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| **Weekly Update**Tuesday 12th May 2020 |

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| Avon LPC's Chief Officer Richard Brown gave an update on Covid19 recently. If you missed the live webinar you can catch up here. |

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| **CLENIL100 INHALERS**Please note that due to the recent increased demand for Clenil 100, the manufacturer has released additional batches to wholesalers. However there will be some variations in the appearance of these inhalers. Please reassure your patients that they are the same inhaler although the colour may be different.  |

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| **ALL PHARMACIES**Please note that Jon Hayhurst is now the Controlled Drugs Accountable Officer for BANES, Bristol, South Gloucestershire and North Somerset.To get in touch with him or his team with regard to destroying CD’s or anything else, please click below: |

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| Avon LPC has a Covid-19 page with useful local information, please click below: |

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| **RPS guidance has been issued on new CD regulations for Pandemic Supply**Three changes to the Misuse of Drugs Regulations 2001 have come into force to provide Minsters with emergency powers to help ensure that community pharmacies can continue to supply patients in critical times during a pandemic. The changes ONLY come into force if activated by Minsters and will only apply in very limited circumstances.  |

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| **Advanced Service - Pandemic Delivery Service Claims** |

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| **PPE**For guidance on how to order PPE |

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| **Pharmacy Staff Testing for Covid-19**Testing will allow those currently unable to return to work because they or a member of their family or household have symptoms of coronavirus to know whether they do have the virus. |

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| **Returned Medicines**Guidance has now been issued on how pharmacies can safely handle patient returns  during Covid-19. There is a list of things to consider, a suggested procedure  and a checklist to work through |

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| **Review of Social distancing and infection control in you Pharmacy**PSNC have published a risk assessment template that you can use to increase the safety of your team and patients during Covid-19. |

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| [**For the template click here**](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=2f863275d7&e=3e5221b889) |

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| **All Pharmacies**Please note that once the current electronic scripts have finished some prescribers will be going back to blue scripts. Please ensure that the electronic script is completed first to avoid any duplication.  |

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| **Examples of Notable practice**The GPhC inspectors have identified examples of good and excellent practice by pharmacies in response to the challenges and issues they are facing at this time.  These brief examples cover issues including managing delivery services, supporting vulnerable patients and working effectively with other local organisations during the pandemic.The GPhC would encourage people working across pharmacy to use these examples to learn from others and to continuously improve outcomes for people using their pharmacy’s services during the COVID-19 pandemic.   |

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| [**To view examples please click here**](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=4986811410&e=3e5221b889) |

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| Please find attached a letter from the University giving an update on current and future courses including Managing Minor ailments. |

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| All face to face training/meetings cancelled until further notice**BNSSG PGD’s -**to ensure you are ready when we do resume face to face training please ensure that all the mandatory training has been completed.  |

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| [**Please click here for further information**](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=1c5db5891d&e=3e5221b889) |

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| **Community Pharmacy Contractual Framework** |

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| **Identification of patients eligible for eRD** To help support the response to COVID-19, the NHS Business Services Authority (NHSBSA) is introducing a system to automatically identify patients  in GP practices that may be eligible for electronic Repeat Dispensing (eRD).Practices moving to eRD **must** discuss their plans with local community pharmacies and, similarly, CCGs embarking on moving patients to eRD **must** discuss plans with their LPC prior to switching.   |

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| **Annex C Information**Contact information required for you to complete Annex C of the Service Specification.  |

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| [**Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire Info**](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=76b1110b8a&e=3e5221b889) |

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| **Prescribing of Controlled Drugs using North Bristol Trust Electronic Prescribing System**Please be aware that the system is adding “ml” incorrectly to the end of the prescribing quantity field even when it is tablets etc being prescribed. Clinicians have been advised to cross out and initial the “ml” annotation to avoid confusion for community pharmacists. The trust will soon be implementing a new prescribing system which stop the issue. |

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| **FOR B&NES Pharmacies**Please see attached local information and support available for anyone wishing to stop smoking  |

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| **North Somerset Pharmacies ONLY** All North Somerset Pharmacies need to sign and complete a contract for the following services: Sexual Health services for under 25’sSupervised Consumption ServicePharmacy Needle ExchangeSupport to Stop SmokingIf you are a multiple your Head Office will be dealing with this. Please contact Debbie on avonlpc@gmail.com if you need assistance with this. |

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| Please share any good news stories about team members of patients with us by e mailing avonlpc@gmail.com |

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| Any updates about Brexit will be found in this section of the newsletter going forward.  |

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