

# GP Bulletin

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## About this bulletin

This bulletin contains important information for practice managers, including 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 –

<http://www.england.nhs.uk/south/dcis-at/professionals/medical/gp-bulletin/>

If you have any questions or wish to provide feedback, please contact the Primary Care Team for Bristol, North Somerset, Somerset, South Gloucestershire, Devon Cornwall and Isles of Scilly by emailing: [england.primarycaremedical@nhs.net](mailto:england.primarycaremedical@nhs.net)

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## Key Deadlines

Directed Enhanced Services Claims	08/07/2016	Submission of DES Claim Forms should be sent to – <a href="mailto:england.pcfincesw@nhs.net">england.pcfincesw@nhs.net</a>
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- **Items for all Practices**

### **CD Newsletter – July 2016**

Please find attached the latest CD Newsletter for your information.

- **Items for Bristol, North Somerset, Somerset and South Gloucestershire Practices only**

### **APMS Award for Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire**

NHS England has been working jointly with Bristol, South Gloucestershire and North Somerset CCGs on the reprocurement of 4 APMS contract which are due to time expire on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2016.

The procurement saw bidders being invited to bid for one or more lots as follows:

Lot 1: Broadmead Medical Centre (Bristol)

Lot 2: The Homeless Health Service (Bristol)

Lot 3: Emerson's Green Surgery (South Gloucestershire)

Lot 4 St Georges Surgery (North Somerset)

Following a formal reprocurement process, NHS England has awarded the following:

Lot 1: Broadmead Medical Centre to BrisDoc

Lot 2: The Homeless Health Service to BrisDoc

Lot 3: Emerson's Green Surgery to Emerson's Green Surgery

We were unable to award Lot 4 – St George's Surgery as the bidders did not demonstrate the required standards set out in the contract. We want to ensure patients continue to have access to a primary care service when the current contract expires and as such, we are re-procuring the contract for St George's as a branch surgery from an existing provider.

Procuring the contract in this way:

- allows the continuation of medical services to be provided from the site;
- enables the services at the site to be further developed and accommodate some of the additional demand brought about by nearby planned housing development;
- allows providers under the medical services framework to develop their transformation plans.

The tender for the contract has gone out and the re-procurement bids are due on 7 July. We will assess all bidders and hopefully have a new contract in place by 1 October 2016, along with the providers for Lots 1, 2 and 3.

- **Items for Devon, Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Practices only**

### **Dental Helpline Poster – Devon, Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Practices only**

If a patient attends the Practice with dental issues please refer them to the Dental Helpline – please see attached poster for further information.

## **Additional funded (free to Practice Nurses) Immunisation training – NEW Devon Practices and South Devon and Torbay Practices**

The item below was included in last week's Bulletin – please be aware that this Immunisation Training is also available to South Devon and Torbay Practice –

Further to the recent Immunisation Training Survey the Screening & Immunisation Team asked practices to complete, this has given us an idea about how many Practice Nurses and HCAs require training. We have now put on a significant number of additional immunisation training events to take place this year across the region.

All the immunisation training provided has been quality assured by the Screening and Immunisation Team, PHE/NHS England – South (South West) as meeting the National Standards for Immunisation Training.

Please ensure that you take advantage of this additional provision as it is one off funding and available to **all** practices. Details of all the funded immunisation training has been added to the Devon PN website: <http://devonpn.co.uk/> search immunisations.

## **CCG starts engagement on gluten-free prescribing – Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Practices only**

NHS Kernow is carrying out a public engagement exercise on the future prescribing and NHS supply of gluten-free products to patients with coeliac disease and dermatitis herpetiformis in Cornwall and Isles of Scilly.

The period of engagement runs from 24 June until 12 August. Full details can be found at: <https://www.kernowccg.nhs.uk/get-involved/consultation/gluten-free-prescribing-case-for-change/>