About this bulletin
To minimise the number of emails sent to practices, NHS England and NHS Improvement – South West 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 affecting payments, as well as updates on issues relating to GP contracts. We recognise that CCGs with delegated authority may also issue information to practices regarding their areas of specific responsibility, however, the bulletin remains relevant to the practices in those areas in terms of the public health areas for which NHS England and Improvement remain responsible.

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 declarations for payment in the same month | 9th of each month | Via CQRS |
| Maternity, paternity, parental or sickness absence | Last working day of each month | Via email to england.primarycaremedical@nhs.net |

Items for all Practices

CQRS Extraction Issues – Microtest Practices only
As you will be aware there has been a technical problem with the Microtest extraction of April 2019 activity for the following services, which has affected all Microtest Practices:

- Rotavirus 2019/20
- Pertussis 2019/20
- Pneumococcal 2019/20
- Shingles Catch Up 2019/20
- Shingles Routine 2019/20
- Dem Data (October – October collection) 2018/19

Microtest technical team investigations have rectified the root cause of the issue and have carried out corrective action. A re-extraction for the affected Practices is being undertaken and you should shortly have activity data showing for the achievement date of 30 April 2019 to review and declare.

We are currently awaiting further guidance regarding the mis-provided data for achievement date 31 March 2020, and you should not declare submissions for this achievement date. When the actual extraction runs for this achievement date the current data will be over-written, as long as the submission has not been fully approved.

Primary Care Digital Transformation forum – digital leaders in primary care
A new online forum for digital leaders in primary care will be launching soon (formed by NHS England’s Primary Care Digital Transformation team). The aim is to build a national network of Chief Clinical Information Officers, Clinical Information Officers, Chief Nursing Information Officers and clinicians with a digital/IT portfolio within their CCG role. The forum will be used to communicate key messages from NHS England’s digital programmes including the GP IT Operating Model, receive feedback, create discussion forums, promote events, workshops, training and briefing sessions for its members and share local successes and examples of good practice. Register your interest by emailing england.digitalleaders@nhs.net.

Time for Care – support for general practices extended
The Time for Care Programme is part of the support available through the General Practice Forward View. It helps general practice teams manage their workload, adopt and
spread innovations that free up clinical time for care, and develop skills and confidence to lead local improvement. The programme of support has now been extended and will continue to be available to general practice teams. We apologise that the link in the last bulletin did not work. Please use the below link for further details:

https://www.england.nhs.uk/gp/gpfv/redesign/gpdp/releasing-time/

Reminder: South West Perinatal and Infant Mental Health Clinical Network – Improving Quality and Consistency for Perinatal and Infant Mental Health in Primary Care

The RCGP GP Spotlight Project has launched in the South West and is now available to better support GPs, their practice staff as well as Health Visitors and Midwives to be competent and confident in recognition, treatment and support for women with perinatal mental health problems. This networking and training event is being made available to support the spread of understanding and identification of Perinatal Mental Health conditions. Please see the attached flyer and below for further information.

Improving Quality & Consistency for Perinatal & Infant Mental Health in Primary Care being held on Wednesday, 22 May 2019 at Clevedon Hall, Clevedon, 10:00 – 16:00 (registration opens at 09:30). This event is free and open to GPs, Practice Nurses, GP Practice staff, Health Visitors, Midwives and Community Midwives.

The purpose of this learning and training event is designed to support the spread of understanding and identification of Perinatal Mental Health conditions. The programme for the day will include the following speakers and training:

Chair: Dr Laurie Windsor, Consultant Perinatal Psychiatrist, Devon Partnership NHS Trust
Keynote Speaker: Dr Jo Black, Associate National Clinical Director for Perinatal Mental Health and Consultant Perinatal Psychiatrist, Devon Partnership Trust
Keynote Speaker: Dr David Soodeen, Primary Care and Clinical Lead for South West Mental Health Network
Theatre Group: Documental – Perinatal Lived Experience (interactive session)
Training session: South West GP Perinatal Mental Health Champions – on identifying and supporting women with Perinatal Mental Health


Items for Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire Practices only
None

Items for Somerset Practices only

Rates and Water Reimbursement Forms
Please see attached amended Rates and Water Reimbursement Forms.
Items for Devon Practices only
None

Items for Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Practices only

Action Required – CQRS Service Offer
The following contractual service has been offered to Practice on CQRS:

- Indicators No Longer In QOF 2018/19

Please note that this service is a contractual requirement, information about the service can be found by following the link. Please log into CQRS and accept this service, under the Participation tab (noting that you will need to change the financial year to 2018/19), as soon as possible and no later than 5 June 2019.