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**Newsletter**

**11th July 2025**

**Week 29**

This newsletter contains important information for Pharmacy Owners and Staffs in Kent & Medway



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### **Flu and COVID vaccination training – BOOK NOW**

We are pleased to offer Flu and COVID vaccination training for Community Pharmacy teams across Kent. This training is ideal for those who require practical certification or a refresher ahead of the 2025/26 season. The course will be delivered by EGG Training.

Training will cover all practical skills required to vaccinate adults and children over the age of 2. As well as attending this 3.5hr course, you will have access to our online theory course. We will cover IM & SC injections, reconstitution of vaccines, intranasal vaccination, CPR, anaphylaxis and adrenaline for children and adults.

*The vaccination training is open to all healthcare/nonhealthcare professionals and trainee pharmacists.*

*Details on how to book*

- Date: 27<sup>th</sup> July 2025
- Time: Morning session: 9-12.30pm/ or Afternoon session: 1pm-4.30pm
- Cost: £46.15-£65.94 (cost varies depending on total number of attendees)
- Venue: Mercure Maidstone Great Danes Hotel ME17 1RE

**If you are interest, please email below to [admin@kentlpc.org.uk](mailto:admin@kentlpc.org.uk)**

- Full name:
- Pharmacy name:
- Mobile number
- Email address:
- Preferred session: AM or PM

**Please confirm your attendance by 15<sup>th</sup> July so we can know numbers.**

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# Christmas Opening Hours

**Christmas & New Year Bank Holidays 2025-26 – Please submit your opening hours intentions by 20 July (Deadline)**

In accordance with the Pharmaceutical Regulations, the South East Pharmacy Commissioning Hub are collating the detail of pharmaceutical provision during the Christmas & New Year bank Holidays 2025-26 period to ensure adequate

coverage across the region. This information will also be communicated to the public, NHS 111 and the Out of Hours services.

Please complete your opening hour declarations on the Christmas & New Year Bank Holidays 2025-26 using the link below

[click here to submit your opening hours declaration](#)

Depending on the responses received, we will ask separately about willingness to open under the Enhanced Service (paid).

***Please could you complete the online declaration via the link below no later than Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> July.***



**Complete your 2025/26 Community Pharmacy Assurance Framework questionnaire (deadline)**

The 2025/26 Community Pharmacy Assurance Framework (CPAF) screening questionnaire will open on Tuesday 1 July 2025.

It is now a regulatory requirement to complete the annual CPAF screening questionnaire.

**How to complete the CPAF screening questionnaire**

If you have a Manage Your Service (MYS) portal account:

- You must log in to your MYS account to access the CPAF questionnaire
- If you have not yet signed up to MYS, contact:  
pharmacysupport@nhsbsa.nhs.uk

***You must complete the questionnaire on or before 11:59pm on Thursday 31 July 2025.***

If you have any questions regarding the 2025/26 CPAF screening questionnaire, contact us at: pharmacysupport@nhsbsa.nhs.uk



## Pharmacy First

### **Pharmacy First referral via NHSmail**

We have noticed that some Pharmacy First referrals are being sent via NHSmail. As a result, we strongly advise the following actions:

1. Check your NHSmail account at least twice daily.
2. Ensure all referrals are actioned promptly.

Please note that it is a contractual requirement to regularly monitor your NHSmail account. If you require any support, please email the LPC office at [admin@kentLPC.org.uk](mailto:admin@kentLPC.org.uk).

## NHSBSA Online Webinars for Pharmacy Teams

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### **NHSBSA Online Webinars for Pharmacy Teams**

The NHS Business Services Authority (NHSBSA) regularly runs 60-minute webinars to support pharmacy teams with prescription processing and reimbursement. These sessions cover common submission errors, endorsement tips, and how to manage referred back prescriptions.

Webinars are held throughout the year, with several dates available each month.

Pharmacy teams involved in preparing and submitting prescriptions are encouraged to attend. To register for a session or request a tailored webinar, email [open-days@nhsbsa.nhs.uk](mailto:open-days@nhsbsa.nhs.uk).

Click the link to read more [NHSBSA Online Webinars for Pharmacy Teams - Community Pharmacy England](#)

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### **New Shortened claim Journey for DMS is live**

A simplified process for submitting Discharge Medicines Service (DMS) claims is now live, following feedback from Community Pharmacy England (CPE).

The new system applies to all DMS activity completed from 1st July onwards, and should also be used for claims where activity began before 30th June but not completed until after that date.

To help pharmacy teams understand how to use the new process and manage with the transition, CPE have published some FAQs.

[New shortened claim journey for DMS is live - Community Pharmacy England](#)

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### **Choosing your PoC supplier for autumn/winter 2025 Covid and flu vaccination campaign**

Community pharmacies participating in the autumn/winter Covid-19 and flu vaccination campaigns will soon need to select a [Point of Care \(PoC\) supplier](#). To support this, pharmacy colleagues are invited to register for webinars where suppliers will explain their systems:

- 28 July, 3pm – 3:45pm. [Positive Solutions Webinar](#)
- 29 July, 3pm – 3:45pm. [Cegedim Webinar](#)
- 30 July, 3pm – 3:45pm. [Sonar Webinar](#)
- 31 July, 3pm – 3:45pm. [Optum Webinar](#)
- 01 Aug, 3pm – 3:45pm. [RAVs Webinar](#)

Recordings will be uploaded to [FutureNHS](#). Supplier selection for assured sites will open from 7 August. Please share with relevant teams to support informed supplier selection.

Contact: [england.poconboarding@nhs.net](mailto:england.poconboarding@nhs.net) for any registration problems.

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**Kent Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment 2025 Consultation – reminder**

***This is a gentle reminder that the Kent PNA consultation is currently open and is now half-way.***

We would be grateful if you would support the Kent Health and Wellbeing Board by reading the draft PNA and completing the questionnaire which is hosted here [www.kent.gov.uk/pharmacyneeds](http://www.kent.gov.uk/pharmacyneeds).

The consultation will remain open until **4 August 2025**.



**Face to face event- Community Pharmacy England**

Community Pharmacy England will be holding a workshop in South East. This face-to-face event will enable pharmacy owners and their representatives to discuss the next steps for community pharmacy with us, which will feed directly into our priorities for the 2026/27 CCPF negotiations and beyond.



***Details of event and how to register is as below:***

Location: Crowne Plaza London Gatwick Airport, Langley Drive, Crawley, RH11 7SX

Timings: 8pm – 9.30pm, with doors open from 7pm when a hot buffet and light refreshments will be available, with informal networking and Q&A with the Community Pharmacy England team)

[Register your place here.](#)

This event is free to attend, but you are asked to register in advance. Please note, attendance is for pharmacy owners and their representatives.

Booking will **close on Wednesday 16th July**, unless we reach maximum numbers earlier.

Click link to read more [South East Pharmacy Workshop \(Wednesday 23rd July\) - Community Pharmacy England](#)



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