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| **Weekly Update**Tuesday 22nd November |

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| **NEW this week** |

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| Mandatory Workforce Survey - only 8 days left! |

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| **Mandatory HEE Workforce Survey for all Community Pharmacies - NOW OPEN**The 2022 Community Pharmacy Workforce Survey, managed by Health Education England (HEE) has opened today. Completion of the survey is a **mandatory requirement** for all pharmacy contractors.The NHS Business Service Authority (NHSBSA) sent an email to pharmacy contractors on the 6th November containing a link to the survey.In some cases, e.g. Company Chemists’ Association member companies and other larger multiple pharmacy groups, head offices will complete the survey centrally. If you are not sure whether the survey will be completed centrally, please ask your head office for guidance.The survey is open for eight weeks and must be completed by **30th November 2022**. |

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| Mandatory National Audit |

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| **Mandatory national audit announced**PSNC and NHS England have agreed that the 2022/23 national clinical audit will focus on valproate, with the aim of reducing the potential harm caused by taking valproate during pregnancy. **The audit must be completed by all community pharmacy contractors as this is part of their NHS contractual requirements.**Contractors will be required to conduct the audit over a **six-week consecutive period**, however, the workload associated with the audit is expected to be manageable for all contractors as the number of patients covered by the audit is small.[Learn more about the audit](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=8d6eac5613&e=3e5221b889) |

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| CPCF & Terms of Service Checklist |

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| **CPCF and Terms of Service dates checklist updated**Following the announcement that the 2022/23 mandatory national clinical audit will focus on valproate, PSNC's Services Team has updated its briefing that provides a checklist of important dates relating to contractors Terms of Service requirements, the Community Pharmacy Contractual Framework (CPCF) and more.This Briefing is a ‘live’ document and will continue to be updated as and when more announcements and dates are confirmed.[Read the updated briefing](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=8d8b9fbd54&e=3e5221b889) |

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| World Antimicrobial Awareness Week |

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| **World Antimicrobial Awareness Week (WAAW) 2022 18 -24 November 2022** Please find attached a letter in regards to World Antimicrobial Awareness Week (WAAW) 2022. The letter is a thank you for your ongoing commitment to tackle antimicrobial resistance (AMR) and asking you to consider taking specific actions to further tackle this issue, including supporting this year’s WAAW 18 -24 November 2022.Further details can also be found on the website [here](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=39bf15e617&e=3e5221b889). |

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| Trainee Placements |

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| **Placements for UHBW Foundation Year Trainee Pharmacists in Community Pharmacy.**We have been asked whether any community pharmacies are able to assist the UHBW Foundation Year Trainee Pharmacist education programme director (Jenny Gray) with sourcing some support from community pharmacy for some 1–2-week placements for their current FYTs (6 at Bristol Royal Infirmary and 2 at Weston General)There may also be an opportunity for reciprocal placement arrangement to enable community pharmacy trainees to experience hospital pharmacy however this has not been confirmed.If you would like more information or think you can offer a placement for one of the trainees please contact:Jennifer.Gray@uhbw.nhs.uk or mary.carter14@nhs.net |

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| University of Bath Students |

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| **Can you help with a research questionnaire for University of Bath final year pharmacy students?**We are a group of final year pharmacy students from the University of Bath, supervised by Dr Philip Rogers (p.j.rogers@bath.ac.uk) and are currently carrying out our final year research project to explore how different key stakeholders perceive community pharmacists. This involves investigating views on community pharmacists’ professionalism, responsibilities and whether COVID-19 had an impact on it. It is important for us to get responses from community pharmacists themselves, to see what their current perspective on the profession may be.  The questionnaire will remain open until the end of the month (30/11/22).  Link to the questionnaire here: [https://bathreg.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/community\_pharmacist](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=ca84fb7bed&e=3e5221b889)  |

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| Avon LPC Training Event |

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| **November Training Event - Wednesday 30th November 2022.****Maximising Income from your current services – and learn about new services.****This event will be held on Zoom and NOT at Engineers House.*** Do you know how much money for services is left unclaimed in Avon each month?
* Do you use your team effectively to help support services in your pharmacy?
* Oral contraception will be new advances services in 2022.
* Will your pharmacy be ready?
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| **Community Pharmacy Contractual Framework** |

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| Supply Issue |

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| **Supply issues with Novorapid flex pens**We have informed that there is a short term supply problem with the above product. Please, therefore manage your stock appropriately to manage patient demand. |

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| CPCS Referrals |

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| **ALL Pharmacists completing CPCS referrals**Please can all pharmacists completing CPCS consultations on PharmOutcomes wherever possible NOT USE the option of “Other” when describing the presenting complaint for the patient. If the patient presents with a number of symptoms please choose the predominant one and add any additional symptoms when you write up your notes later in the consultation. The use of “Other” is causing GP practices lots of issues and your help with this is appreciated.  |

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| **ALERT FOR ALL PHARMACIES - Naloxone** Macarthys Laboratories (trading as Martindale Pharma, an Ethypharm Group Company), has notified the MHRA that a limited number of Prenoxad kits (packs) in a batch marketed in France have **missing needles.**Please consider speaking to your high risk patients about this alert and ask them to check any naloxone packs they may have.[More information can be found here](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=f8b5177e40&e=3e5221b889) |

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| **Local Services & Information** |

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| BNSSG Only - New UTI PGD |

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| **BNSSG Pharmacies Only - New UTI PGD**Please note that BNSSG UTI PGD has been updated to reflect the addition of optional urine dip testing. Please ensure all pharmacists are made aware of the new PGD and that they read and sign it. The old PGD should be stored safely in your pharmacy. All pharmacists will need to complete a NEW Declaration of Competence (DoC) for the new PGD and there will be a 6 month "Grace Period" if some of their training needs to be redone as it falls outside the validity period indicated in the DoC.The new PGDs can be found [here](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=12a81ef600&e=3e5221b889) and information on urine dip tests [here](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=91888680b1&e=3e5221b889)Finally, we have not told GP practices that there is now an option to dip urine therefore if your pharmacy is going to include this optional service please ensure you liaise with your local practices to let them know the changes. I also have an additional sheet you can share with them when you are ready to go live with. Please e mail me for the sheet at Judith.avonlpc@gmail.comIf you have any questions please contact me or Roger Herbert ( Roger.avonlpc@gmail.com) |

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| **Training - VirtualOutcomes** |

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| Avon is very lucky to have access to VirtualOutcomes online training, please have a look and make use of this valuable resource.  |

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| **Training** |

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| **South West Region #WAAW2022 shared learning webinars 18-24th November - session on 23rd November is especially for Community pharmacists and PQS.**World Antimicrobial Awareness Week (WAAW) is a global campaign that is celebrated annually to improve awareness and understanding of AMR and encourage best practices among the public, One Health stakeholders and policymakers, who all play a critical role in reducing the further emergence and spread of AMR​The South West Region are celebrating #WAAW2022 with a programme of shared learning webinars that align to the UK #WAAW2022 daily themes. Join each webinar via the MS Teams link embedded in the programme – no booking required - and participate in the events which are intended to be informal and fun and have time for questions and discussion​. The programme is attached, and can also be accessed via the [NHS AMR FutureNHS](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=2f357db39f&e=3e5221b889) Workspace in the South West Region folder [here](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=d75cbff368&e=3e5221b889) or via email request to  @SWREGIONHCAI-AMR (NHS ENGLAND & NHS IMPROVEMENT - X24)Webinars are scheduled to last 50mins which includes 10  mins for questions and discussion.  Each webinar has a facilitator, participants will be encouraged to use the chat function, and the webinar will be recorded. Recordings will be published on the [NHS AMR FutureNHS](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=737d66d11c&e=3e5221b889) Workspace in the South West Region folder. |

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