024, from 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM.**

The AGM report, agenda, and voter card have already been emailed to you. This is your opportunity to review our activities for the year and vote on our annual accounts.

We are required to seek the approval of the accounts at the AGM by ballot of pharmacy contractors or their authorised representatives. You are entitled to cast one vote for each of the pharmacy contractor premises you have in the Kent LPC area.

If you are unable to attend the meeting, you can cast your vote and provide feedback by completing the voting. (please note CCA representatives may not vote at the meeting and must therefore vote beforehand).

Please can you send your completed voter card back to us by 12:00 on Tuesday 24th September 2024 at admin@kentlpc.org.uk.

To join click this link [here](#).



NHS England launch the Community Pharmacy Technician Apprenticeship Programme.

We are excited to announce the launch of the Community Pharmacy Technician Apprenticeship Programme. This programme will support Pre-registration Trainee Pharmacy Technicians (PTPTs) to be employed and complete their full 24-month apprenticeship training within a **community pharmacy setting**. Upon completion of training and registration with the General Pharmaceutical Council (GPhC) this will support community pharmacy to utilise the expertise and knowledge of registered pharmacy technicians as part of pharmacy services and wider reform.

Funding Offer

We are offering a training contribution of **£15,053 per trainee, per year for two years** (24 months) to support community pharmacies in developing a PTPT programme that meets the [GPhC IET standards for pharmacy technicians](#) and the [NHS England Education Quality Framework](#).

Next Steps

Application for funding is through expression of interest (Eoi) submitted via an [online application form](#). The application window will open on Monday 23 September 2024 until Sunday 13 October 2024.

We will be holding a number of webinars via MS Teams to provide more information on the programme including the application process and how to access apprenticeship funding. These will be repeated, please use the link below to attend on your preferred date. You need only attend one webinar date.

- 11am, [Friday 27 September](#)
- 2pm, [Sunday 29 September](#)
- 1pm, [Wednesday 02 October](#)
- 7pm, [Tuesday 08 October](#)

If you have any questions, please email england.wtepharmacy.se@nhs.net with Community Pharmacy Technician Apprenticeship Programme in the subject field.



Tier 2 Medicine Supply Notification (MSN) for: Nicorandil 10mg tablets

Please find [here](#).

- A Tier 2 Medicine Supply Notification (MSN) for: Nicorandil 10mg tablets

The contents of this MSN can be viewed on the [Medicines Supply Tool](#).

The Tool also details any changes to resupply dates and updates to the entries.

To access the Tool you will be required to register with the SPS
Website: <https://www.sps.nhs.uk/>



CPPE Community Pharmacy Technician: Advancing your Role Programme

CPPE offer a fully funded course that aims to develop the knowledge, clinical skills and behaviours of pharmacy technicians working in community pharmacy and the Health and Justice sector to increase patient access to clinical services by widening the skill mix in community pharmacy teams.

The programme will guide pharmacy technicians to reflect upon their existing transferable skills and identify development needs to support the readiness for advancing their role in practice to support service delivery.

The programme

- is a four-month structured development programme which supports pharmacy technicians working in community pharmacy
- takes a blended learning approach and offers a mix of online learning, face-to-face and online workshops, workplace-based practice, and peer support sessions.

For more information and details on how to enrol onto the programme, please visit the [CPPE webpage](#) here you will also find a recorded information webinar outlining the course programme.

To join click [here](#).



Important deadlines for COVID vaccination site only

1. You must complete a one-time acknowledgement page in FDP supply dashboard by 13th September for vaccine deliveries w/c 23rd or 30th September.
2. From 2nd - 13th September- new sites will be added to Q-Flow
3. From 16th September sites need to add their availability
4. 23rd September- NBS will open to the public.
5. 3rd October- appointment booking starts.

If you need support, please email the LPC office admin@kentlpc.org.uk



Business Services Authority

Notifying unplanned temporary suspensions of pharmaceutical services via NHSBSA Manage Your Service (MYS)

A module has been released to the MYS platform that enables contractors to notify their ICB of any temporary closure of their pharmacy instead of using the paper form or emailing the information to ICB pharmacy teams.

Using the MYS module will automatically ensure that pharmacy contractor notifications are sent directly to the relevant ICB, and will also enable the contractor to see a record of any submissions that have been made via MYS. Currently, use of the module is voluntary.

ICBs will receive reports of submissions multiple times a day so they are aware of any service suspensions in their area.



To read the latest edition of the NHSE Primary Care Bulletin click [here](#).

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