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| **Weekly Update**Tuesday 28th July 2020 |

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| **BRISTOL Pharmacies ONLY**Public Health England have asked that information on Group A Streptococcus (GAS) is shared with Homeless services, workers and volunteers in Bristol. Please can you share a copy of the leaflet with appropriate people.  |

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| The Annual General Meeting of Avon LPC will be held at 13:30pm on Wednesday 9th September, this year it will be held online. Click below for details of the reports and accounts for 2019-20.Please email - avonlpc@gmail.com if you wish to attend the AGM.  |

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| **20/21 FLU Vaccination Programme**We are still waiting for more guidance but please click here for information about the additional groups that have been added. |

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| Please note that you should have received a letter from NHSE&I regarding Christmas and New Year opening arrangements. Please ensure you read the letter and take appropriate action. |

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| **Face coverings to be mandatory in shops and supermarkets from 24th July 2020**The Government has announced that as part of a move to enhance protection for those that work in shops, as well as to give people more confidence to shop safely, **face coverings would be made mandatory in shops (including pharmacies) and supermarkets from 24th July 2020.** |

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| [**Click here for PSNC guidance for contractors**](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=5b8e2ef4e4&e=3e5221b889) |

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| BNSSG pharmacies wishing to deliver the PGD service must have one pharmacist from the pharmacy attend the virtual face to face training session.  From there, the lead pharmacist will be expected to cascade the information to the rest of the pharmacy team and other pharmacists working in the pharmacy.If you were unable to attend the virtual  face to face training it has been recorded and by watching the video you will still meet the criteria for attending face to face training |

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| **COVID-19 Social Distancing and Infection Control**Risk Assessment Template for community pharmacies  Please use this document to ensure you are risk assessing your  pharmacy and team.  |

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| [**Click here for the risk assessment template**](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=991aba16cd&e=3e5221b889) |

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| **Training** |

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| Useful website with Information on Asthma and COPD |

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| **NEW ONLINE TRAINING**Do you and your team want to know about shinglesand what causes it? Do you and your team know what practical advice you can give people with shingles? |

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| [**Click here to access the training**](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=578ec82b96&e=3e5221b889) |

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| **Local Pre-registration training 20/21**AHS has run a successful  local pre registration training course for a number of years. The course is run by an experienced tutor and delivers all the requirements of the GPhC.If you are interested in finding out more please email  judith@avonhealthcareservices.co.uk |

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| **FLU face to face training**AHS will be running a couple of face to face flu vaccination training services later this year. The health and safety of all participants and trainers will be paramount and therefore the groups will be smaller than usual.Currently there are 2 dates planned : Wednesday 26th August from 7pm-10pm  or Sunday 6th September from 9.30am-12.30pm.The cost will be £75 for AHS members and £105 for non members. To book a place please contact office@avonhealthcareservices.co.uk |

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| **Community Pharmacy Contractual Framework** |

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| **PSNC early guidance for 20/21 Flu season**PSNC have issued early guidance that contractors are advised to read regarding running a flu vaccination service this year.  |

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| [**Click here for the guidance**](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=c3a71f5f40&e=3e5221b889) |

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| PLEASE NOTE that the changes mentioned in the briefing **HAVE NOT** yet been agreed with NHSE & I and may never be agreed. |

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| **A NEW PHARMACY QUALITY SCHEME Part 1**has just been announced by PSNC. To meet the requirements contractors need to complete all 14 actions on a checklist which relate to the response to Covid-19. Claims can be made from July 14th 2020 to 23.59pm on 29th Jan 2021.**Please note** that **Part 1 will form the gateway**for part 2 which will be issued later in the yearPlease check with your head office before completing it if appropriate.  |

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| [**Click here for the Information & Checklist**](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=a3965e66d4&e=3e5221b889) |

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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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