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| **Weekly Update**Tuesday 20th June 2023 |

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| **Data Security and Protection Toolkit**The deadline for community pharmacy contractors to complete the 2022/23 Data Security and Protection Toolkit is 30th June 2023.More information is available [here](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=5814070a8c&e=3e5221b889) |

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| NHS Profile Manager - Deadline 30th June |

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| **Reminder: NHS Profile Manager**It will soon be time for community pharmacy owners to verify their NHS Profile Manager profile information.Ahead of the **30th June 2023** deadline, we would like to remind pharmacy owners of the need to update NHS Profile Manager to ensure that your pharmacy’s [**NHS website**](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=4e1b7fcd0d&e=3e5221b889) and **Directory of Services** (**[DoS](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=a2b513ea76&e=3e5221b889)**) profile information is kept up-to-date.[Read more](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=0b82504791&e=3e5221b889) |

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| **2023/24 Community Pharmacy Assurance Framework (CPAF) screening questionnaire**The questionnaire will be available from approx 1pm on Monday 3rd July to midnight on Sunday 30th July. Please ensure your pharmacy completes the screening questionnaire.More [information](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=60bec72149&e=3e5221b889) |

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| **New Medicine Service (NMS) Voluntary Returns**NHSE are asking pharmacy owners to continue to voluntarily submit NMS quarterly summary data to NHSBSA for Q4 9Jan 23- Mar 23)More [information](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=41d80bd875&e=3e5221b889) |

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| **Pharmacy Owners: Input into Community Pharmacy England July Committee Meeting**Negotiations on how to best utilise the £645m investment will be a key component of the July meeting as will ongoing work to try and secure more investment in community pharmacy and Community Pharmacy England would like to get the views from pharmacy owners.Please answer a [short survey](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=a20b9325b3&e=3e5221b889) |

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| Bristol's Substance Use |

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| **Bristol Pharmacies Only - Bristol’s substance Use Recommissioning** Bristol’s current drug and alcohol services are commissioned until spring 2025. Bristol City Council’s Public Health Division is now beginning the comprehensive recommissioning process towards securing specialist drug and alcohol prevention, early engagement and treatment services for children, young people, and adults from April 2025.Using the findings of our recently completed local needs assessment as our starting point we have developed a Bristol **vision, values and principles framework** (attached) which we would like your views on.[To provide feedback please complete the survey by clicking here.](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=ffa4c7d746&e=3e5221b889)  |

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| Smoking Cessation Service |

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| **NHS Smoking Cessation Service**Updated service specification released. Please note the key changes which include pharmacy technicians being able to deliver in the service specification are highlighted in yellow within the document found via the following link: [Advanced-service-specification-nhs-smoking cessation service.](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=ef19ef6fb7&e=3e5221b889) |

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| **NHSE SW WT&E South West Foundation Training course**The NHS England Workforce, Training & Education South West Pharmacy and Pharmacy Workforce Development South (PWDS) team have, over many years, delivered a regional training course to trainee pharmacists from hospital, mental health and more recently those who undertake split posts with general practice. We are delighted that for the 2023-24 training year, we are again inviting community pharmacy organisations across the South West for community pharmacy-based trainee pharmacists to join the NHSE SW WT&E South West Foundation Training course.  For further information about the offer, please see the attached flyer. To express interest in trainees joining, email pharmacy.sw@hee.nhs.uk**by Friday 30th June 2023**stating the number of trainees at your site(s), your pharmacy location(s), and the designated supervisor details and email address. Places are limited and will be awarded on a first come first served basis.  |

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| **Tresiba U100 FlexTouch 100units/ml solution for injection 3ml pre-filled pens Out of stock from Aug 23 to June 24**Please note that the above product will be out of stock and therefore you may get more prescriptions for durable pen NovoPen 6 plus or Novopen echo plus this summer. Please consider if you wish to keep more stock of these products. |

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| **Avon Healthcare Services (AHS) F2F Vaccination Training**AHS are delighted to announce that they will be running 2 local F2F training events. The course will be run by experienced paramedics and is open to everyone. AHS is keen to encourage pharmacies to consider sending other team members to the training so that the skill mix in the pharmacy is utilised effectively as these team members can work under the Flu Vaccination National Protocol rather than a PGD thus freeing up the pharmacist. |

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| **Avon LPC Annual Conference - Wednesday 12th July 2023**Engineers House, The Promenade, Clifton Down, Clifton, Bristol, BS8 3NB.This event will be face to face and it will also be live streamed.[Click here to book.](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=6c0a0a97b5&e=3e5221b889)**The Avon LPC Annual Awards are back this year and nominations can now be submitted.**[Click here to nominate for an award.](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=0e003bc361&e=3e5221b889) |

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| **Community Pharmacy Contractual Framework** |

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| VAT - SSPs products |

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| **SSP VAT Changes From 1ST JUNE 2023**DHSC has provided clarification from HMRC that VAT is not applicable on products supplied in accordance with serious shortage protocols (SSPs). Therefore from 1st June 2023, the allowance for VAT currently being paid alongside product reimbursement will stop. [Read more](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=9c3e6fec75&e=3e5221b889) |

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| **Community Pharmacy England - Rebranding**As part of the rebranding exercise Community Pharmacy England took feedback from pharmacy owners ie their members, LPCs and others. [Read more about the rebranding](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=2ab6f8f4f3&e=3e5221b889) |

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| **Hypertension Service Specification has been updated**Ensure you read the [new service specification](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=39010d5679&e=3e5221b889).Some of the key changes include Pharmacy Technicians being able to offer the service, removal of ABPM readings to be over 24 hours - they can now be undertaken in line with NICE guidance ie over the persons waking hours, adjustments to the advice related to patients identified with very high BP and adjustments to the advice following identification of stage 2 hypertension after ABPM. PSNC have a [Summary of the changes](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=7cbeaeae2a&e=3e5221b889).For more information and access to some additional resources [click here](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=d7d5b8644e&e=3e5221b889) |

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| Extension to Progynova patches |

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| **Extension to Progynova TS 100mcg/24hr patches**DHSC have extended the SSP for the above product until Friday 8th September 2023. [More information](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=7d89e90ddb&e=3e5221b889) |

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| Save Our Pharmacies! |

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| **Pharmacy bodies launch Save Our Pharmacies campaign website**A Save Our Pharmacies campaign website has been created by leading national pharmacy bodies, to give new focus to calls for fair pharmacy funding in England.This is the latest output of a [**joint programme of work**](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=553ad5030a&e=3e5221b889) being coordinated by PSNC, CCA, AIM and the NPA. It comes the same day the group launched a new [**public petition on the ’38 Degrees’ platform**](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=dd93322fa7&e=3e5221b889), which calls for immediate, fair and sustained funding to safeguard NHS pharmacy services.The newly launched site contains key messages for public, politicians and stakeholders, and hosts campaign resources to be used by pharmacy teams.  It will undergo further development as the campaign progresses, with new resources added to ensure maximum public engagement. |

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| **Serious shortage protocols (SSP’s)**SSPs are a potential way to help pharmacies to manage any serious shortages of medicines that may occur, without needing to refer patients back to prescribers.Please ensure all your team are aware of the current SSP’s in force currently. More information is available [here](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=175cfc8f7f&e=3e5221b889) |

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| **Local Services & Information** |

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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.Please see below for details of the most recent training module  |

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| **Free online training for pharmacists and pharmacy teams**This months free online training is a 15 minute module on menopause. The training covers what perimenopause and menopause are, what the common symptoms are, what advice and information the pharmacy team can give women, information on support groups and finally what non-hormonal and hormonal treatments are available.Access this training [here](https://avonlpc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4c41af9cdb2c8602a37b9d52d&id=f0bb46b727&e=3e5221b889) |

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