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Newsletter

17th January 2025 Week 04

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



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#### Important...

From the 1st of April 2025, Contractors will need to deliver Pharmacy Contraception Service and Hypertension Case Finding as well as meeting the relevant consultation threshold to qualify for the £1000 fixed payment.

We recommend all Pharmacists working across Kent and Medway to engage with the Contraception workshop on 2nd February 2025. Details are as below.

### 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: 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2025 Location: Mercure Hotel Maidstone Time: 11am -3pm

Agenda

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

The spaces are fully booked at the moment, but we are maintaining a waiting list. We will plan an additional training session once we reach a minimum of 30 requests.



## Medway Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) 2025 (Action required)

### **Pharmacy Contractor Questionnaire**

Medway Health and Wellbeing Board has delegated responsibility for the revised Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) to Medway Council, who have asked Soar Beyond to facilitate the process and deliver the PNA.

We would be grateful if you would take a few minutes to answer some questions about your pharmacy and the services it provides. To access the survey please go to <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MedwayContractor2025</u> **before 5<sup>th</sup> February 2025.** 



## Pharmacy First myth busting series (#5)

Read our latest article clarifying the correct practices and expectations for recording consultation outcomes and managing referrals in the Pharmacy First IT system.

<u>Read the latest myth busting article</u> <u>View additional myths on our Pharmacy First myth busting page</u>



# Supporting NHS Commissioned Service Provision in Your Pharmacy

We are excited to share a series of best practices designed to help you optimize NHS-commissioned service provision in your pharmacy. Our goal is to replicate this success across as many pharmacies as possible across Kent

To achieve this, **Adeyinka Jolaoso, Service Development Manager at Kent LPC,** will be leading the project and is available to meet with you—either face-toface or virtually—to provide tailored guidance for your practice.

**To book your session**, please email **natalia.bejan@kentlpc.org** with the following information:

- 1. Name of your pharmacy
- 2. Preferred meeting day and time (please provide two options)
- 3. Meeting preference: Face-to-face or virtual

We look forward to working together to enhance service delivery and make a positive impact on patient care.



## Manage Your Service (MYS) Pharmacy portal; Essential maintenance

<u>Manage Your Service (MYS) Pharmacy portal</u> will be unavailable due to essential maintenance between 7am and 6pm on the following days:

- Saturday 18 January 2025
- Saturday 8 February 2025
- Saturday 15 February 2025

This means that you will not be able access the service, enter data, or view/manage your submissions during those days. If you have any questions, contact NHSBSA:

• mys@nhsbsa.nhs.uk

• 0300 330 1368

They are available Monday to Friday, 8am to 4pm.



### NHS England Pharmacy Technician Workforce Development

The Pharmacy Technician Workforce Development Programme aims to develop pharmacy technicians to practice autonomously as confident and competent healthcare professionals. This plays a vital role in supporting the delivery of NHS England Long Term Workforce Plan recommendations, linking to three key priorities

- 1. Grow the Workforce
- 2. Embed the Right Culture and Improve Retention
- 3. Work and Train Differently

The document is now available on the NHS England website. Pharmacy Technician Workforce Development Programme

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<u>Oriel – National Foundation Trainee Pharmacist Recruitment Scheme 2025</u> -Invitation to Participate Trainee Pharmacists: Employer Registration for National Recruitment Cycle (Oriel) Now Open

Employers wishing to be part of 2025 national recruitment, for the 2026-27 training year, must register via the employer programme information online form. All employers will need to provide programme specific information and agree to meet the terms of participation of the scheme. *The deadline to submit your application is 11.59pm on 1st March 2025*.

For all further information please refer to the Employer Handbook.

The Kent LPC, in collaboration with the ICB workforce team, will be organizing a webinar to support contractors. We plan to announce this next week.