

GP Bulletin

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About this bulletin

To minimise the number of emails sent to practices, the Area Team is using this weekly bulletin as its main method of communicating with practice managers covering the 381 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.

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

england.primarycaremedical@nhs.net

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Key Deadlines

Directed Enhanced Services Claims	10/10/2016	Submission of DES Claim Forms should be sent to – england.pcfinaancesw@nhs.net
Procurement ITN Stage 1 Submission Closing Date (Draft Bids)	14/09/2016	https://in-tendhost.co.uk/scwcsu/asp/Home
Measles Outbreak Service	30/09/2016	Sign up form to be returned to – phcontractssouthwest@nhs.net
Workforce Minimum Data Set Return	1/10/2016 – 26/10/2016	Submission via Primary Care Web Tool

• Items for all Practices

SFE Claims

The Medical Team now manages SFE claims for practices across the area. Practices should submit applications and claims via the generic account: england.primarycaremedical@nhs.net

Applications for maternity, paternity & adoption claims need to be submitted as early as possible **in advance**.

General Practice Forward View Engagement Events

Following the successful Engagement Event in Taunton at the beginning of August a further event has been arranged at the China Fleet Country Club in Saltash on Tuesday, 11th October 2016 from 7 pm to 9.30 pm.

As with the August event, the Regional and National Primary Care Teams would like to provide details of how the GP Forward View plans are being implemented and there will be opportunity to quiz the team and discuss how the new National Development Programme could best serve your practices.

Places are limited so please register as soon as possible using the links below –

<https://www.events.england.nhs.uk/nhsengland/273/home>

A flyer has also been attached for publication.

Please be aware that there are other events around the country if this event is not feasible - the details are on the website <https://www.england.nhs.uk/ourwork/tsd/care-data/events/>

South West Primary Care Awards and Conference

As you may have already seen via other mailing, NHS England South (South West) is running a Conference and Awards Event on **14 October** to celebrate the great work that many of our practices are already involved in and which is starting to demonstrate the **GPFV (GP Forward View) in action**. Details of the event and awards can be found in the attached flyer and we hope that you will be able to join us and enter into one of the categories.

To book a place please click on the link below

The awards/conference will be held on **Friday, 14 October** at Exeter Racecourse from 9 am to 2.15 pm - so please save the date! The link to book your place is provided below:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/south-west-primary-care-innovation-awards-conference-tickets-27539578621>

Please see the attached information to enter your great work and the chance to win an award
Remember you need to be in it to have a chance of winning.

Open Exeter queries from October 2016

Please be aware that as from October 2016 Open Exeter queries should be sent to lasca.customerservices@nhs.net – Telephone Number: 01772 221317

Workforce Minimum Data Set – October 2016

Please find attached a letter providing details of the next Workforce Minimum Data Set return.

Updated Technical Requirements 2016/17 Document

[NHS Employers](#) have published the updated 2016/17 Technical Requirements document. Version 3 now includes a new section on the 2016/17 dementia data collection and a new Read code for the learning disabilities enhanced service.

Whooping cough (pertussis) vaccination programme promotion

NHS England South writes to ask for your support in increasing the uptake by pregnant women of the whooping cough (pertussis) vaccine and to notify you that a campaign to promote the vaccine will run across the region from Monday 12 September.

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

None

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

Response to measles outbreak in Devon – Devon Practices only

You will be aware there has been an increase in cases of measles across the south west during 2016. In particular there has been a community outbreak in the south Devon area. In response to this we are offering a locally commissioned service to practices in Devon in order to help reduce the spread of measles within the local community. The specific details can be found in the attached document - locally commissioned service in a response to a measles outbreak. Some services (part one in the attached) are only applicable to the listed practices in areas with the highest incidence of measles. This will reviewed in line with the epidemiology of the outbreak. The services listed in part two - service elements commissioned from practices outside the outbreak area, are applicable to all practices in Devon. Could all Devon practices please review the details of the service and then complete part two of the sign-up sheet to indicate whether your practice would like to participate. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to e-mail phcontractssouthwest@nhs.net we would be very grateful if the sign-up sheet could be returned to this e-mail address by 30th September.