

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:
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Key Deadlines

CQRS declarations for payment in the same month	9 th of each month	Via CQRS
Directed Enhanced Services Claims	09/11/2016	Submission of DES Claim Forms should be sent to – england.pcfinaancesw@nhs.net
Workforce Minimum Data Set Return	1/10/2016 – 26/10/2016	Submission via Primary Care Web Tool
General Practice Access Data	03/10/2016 – 31/10/2016	Submission via Primary Care Web Tool
AUA Report	31/10/2016	Completed AUA reports to be returned to england.primarycaremedical@nhs.net

• Items for all Practices

Update on Progress Against General Practice Forward View Commitments (Publications Gateway Reference No. 05943)

NHS England has published an update [setting out the latest measures](#) it is implementing to help general practice cope with increasing demand - boosting GP numbers and tackling burnout as part of the [General Practice Forward View](#).

A nationwide, £19.5m [NHS GP Health service](#) will be introduced in January 2017, aimed at improving access to mental health support for general practitioners and trainee GPs while the [Induction and Refresher scheme](#) will be revamped to speed up the time it takes for GPs to return to practice in England.

Contact for further information: For Induction and Refresher Scheme please contact: england.primarycareworkforce@nhs.net and for GP Health Service please contact: england.primarycareops@nhs.net

Update to South West Flu Immunisation Programme For Children 2016/17

The attached document provides an update to FAQs and pathways. There is a summary of the changes on page two of the document.

• Items for Bristol, North Somerset, Somerset and South Gloucestershire Practices only

None

- **Item for Somerset, Devon, Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Practices only**
South West General Practice Indemnity Cost Survey – Please complete

A key concern within general practice is that the cost of indemnity has increased to an unsustainable rate. In the South West region (Cornwall, Devon and Somerset) other practitioners, as well as GPs, are impacted by the costs and availability of indemnity cover. Acknowledging the recent National GP Indemnity Review, the South West Academic Health Science Network and NHS England are working together to explore the idea of the South West becoming a ‘test bed’ for an indemnity cover new model of care which meets the future needs for general practice.

For the right solution to be found it is important for us to first obtain some information from practices about your indemnity cover. A quick survey for all practitioners working in general practice has been developed to ask about current and historical indemnity premium. You can assist in finding the solution to the rising cost of indemnity premium by completing the survey [here](#).

The survey will be running until end of October and it can be completed either by a Practice Manager on behalf of all the practitioners or individually.

Indemnity Workshop – Finding a solution

You are invited to take part in the South West Indemnity Insurance workshop with the NHS England National Team on 29 November 2016 8:30am – 1pm at Exeter Racecourse.

The workshop will be led by Dr David Geddes, Head of Primary Care Commissioning, NHS England and Keira Liburd, Assistant Head of Primary Care, Quality and Regulation – Interim, NHS England. The workshop will scope the potential for the South West to become a test bed for a new model of Indemnity cover which meets the future needs of General Practice. All attendees are welcome, we recognise the value in a broad representation from across general practice.

If you would like to please register [here](#) or for more information contact [Jennifer Baker](#).

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

None