



## Weekly operational update for local general practice

17 April, 2019

Welcome to Insight, Devon Local Medical Committee's short weekly operational update for GPs and practice managers.

### **CQRS coding issue at Microtest GP practices**

Devon Local Medical Committee (LMC) has expressed its concern to Microtest on behalf of local GP practices about its coding for the Calculating Quality Reporting Service (CQRS) which counts towards Quality Outcomes Framework (QOF) payments.

There have been reports that some local practices' year-end figures weren't as expected, due to a technical issue with the coding. Practices are understandably very concerned over the financial and workload impact. The LMC has sought assurances from Microtest that it is addressing the matter and will continue to monitor the issue and provide updates when there are new developments.

If practices have concerns they can email Microtest's helpdesk at: [support@microtest.co.uk](mailto:support@microtest.co.uk)

### **Election of LMC Chair – reminder**

In accordance with our Constitution, in May the Chair of the Board of Devon LMC is due for election.

The post is open to elected members of the LMC. If you would like to stand, the role has a two-year tenure. More information – including a covering letter outlining the process and timelines, a role description and a nomination form – was circulated on Thursday, 11 April when the process opened.

The result will be announced at our Annual General Meeting (AGM) on Wednesday, 15 May.

### **Register your place at the LMC's AGM**

Dr Krishna Kasaraneni, from the General Practitioners Committee's (GPC) Executive Team, is the keynote speaker at the LMC's AGM and will provide an overview on developments in general practice. The event will take place at Exeter Racecourse on Wednesday, 15 May, from 4-6:30pm. Please confirm your attendance to [richard.turner@devonlmc.org](mailto:richard.turner@devonlmc.org) by Wednesday, 1 May.

### **National workload survey**

What's the biggest cause of unnecessary workload in your practice? The GPC is looking to hear your feedback to help lobby for change. Read more [here](#).

### **Locum death in service benefit**

The GPC has gone to the High Court to challenge the Pension Ombudsman to seek clarity on the exact meaning of 'in pensionable employment' as it applies to locum GPs who die in service. The GPC awaits the Court's decision having applied for permission to appeal. Read the statement [here](#).

### **New e-learning toolkit from PHE on prevention**

Public Health England (PHE) has launched a new e-learning toolkit with evidence and information to help all health and care professionals to prevent illness, protect health and promote wellbeing.

The toolkit covers adult obesity, antimicrobial resistance, best start in life, cardiovascular disease, homelessness, physical activity and social prescribing. Read more [here](#).

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