Community Pharmacy BLMK & Northants

Weekly Newsletter – w/c 15 July 2024

National Updates

NHSE opens EOI process for additional capacity for C-19 vacs service.

NHS England has announced a new expression of interest (EOI) process for pharmacy owners that wish to take part in the COVID-19 Vaccination Service from a location away from their pharmacy and are able to assist with the provision of further fixed sites services and /or outreach vaccination services.

Call for volunteers - Evaluation of the CPCF 2019 – 2024 clinical services.

Pharmacy owners and their teams (including locums) are asked to consider participating in an evaluation of the Community Pharmacy Contractual Framework (CPCF) 2019-24 clinical services.

Health Secretary announces mission to improve the health of the nation.

The new Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, Wes Streeting, **announced plans for his department to expand its focus to boost economic growth**, which includes an objective to cut waiting times and improve public health. **New health ministers, including pharmacy minister have also been announced.**

You can find your local MP on the **UK Parliament site**.

Local News

Want to become an LPC Member?

LPC members are at the heart of local community pharmacy planning and in a position to make policies and decisions to benefit contractors. They also have opportunities to make representations at a national level on behalf of the contractors they represent.

We currently have a vacancy on the committee for an Independent Contractor.

If that sounds like something you wish to be a part of, then please contact Anne-Marie King for an informal chat on 07889 412690 or email **anne-marie.king@blmk-n-communitypharmacy.org.uk**.

Applications will close on **Wednesday 31 July 2024**.

Training & Events

Community Pharmacy Technician: Advancing your role programme.

CPPE are planning to run a live Community Pharmacy Technician: advancing your role webinar on **Thursday 18 July 13:00 – 13:45**, to learn more about the programme and consider applying. **Registration for webinar**.

A full list of CPPE workshops and webinars can be found on the **BLMK-N-LPC website**.

Pharmacy Owners Events Programme.

As part of CPE's commitment to engaging with pharmacy owners, they will be holding a series of regional roadshow events across the country in **July 2024**. These events are a chance to learn more about what CPE do, to share your views and ask questions to CPE CEO Janet Morrison and the team. The events will be held in the evening and are free to attend for pharmacy owners only. A full list of dates and times can be found on the **CPE website**. CPE will also be running a digital version on **Tuesday 30 July 19:30 – 21:00** for those who may be unable to attend their regions event.

Reminders

2024/25 Community Pharmacy Assurance Framework (CPAF) screening questionnaire.

The 2024/25 Community Pharmacy Assurance Framework (CPAF) screening questionnaire is now available for completion until **midnight on Wednesday 31 July 2024**.

As a result of NHS regulations introduced at the end of 2020, completion of CPAF is now a requirement of the Terms of Service. **Therefore, pharmacy owners must complete the screening questionnaire and, if required, the full CPAF questionnaire**.

Medicines

Medicine Supply Notifications:

Ipratropium bromide 250micrograms/1ml and 500micrograms/2ml nebuliser liquid unit dose vials.