

## Coronavirus - LMC Update 09 April 2020

Welcome to the fourth of our regular series of updates to general practice in the Humber region.

We are regularly updating our website at <https://www.humbersidelmc.org.uk/coronavirus> with new guidance and resources. Use the search box at the top if you're struggling to find what you need.

In this update:

### FAQs

#### [FAQs Covid-19 – 09 April 2020](#)

Latest updated list with responses compiled by the LMC team based on queries submitted by practices. If you have a query it's worth checking the FAQs first. New and updated items this week cover:

- Hospitals (q11 - update on elective care, referrals and waiting lists)
- Death certification (q15 – new rules/guidance)
- Easter opening (q16 – also see below)
- Testing (q17)
- Vulnerable patients (q18)

### Easter Opening

NHSE have released an update today on reimbursement for additional staffing on these days:

#### **Good Friday and Easter Monday reimbursement rates**

Where it is determined that a practice must open on Good Friday or Easter Monday, practices can seek reimbursement for additional staffing costs incurred on these days, in line with the respective rates as set out below. That includes:

- Sessional GPs: up to a maximum of £250 a session or £500 per day;
- Overtime for salaried GPs in line with the individual's contractual arrangements;
- Additional capacity from GP Partners to recognise up to two additional sessions on each of Good Friday and Easter Monday at a rate of £289 per session plus applicable employer National Insurance and pension costs;
- Overtime for non-GP practice staff in line with the individual's contractual arrangements.

Details of the General Practice COVID support fund will soon be shared, and additional expenses will be considered within this.

See [our news item on this](#) for the full information including our update from earlier this week.

The LMC team will be providing support services across the Easter bank holiday. Please [contact us](#) in the normal ways.

#### **Other updates this week:**

- [New standard operating procedures for primary care](#) (05/04/2020)
- Indemnity - [Joint letter from DoHSC, NHS Resolution, and NHSE/I: clinical negligence indemnity in response to Coronavirus](#). (04/04/2020)
- [Vulnerable patients – shielding those at the highest clinical risk](#) – NHS guidance (03/04/2020)
- PPE – [ready reckoner](#); plus [supply update and escalation process](#)
- HUTHT – [information from primary care on elective referrals](#) (03/04/2020)
- BMA's [general practice preparedness guide](#)
- Testing of healthcare workers – [letter from NHSE/I](#) (29/03/2020)

#### **Wellbeing Resources**

We've [updated our page](#) including a number of sources of support and help for GPs and practice managers.

#### **Covid-19 Primary Care Bulletin**

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