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| **Weekly Update - Christmas & New Year Edition**Tuesday 22nd December 2020 |

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| **NEW this week** |

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| The LPC team would like to wish you and your families a very Happy Christmas and healthy and peaceful 2021. |

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| [**Christmas message from the Chair & Chief Officer of Avon LPC**](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=4107a71e82&e=3e5221b889) |

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| **COVID-19 Lateral Flow testing for Pharmacy Staff - URGENT ACTION REQUIRED BY 30th DECEMBER**The supply of these tests will allow all patient-facing staff to be able to test, twice-weekly, using self-administered nasal swabbing and report their results through an online platform.  Any positive lateral flow antigen tests will need to be followed up by a confirmatory PCR test. |

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| The letter sent by NHSE&I  on 16th Dec confirms arrangements for the roll-out, including further information on how to order and receive deliveries of lateral flow antigen testing kits for staff |

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| Please order, when invited to do so 1 box per member of staff including any Locums.  Please ensure that you have up to date addresses for all patient facing members of staff. |

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| **Additional Show Material Available**Please use the link below to access more show material to highlight the availability of flu vaccines to people aged 50-64. |

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| **ALL PHARMACIES**Please note that NHSE&I have just sent out an e mail which includes the final rota pack and actions that you are required to complete including unpitying [nhs.uk](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=a8742a104b&e=3e5221b889) and DOS if you have not already done so. If you have not received your e mail please contact england.bgsw-pharmacy@nhs.net. |

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| **Training** |

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| **ALL PROVISIONALLY REGISTERED PHARMACISTS (PRPs)**The Interim Foundation Pharmacist Programme (IFPP) will support PRPS to continue to develop your knowledge and skills to support you to achieve high quality outcomes for patients and improve patient safety. It also provides support to develop your proficiency as a pharmacist .There are still places available on the course.If you have any questions please contact Anne Cole Regional lead for Pharmacist Foundation Training Programme (South) anne.cole@hee.nhs.uk |

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| **ONLINE TRAINING NOW AVAILABLE**To support you and your teams please find the link below to online training on PQS Part 2. Please click here. |

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| **Community Pharmacy Contractual Framework** |

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| **ALL PHARMACIES**Real Time Exemption Checking (RTEC) has gone live. |

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| **ALL PHARMACIES**From mid-December a new community pharmacy flu vaccine service finder will go live on NHS website service finder webpage |

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| Your NHS website pharmacy profile will display whether your pharmacy can offer the flu vaccine. Please ensure you update the website if you can no longer offer the vaccine  ie because you have no stock left , etc. |

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| [**Please click here for NHS Finder**](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=61d5e72c9e&e=3e5221b889) |

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| **ALL PHARMACIES**The Healthy Living Pharmacy (HLP) requirements will become part of the new Terms of Service for all pharmacies from 1st January 2021.While most pharmacies in England have previously met the Healthy Living Pharmacy Level 1 (HLP) requirements, following local initiatives with commissioners or the Pharmacy Quality Scheme, the transition to Terms of Service will require all contractors to carry out some actions. |

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| **Good News Stories** |

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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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