

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

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Key Deadlines

CQRS 2018/19 Service Offers Sign-up	ASAP	Via CQRS
CQRS declarations for payment in the same month	9 th of each month	Via CQRS
General Practice Extended Access Collection	3 rd – 28 th September	via the Primary Care Web Tool
Seasonal Influenza Vaccination programme for Health and Social Care Workers 2018/19 sign-up	By Friday 21 st September 2018	Via email to england.primarycaremedical@nhs.net
Maternity, paternity, parental or sickness absence	Last working day of each month	Via email to england.primarycaremedical@nhs.net

- **Items for all Practices**

Frequently Asked Questions to support adjuvanted trivalent vaccine (aTIV - Fluad) for over 65s

Please see the attached FAQ guide.

Seasonal Influenza for Health and Social Care Staff – Clinical Coding Information

As you will have noted, the 2018/19 technical requirements document (www.nhsemployers.org/vandi201819) provides specific SNOMED codes for the recording of vaccinations, on the clinical system, undertaken for this enhanced service. As GP clinical systems do not yet work in SNOMED, proxy Read/ CTV codes will be created to record this information. However, these codes will not be in place until the end of October.

We would recommend that Practices keep a record of patients vaccinated under this enhanced service, to enable easier retrospective coding when the codes become available. Please do not use the 9OX4. Read code for these patients as they will then be included in the automated extraction for the separate Seasonal Influenza Vaccination Programme 2018-19.

Please note that it is not possible to mandate that GP system suppliers (GPSS) create template searches for their customers to support these claims. Confirmation of this will need to come from individual GPSS or Practices will have to undertake their own searches.

Notifications from PharmOutcomes

As in previous years pharmacies will record flu vaccinations on PharmOutcomes generating a notification which will be sent to you via secure email. You will be able to identify the email as it will come from Pinnacle Health whose secure address is iow.pinnaclehealth@nhs.net

In order to allow the above, it is important that Pinnacle Health has the correct secure email address held in PharmOutcomes for your practice. If your preferred secure email address is already in the system you should have received a verification email from PharmOutcomes in early July. If you haven't already done so, it is important that you respond to this verification as requested confirming that is still your preferred setting. If you think you have an email set for notification purposes and did not receive a verification email, please contact the Pinnacle Support Team at helpdesk@phpartnership.com to arrange for your details to be checked.

Physical Health in Severe Mental Illness Event

Thursday 8th November 2018, 09:30-16:30, Holiday Inn Taunton Jct 25 M5, Deane Gate Avenue, Taunton, TA1 2UA

The South West Mental Health Clinical Network would like to invite you to our **Physical Health in Severe Mental Health Illness Event** on Thursday 8 November 2018.

People living with severe mental illness (SMI) face one of the greatest inequality gaps in England. The life expectancy for people with SMI is 15-20 years lower than the general population. This disparity in health outcomes is partly due to physical health needs being overlooked. Smoking is the largest avoidable cause of premature death with more than 40% of adults with severe mental illness smoking. Individuals with SMI also have double the risk of obesity and diabetes, three times the risk of hypertension and metabolic syndrome, and five times the risk of dyslipidaemia than the general population.

NHS England Five Year Forward View for Mental Health is committed to leading work with CCGs, Primary and Secondary Care to offer NICE recommended screening to ensure that by 2018/19, 280,000 people living with severe mental illness have their physical health needs met by increasing early detection and expanding access to evidence based physical care assessment and intervention. This will improve the quality of physical healthcare for people with SMI as part of a broader commitment across STPs to reduce premature mortality and address health inequalities; alongside the expectation outlined in the Improving physical healthcare to reduce premature mortality in people with SMI CQUIN 2017-2019 that 50% of all physical health assessments will be undertaken within primary care.

Outcomes:

- Understand the **challenges and difficulties** being faced in both **primary care and secondary care settings**
- Find out the **local and national approach** to physical health checks for people with severe mental health illness
- Provide an opportunity to **discuss shared care protocols** and to share **local good practice**

- To provide a platform from where **needs and challenges** can be discussed and how we can **learn from each other**
- Explore approaches for maintaining an **overview of performance** for physical health checks and intervention
- Discuss developing the **digital requirements** to meet the needs of the service

Details of Key Speakers and programme for the day to follow shortly.

Certificate of attendance will be available, on request, post event.

Target audience:

General Practitioners, Primary Care Health Teams and Mental Health Leads, CCG Service Managers and Mental Health GP Leads, Mental Health Service Providers and Acute Trusts, Public Health England, Health Education England, Physical Health Forums/Care Groups, NHS Digital Mental Health Leads

To book your place on this master class please follow the link below:

[Register for the event here](#)

Extended Access Collection: Information for GP Practices

The bi-annual General Practice Extended Access Collection is now open via the [Primary Care Web Tool](#) for online submission from **3rd to 28th September 2018**. All GP Practices are required to make this mandatory submission and it is important to note that even if your Practice does not provide extended hours and/or Improved Access, you will still need make a 'nil return' by the deadline. NHS England has published updated [guidance](#) to assist general practice with this.

There are two sets of questions, the first on extended access (hours) offered at your own Practice and should be completed by the Practice to reflect the local arrangements for extended hours provision that is available for your own patients only. The second set of questions are similar to the first, however, the questions are about the extended access provision (improved access) delivered by a group of Practices of which the Practice is a member.

If you are new and require access, please ensure you have registered to use the primary care website here <https://www.primarycare.nhs.uk/register.aspx> and contact your NHS England regional team to request relevant access by emailing england.primarycaremedical@nhs.net

For further questions about the collection itself, for example clarification of the survey questions please contact england.biannual@nhs.net. Please note that this mailbox is only to be used for enquiries specifically relating to the bi-annual extended access collection only, and should not be used for any other data collection.

Save the date: 'Keeping your head above water'

Please see the attached flyer

GP Contract Technical Requirements for 2018/19 – Version 3 Published

NHS Employers have now published Version 3 of the 'Technical Requirements for 2018/19 GMS Contract Changes' document. The document is available to download from the NHS Employers website (on the right-hand side of the page), see the version control page for details of changes. Please make sure that you use this version when reviewing and checking coding requirements, to ensure that automated extractions are correct.

<http://www.nhsemployers.org/your-workforce/primary-care-contacts/general-medical-services/gms-contract-changes/gms-contract-changes-201819>

Health Protection team change of email

Please note the email address has changed and is now swhpt@phe.gov.uk

DSQS

The 2018/2019 Dispensary Services Quality Scheme (DSQS) paperwork was emailed to all dispensing practices on 11 September. If you didn't receive the email please contact the pharmacy team as soon as possible via england.pharmacysouthwest@nhs.net

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

Management of Yeovil orthodontic and oral surgery and maxillofacial services to transfer to Musgrove

The management of Yeovil Hospital's orthodontic and oral surgery and maxillofacial services (OMF) is transferring to Musgrove Park Hospital from 1 October 2018.

This follows recommendations in the Somerset sustainability and transformation plan (STP) that the services fall under a lead provider for the county to provide greater resilience, as well as more timely access for patients.

Patients won't notice any difference, except a different logo on the top of their appointment letter, and their actual appointments will take place at the same location as before.

Please note it is only the management that has changed and activity will continue to take place at Yeovil Hospital as normal.

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

None

- **Items for South Devon and Torbay CCG - CCG Delegation Light**

None

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

None