

# 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 350 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: [england.primarycaremedical@nhs.net](mailto:england.primarycaremedical@nhs.net)

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## Key Deadlines

CQRS declarations for payment in the same month	9 <sup>th</sup> of each month	Via CQRS
Maternity, paternity, parental or sickness absence	Last working day of each month	Via email to <a href="mailto:england.primarycaremedical@nhs.net">england.primarycaremedical@nhs.net</a>

### • Items for all Practices

#### **Update on Diamorphine supply issue- June 2018**

Further to our messages last month, we have updated our networks on the diamorphine supply situation.

Please see both attached documents for further information (Diamorphine Information & Patient Information Diamorphine)

#### **Lessons learned from the death of a child: Safe handling of medication patches**

A child in Cornwall sadly died due to a fentanyl patch belonging to the parent attaching to the child's skin. This is a sobering reminder of the importance of patients keeping their medicines out of reach and sight of children. We would like to share some of the specific learning that has come to light as a result of this case.

Please see attached document for more information

#### **Parental and Sickness Leave Reimbursement Claims**

The application forms for reimbursement of cover for GP performers for Parental Leave and Sickness Absence have been updated please use the attached forms for future applications.

Please see attached documents for more information

#### **South West Child Health Information Service – Data Sharing Agreements**

Health Intelligence has received a few queries concerning the GP Practice Data Sharing Agreement (DSA). These generally express some concerns about the data items that are proposed to be exported and transferred across to the Child Health Information Service (CHIS). To clarify, the only data items that will be exported from GP systems under the terms of this DSA are:

- The cohort of children (aged until 18 years of age)
- The child's administrative and demographic details
- The child's vaccination data
- The child's physical examination and developmental checks

- The child's diagnosis of Hep B and Tuberculosis (if recorded as being diagnosed)
- Women aged 13 to 60 years old with a pregnancy status or record of giving birth recorded within the past 12 months and having a history of BCG vaccination or HepB (to allow for additional failsafe of the targeted immunisation programmes).

Health Intelligence has produced the attached document which states the read codes being exported from your GP clinical system. Please note that the step which lists codes regarding the end of pregnancy are simply to exclude any women who may not have given birth from the export to make it as accurate as possible, the details of these women will therefore not be extracted from your clinical system. If any GP Practice has questions/queries regarding their Data Sharing Agreement and/or the data to be exported, then please liaise with PJ Kirby at Health Intelligence ([pj.kirby@health-intelligence.com](mailto:pj.kirby@health-intelligence.com))

Finally can you please email your signed Data Sharing Agreement to Health Intelligence using this address [supportdesk@health-intelligence.com](mailto:supportdesk@health-intelligence.com). We would appreciate it if DSAs could be returned by the end of August where possible. The attached flyer contains the details of the date that your local office will transfer to Health Intelligence and the new contact details.

### **June PCSE GP Bulletin**

Please see the attached bulletin from PCSE which has recently been shared with practices

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

#### **Urgent re Measles cases in a Nursery in the BS5 area of Bristol**

Public Health England is working with Bristol City Council, the NHS and the nursery following confirmation of one confirmed and two probable cases of measles.

Immediate close contacts that may have been exposed to the cases while they were infectious have been identified and followed up. A letter is being posted on the nursery website and a text message is going out to all parents of children at the nursery on Monday 25th 2018 to warn them about the cases and urge them to check their children are up to date with MMR vaccination.

Please see attached document for further information

- **Items for North, East and West Devon Practices only**

#### **Last chance to vote on joint commissioning responsibility for general practice**

Local GP practices have a few days left to vote in a ballot about joint commissioning responsibility for general practice.

NEW Devon Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) is at the point where it is appropriate to formally seek the support of its membership about the CCG taking on joint responsibility with NHS England (NHSE) for the commissioning of general practice. Devon Local Medical Committee (LMC) is overseeing the ballot. Each practice has previously been sent a ballot paper and there is one vote per practice. If your practice has not already done so, please complete the form – which was recirculated this week – and return it to the LMC by noon on Wednesday, 27 June.

- **Items for South Devon and Torbay Practices only – CCG**  
**None**
  
- **Items for Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Practices only**  
**None**