

GP Bulletin

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About this bulletin

To minimise the number of emails sent to practices, the Local Regional Team is using this weekly bulletin as its main method of communicating with practice managers covering the 361 practices in Bristol, Somerset, North Somerset, South Gloucestershire, Devon, Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly. The bulletins contain important information for practice managers, which might include requests for information and deadlines, as well as updates on issues relating to GP contracts.

Copies of the bulletins and attachments are available on our website:

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/south/info-professional/medical/dcis/gp-bulletin/>

If you have any questions or wish to provide feedback, please contact the Primary Care Team:

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 - None

Key Deadlines

CQRS declarations for payment in the same month	9 th of each month	Via CQRS
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Submit Extended Access Data	between 1st September 2017 to 29th September 2017	Via Primary Care Web Tool
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• Items for all Practices

IMPORTANT: Hepatitis B Paediatric vaccine

Please see attached letter from Public Health England setting out the schedule for hepatitis B paediatric vaccine options for babies born to hepatitis B infected mothers including the early opening of ordering for Infanrix hexa (DTaP/IPV/Hib/HepB.) There has been a shortage of hepatitis B vaccine impacting severely on U.K. supply. Ordering restrictions were put in place to protect paediatric vaccine for the neonatal selective immunisation programme. This letter provides an update to the current situation.

Mapping Tool Update

Some of you will remember being sent a link to a mapping tool in the spring of 2016. The link enabled you to see your practice area and also plotted where your patients live. This is a dynamic tool so it gets regularly updated with capitation figures. The team that supports the Mapping Tool have now enhanced it and it also includes some information to show traveling distances and also deprivation information.

Over the next couple of weeks each Practice Manager will receive an individual email with their link in case you cannot easily find it. Some practices have already received their email, but if you haven't it will arrive; we just have to contact each of the 360 practices which does take a bit of time. Attached is a document which describes some of the new features.

Reminder: General Practice Workforce Analysis Tool (GP WAT) update

The General Practice Workforce Analysis Tool (GP WAT) has just been updated on the Models of Care Portal, the latest version can be downloaded via <https://modelsofcare.co.uk/workforcetool>

Based on the latest NHS Primary Care Workforce Census data, improvements to the GP WAT include:

- Data tables showing detailed information breakdown per CCG or STP
- Practices grouped by cluster
- Practices identified by various quintiles including IMD, QOF and patients over 65 and 80
- Percentage of GPs and Nurses aged over 50 and 55 to indicate potential workforce retirement

The Models of Care Portal is a web platform developed as part of the programme to support workforce sustainability. The unique online resource is available across the NHS to aid learning, share tools and the achievements of health organisations. To register click [here](#).

If you would like to share examples of your good practice, have any improvement suggestions or would like an overview of the portal individually or at a meeting, please get in touch with andrea.melluish@nhs.net.

Reminder: Hexavalent Vaccination Training 2017 - for the attention of all immunisers

There will be a change of the routine immunisation schedule for babies born on or after 1st August 2017. To support this change the Screening and Immunisations Team will be running webex training sessions. The training dates are available on the attached Hexavalent Vaccination Training 2017 poster. Training slides are available on the NHSE website:

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/south/info-professional/public-health/immunisations/>

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None

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