

Weekly operational update for local general practice

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Welcome to Insight, Devon Local Medical Committee's short weekly operational update for GPs and practice managers about our work, issues on our radar and key developments in general practice. We value all feedback – email: richard.turner@devonlmc.org

Issues with EMIS

The LMC is aware that some GP practices are experiencing ongoing IT issues with EMIS.

EMIS has confirmed to the General Practitioners Committee (GPC) that its senior team is happy to look into issues if practices provide their contact details to LMCs to feed up the line. If you wish to do this, please email admin@devonlmc.org outlining the issues you are experiencing and the preferred method to be contacted by EMIS.

Vaccines for 2019/20 seasonal flu vaccination programme

Preliminary <u>information</u> has been issued by Public Health England and the Department of Health and Social Care on the recommended vaccines for the 2019/20 seasonal flu vaccination programme.

GP list cleansing

Capita will shortly re-start the process of GP list cleansing to remove 'ghost patients'. During this process you will receive emails from Primary Care Support England (PCSE) which will outline the steps you need to take to submit information about certain cohorts on your patient list. You may also receive FP69 notifications which will ask you to check the status of patients with whom PCSE have not been able to make contact. Practices will be advised what actions need to be taken on their clinical system to correct any differences which may be identified, or to confirm the status of a patient. The responsibility to vet GP lists for patients who are registered but no longer attend the practice was part of Capita's original contract when it took on primary care support services in 2015. However, the exercise was put on hold amid the upheaval faced by practices in the wake of the outsourcing, which saw NHS England cut 40% from its budget to provide such services. If you have any queries, contact pcse.dataquality@nhs.net

LMC England Conference round-up

An overview of the speech from Dr Richard Vautrey, Chair of the GPC, at Friday's LMC England Conference is available here. The webcast is available here.

Request for updated contact details for LMC database – final reminder

As a membership organisation the LMC currently holds contact details for local GPs and practice managers – or equivalent – so they can elect LMC members, receive our communications, details of our events and important information we gather which has a direct impact on them. We want to ensure that our contacts' database is accurate, so that our communications are received by the right people in a timely manner.

We would be grateful if you could provide the work email contact details of all your GPs – including partners, salaried and sessional – along with those for practice managers, or equivalent.

Could we have an update on any changes to staffing since January 2018 please, to include email/phone numbers. Please email the information to liz.Thompson@devonlmc.org by Friday, 7 December.

The information will be used for LMC communications and won't be shared with any third parties, unless written permission has been given. If any GPs or practice managers – or equivalent – no longer wish to receive our communications or be retained on our database, please notify us by noon on Friday, 7 December, and we will remove the details from our records. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us.

50% bursary available for Online Diploma in Advanced Primary Care Management

Looking to develop the skills to manage primary care at scale? There are still places left for the February 2019 intake for the National Assocation of Primary Care's Online Diploma in Advanced Primary Care Management. It is designed for practice and business managers responsible for running primary care at scale. For more information, visit here.