

National Updates

[Approach with new Government and strategic planning considered at June Committee Meeting.](#)

Community Pharmacy England reconsidered the immediate priorities for the new Government, alongside wider strategic planning, when members met in Birmingham last month.

[Global IT issue impacting some health IT systems.](#)

NHS England issued a communication to highlight the global IT issue which affected multiple IT systems across the world.

If you experience IT issues, pharmacy teams should use the normal reporting routes, which start with contacting your IT supplier.

More information on the escalation process for IT problems can be found in CPE [Reporting IT problems factsheet](#).

Where a pharmacy IT system is unavailable, the pharmacy owner will need to activate relevant parts of their business [continuity plan](#).

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**.

For Milton Keynes only – CDC live on electronic prescriptions.

The Milton Keynes Child Development Centre (CDC) will be going live with EPS from **Tuesday 23 July 2024**.

If you have any queries they can be contacted directly on 01908 724800.

Training & Events

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.

Are you confident in making clinical records?

As the provision of clinical services in community pharmacies continues to grow, pharmacy professionals who want to update their knowledge of best practice in record keeping can access the Centre for Pharmacy Postgraduate Education, [Documenting in patient clinical records e-learning programme](#).

NHS England – #Ask About Asthma Webinar

On Tuesday 10 September 2024 7:30pm – 8:30pm a free webinar is being run to learn about how pharmacy can support improvements in asthma care for children and young people.

For more information about the webinar and to reserve your place visit [NHS England website](#).

Reminders

CPAF screening process – less than two weeks to complete.

Pharmacy owners yet to complete the screening questionnaire are reminded that they have until **midnight on Wednesday 31 July 2024** to complete.

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

General:

[July 2024 Price Concessions 1st Update.](#)

[MHRA Drug Safety Update: July 2024.](#)

Medicine Supply Notifications:

[Quetiapine 150mg, 200mg, 300mg tablets – updated.](#)

[Carbamazepine 100mg/5ml oral suspension sugar free \(Accord\).](#)

Serious Shortage Supply:

[Nine SSPs issued for Quetiapine tablets.](#)

[Expiry of two Clarithromycin SSPS \(SSPO53 and SSPO54\).](#)

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