



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.

CHIS and DESP

The LMC is well aware of the confusion surrounding the various data sharing agreements (DSAs) which have been issued recently by Health Intelligence and are trying to make sense of a confused landscape.

Last week's letter established that the secure receipt and filtering (SRAF) bulk extraction was no longer being considered and no further correspondence will try and solicit support for it.

Health Intelligence do want practices to sign DSAs for the Child Health Information Service (CHIS) and diabetic eye screening (DESP) to extract using MiQuest / GP2DRS (fallback) and in principle the LMC supports this approach. Our advice to practices is, however, to ensure that your data protection officer (DPO) has gone through the detail of the DSAs to ensure they are safe before signing. Those practices supported by Bex Lovewell should receive an update by 17 April.

Primary Care Networks – new toolkit available

The General Practitioners Committee (GPC) has published the first components of its Primary Care Network (PCN) toolkit – including an [establishing a PCN checklist](#) and a template [initial PCN set-up meeting](#) agenda.

The National Flu Immunisation Programme 2019/20

The Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC), NHS England (NHSE) and Public Health England (PHE) recently published a [letter](#) about the national flu immunisation programme for the 2019/20 season, including information on the adults and children eligible to be vaccinated.

Suture code changes

Practices which carry out minor surgery and wish to continue to claim for the sutures used need to be aware of a new [update](#) from NHSE. The latest suture codes are available [here](#).

Diploma in Advanced Primary Care Management

Looking to develop the expertise to manage PCNs? Places are still available to start the National Association of Primary Care's (NAPC) Diploma in Advanced Primary Care Management in June.

The one-year course – which is mainly online – is designed for people who are managing primary care and becoming responsible for creating and running it at scale. Read more [here](#).

Register your place at the LMC's AGM

Dr Krishna Kasaraneni, from the GPC's Executive Team, is the keynote speaker at the LMC's Annual General Meeting and will provide an overview on developments in general practice. The AGM will take place at Exeter Racecourse on Wednesday, 15 May, from 4-6:30pm. Please confirm your attendance to richard.turner@devonlmc.org by Wednesday, 1 May, as part of the logistical planning for the event.

We value all feedback – email: richard.turner@devonlmc.org