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

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<td>Upload seasonal influenza vaccine uptake for patients and frontline healthcare workers</td>
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- **Items for all Practices**

**Updated contact details for GPs requesting a patient's British armed forces medical records**

When an individual leaves the British armed forces, they are given a copy of their summary medical record, together with information on how to obtain their full service medical record if needed. This should be given to the NHS GP they register with, however if this information has been lost, GPs can request it from the relevant armed forces service. [https://www.rcgp.org.uk/clinical-and-research/resources/a-to-z-clinical-resources/veteran-friendly-gp-practices.aspx](https://www.rcgp.org.uk/clinical-and-research/resources/a-to-z-clinical-resources/veteran-friendly-gp-practices.aspx)

**Immunisations – guidance from Public Health England**

Public Health England has issued guidance with examples to help health and care professionals make interventions to promote the benefits and increase uptake of immunisations. This guide is part of ‘All Our Health’, a resource which helps health and care professionals prevent ill health and promote wellbeing as part of their everyday practice. The information below will help frontline health and care staff use their trusted relationships with patients, families and communities to promote the benefits of immunisation.


**Dementia Training Videos for Primary Care**

The South West Mental Health Clinical Network have produced a series of short training videos, aimed at GPs, on dementia. The purpose of these videos is to upskill and build upon existing knowledge of dementia to provide confidence to those involved in supporting patients who may be concerned, going through tests or for those who have been diagnosed with dementia.
These videos are presented by Dr Peter Bagshaw, a GP based in Somerset who is also the Clinical Lead for Dementia for the South West Mental Health Clinical Network and the Clinical Lead for Mental Health and Dementia at Somerset CCG. As a GP for over 30 years, Dr Bagshaw is passionate about improving dementia care and in the past has led service redesigns for dementia alongside sitting on the national Improvement and Assessment Framework dementia expert panel.

To view the suite of videos, click: Here

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