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Newsletter

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Week 50

This newsletter contains important information for
Community Pharmacy Kent owners and staff in Kent & Medway



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Christmas & New Year 2024-25 Bank Holiday Pharmacy Opening Hours

Please find below the Christmas and New Year Bank Holiday poster, detailing which pharmacies will be open on the Bank Holidays across Kent and Medway.

Poster of pharmacies can be found [here](#).

Pharmacies are only listed on the posters if they are opening one of more of the Bank Holiday dates.

A map of the pharmacies that will be open on the Bank Holidays can be found [here](#).



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**Community Pharmacy
Kent-Contraception
Workshop**

Sunday 2nd February 2025

Venue:
The Mercure Great Danes Hotel,
Maidstone,
ME17 1RE
11:00AM-3:00PM

Kent LPC are pleased to announce that we will be hosting a face-to-face NHS Community Pharmacy Contraception Training.

This is open to Kent Community Pharmacists and GPHC registered pharmacy technicians.

Our Agenda is as below:

- CPPE Pharmacy Contraception Workshop
- Hot Lunch and networking.
- Community Pharmacy Kent Updates
- Celebrating Success Awards.
- Close

To register your attendance please email;
natalia.bejan@kentlpc.org.uk with your Full name,
GPHC no, email address and phone number

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Community Pharmacy Kent Contraception Workshop

We are delighted to announce that community Pharmacy Kent (Kent LPC) is working in collaboration with CPPE to host a face-to-face NHS Community Pharmacy Contraception Training.

This is open to Kent Community Pharmacists and GPHC registered pharmacy technicians.

Date: 2nd February 2025

Location: Mercure Hotel Maidstone

Time: 11am -3pm

Agenda

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- Hot buffet Lunch and networking.
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Community Pharmacy Kent (Kent LPC) and Dartford MP pharmacy visit

On Friday, December 9th, Dartford MP John Dickson and Mark Anyaegbuna, CEO of Community Pharmacy, visited MD Moore Pharmacy in Dartford. They were warmly welcomed by pharmacy owner Neetin Kanani and his wife, Nisha.

During the visit, they engaged in meaningful discussions about the vital role community pharmacies play in supporting the health and well-being of local communities. The conversation highlighted the potential to expand health screening services in pharmacies, building on the successes of Pharmacy First, the Contraception Service, and blood pressure checks.

Additionally, the visit brought attention to the funding challenges facing the sector and emphasized the need to ensure pharmacies continue to thrive. Both parties recognized the importance of strengthening the role of community pharmacies to serve the public effectively.

Thank you to MD Moore Pharmacy for their warm welcome and dedication to the community.



The Chief Pharmaceutical Officer's Pharmacy leaders development programme

Cohort 8 of the Chief Pharmaceutical Officer's Leaders Development Programme is now open for applications, with a closing date of Monday 16th December at midday. The programme is fully funded by NHS England and is open to both experienced pharmacists and pharmacy technicians with leadership aspirations and is a fantastic opportunity for individuals from both professions who would like to work towards the next step in their career. I encourage those interested to explore the information available and consider applying.

Whilst there have previously been some banding restrictions (8a and above) associated with the course, CPPE have confirmed that this restriction is no longer in place and that each application will be reviewed individually on its own merit and content. They are particularly keen to encourage applications from pharmacy technicians and colleagues from backgrounds that are underrepresented at senior leadership levels, to increase the diversity within these positions.

More information and details on how to apply can be found here [CPhO's pharmacy leaders development programme : CPPE](#).

A further cohort is planned in 2025 with applications opening in February- keep an eye on LinkedIn and CPPE website nearer the time, which will also contain details on relevant webinars.

The Kent & Medway Pharmacy Technician Network will have the organisers join them to give an overview of the programme and how to get the best out of your

application- if you are a pharmacy technician and interested in joining the network please email Harrison.sullivan@nhs.net



NHS Smartcard action required: checking contact info, self-unlock and expiry

Pharmacy team members are advised to review and update their NHS Smartcards to ensure continued functionality.

Key actions include updating contact details in the Care Identity Management profile, registering for the mobile phone self-unlock feature, checking for role expiry dates, and replacing older cards (series 4-6), which are now obsolete.

[Read more, including our new factsheet](#)



New Pharmacy First resources

As children return to schools and nurseries prepare for the festive break, pharmacy owners and their team members are encouraged to promote the Pharmacy First service to parents and carers.

To support this, new resources have been published, including a promotion checklist, template letters and news items for schools and nurseries, and other tools to help raise awareness of how the service supports families with minor health concerns.

Click the link to read more [Pharmacy First – targeting schools and nurseries - Community Pharmacy England](#)



Ask your patients to give feedback on Pharmacy First service

Pharmacy teams delivering Pharmacy First are also asked to promote a new feedback survey to patients who use the service. The two-minute survey is designed to help quantify the value of the service for future influencing work.

[Read more and download the promotional resources](#)



CPCF services and Terms of Service – Important date

Pharmacy owners can visit our webpage for a helpful list of key dates related to the Community Pharmacy Contractual Framework (CPCF), including national pharmacy services (Advanced services and National Enhanced services), as

well as Terms of Service (ToS) requirements.

The page also features links to relevant news and resources and is updated regularly with the latest announcements.

For more information click [here](#).



Virtual Outcome

We confirm that **Community Pharmacy Kent** has renewed the **Virtual Outcomes Subscription** on behalf of all Kent LPC contractors for another year. This ensures that all **Kent & Medway pharmacy contractors** will continue to have **free access** to the extensive online library of training resources.

New Training Modules Available

Pharmacies in Kent and Medway can now access the following new online training modules:

- **Pharmacy First**
- **Fungal Infections**
- **Acne**

How to Access Virtual Outcomes Training

1. Visit [Virtual Outcomes Pharmacy Training](#).
 2. Enter your pharmacy's **F Code**.
 3. Select the training menu for the course you wish to view.
 4. Click "**Start Course**".
 5. Complete the registration form.
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