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**Newsletter**

**25th January 2025**

**Week 05**

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



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### **Community Pharmacy Kent-Contraception Workshop**

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> 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](mailto:natalia.bejan@kentlpc.org.uk) with your Full name,  
GPHC no, email address and phone number

Very limited spaces are available. Slot allocation will be based on first come first served.



#### **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.



#### **Important Update: Smoking Cessation locally commissioned Service – Varenicline PGD**

We are currently negotiating the inclusion of a Patient Group Direction (PGD) for Varenicline as part of the locally commissioned smoking cessation service in community pharmacy.

While these negotiations are ongoing, **we strongly recommend that pharmacy contractors refrain from signing any contracts related to the service** until the discussions are finalized.

We will provide a further update through all our communication channels as soon as the negotiations are complete and a final agreement is reached.



Join Kent & Medway  
Pharmacy Professionals Network  
for support



## PREPARING FOR YOUR 2025 ORIEL SUBMISSION

Deadline to submit onto Oriel for training year 2026/27  
11.59pm on 1st March 2025

### Supervision requirements

#### Designated Supervisor (DS)

Do you have a pharmacist within your pharmacy who can be the designated supervisor?  
Find requirements here:



#### Designated Prescribing Practitioner (DPP)

Who will provide prescribing supervision to your trainee?  
Find requirements here:  
(The DS and DPP can be the same person or roles can be separated)



### Programme descriptor

Use this section to 'sell' your programme  
(max 950 characters)  
**Include:**

- What is great about your programme?
- What training provision is in place?
- Working pattern: e.g. on call / weekend working / evening work expectations
- Consider URL link for further information
- What do trainees want to know / what is important to them?
- Location, particularly if across multiple sites – be very clear, travel links and public transport

**Find examples of descriptors here:**  
<https://london.wtepharmacy.nhs.uk/national-recruitment/>

Kent and Medway Pharmacy Workforce Team can proof read your descriptor and offer support – email draft to:  
[kmicb.pharmacyworkforce@nhs.net](mailto:kmicb.pharmacyworkforce@nhs.net)



### Oriel Support webinar

5th February 19:30-20:30  
Maria Staines NHS Kent & Medway &  
Mark Anyaebuna Community Pharmacy Kent

Register here



### Support available

**Terms of Participation:**



**Employer Handbook:**



 [kmicb.pharmacyworkforce@nhs.net](mailto:kmicb.pharmacyworkforce@nhs.net)  
[england.wtepharmacy.se@nhs.net](mailto:england.wtepharmacy.se@nhs.net)



Kent and Medway

### Oriel Webinar- We recommend contractors to attend this update webinar

I am delighted to announce that Kent LPC/ Kent and Medway ICB will be running an Oriel support webinar for pharmacy owners on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2025. Details are as below...

- Date: Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2025
- Time: 19:30-20:30
- Join using this link: [https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting\\_MTU1NTA5YzUtOTE4ZS00YTkyLTljMGMtMWZkOTA3ZDU5ZTVk%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%2237c354b2-85b0-](https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_MTU1NTA5YzUtOTE4ZS00YTkyLTljMGMtMWZkOTA3ZDU5ZTVk%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%2237c354b2-85b0-)

[47f5-b222-07b48d774ee3%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%228a835faf-121b-4133-aa25-e11c74acaf2a%22%7d](#)

Please contact Maria Staines at [kmicb.pharmacyworkforce@nhs.net](mailto:kmicb.pharmacyworkforce@nhs.net) if you need urgent support.



### **CPPE online NHS Pharmacy First workshop**

CPPE have limited spaces left on our **NHS Pharmacy First: Clinical assessment – essential skills online workshops**, where you can learn alongside other pharmacists with the benefit of a **GP medical practitioner** expert sharing their expertise to work through case studies, to help you apply your knowledge and further your skills.

Secure your place to learn in the comfort of your own environment on either **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> February or Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March 9:30am – 1:30pm** [here](#).

The aim of this learning programme is to support pharmacy professionals to develop the knowledge, skills and confidence needed to undertake effective consultations, communications and clinical assessments in order to provide the NHS Pharmacy First Service. This learning is currently only open for pharmacists and trainee pharmacists.

We look forward to working with you at these interactive workshops.

If you have any queries regarding booking either contact Tanya on [tanya.gray@cppe.ac.uk](mailto:tanya.gray@cppe.ac.uk) or [info@cppe.ac.uk](mailto:info@cppe.ac.uk)

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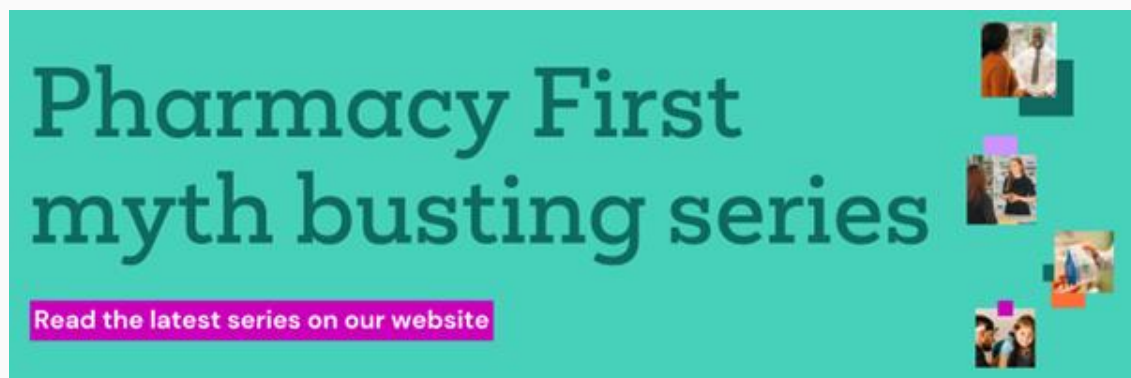


### **Medway Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) 2025 (Action required)**

#### **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 <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MedwayContractor2025> before 5<sup>th</sup> February 2025.



#### **Reminder: Pharmacy First myth busting series**

Community Pharmacy England has produced more myth busting series to tackle some of the misconceptions around Pharmacy First.

Top read more click this link [Pharmacy First: Claims may be investigated if provision is outside of service requirements - Community Pharmacy England](#)



*Pharmacy First claims may be investigated if provision is outside of service requirements.*

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### **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-to-face or virtually—to provide tailored guidance for your practice.

**To book your session**, please email [natalia.bejan@kentlpc.org](mailto: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.

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

[Manage Your Service \(MYS\) Pharmacy portal](#) will be unavailable due to essential maintenance between 7am and 6pm on the following days:

- **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](mailto:mys@nhsbsa.nhs.uk)
- 0300 330 1368

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



### **Register for CPE Data Security and Protection Toolkit 2025 Workshop**

Community Pharmacy England will be holding a webinar on **Thursday 13th February at 7.30pm** to help community pharmacy owners to complete the [Data Security and Protection Toolkit 2025](#).

Click this link to register [Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams](#)

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- [NHSE Primary Care Bulletin update.](#)
- [Medicines Optimisation Newsletter.](#)

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