



Weekly operational update for local general practice

Wednesday, 6 November

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

LMC flu media release

The LMC's media release encouraging the public to have the flu vaccination at their local GP practice has started generating coverage – including in the Exeter area via Radio Exe – and we anticipate more across the county in the coming days.

Latest local data protection bulletin now available

The latest local Data Protection Bulletin considers the potential ramifications of recent court cases about personal data and subject access requests (SARs). Read more [here](#).

Presentations available from the LMC's Practice Managers Conference

A reminder that you can now download the presentations from the LMC's recent Practice Managers Conference on [Avoiding the legal pitfalls of Primary Care Networks](#) and [Understanding your 'Prescribing Drugs' payment for 'Personally Administered Items'](#).

Wanted: Local PCN success stories

The General Practitioners Committee (GPC) is looking for local Primary Care Network (PCN) success stories to share as best practice.

Whether it's inventive ways of using the funding, success in recruitment, or working well together to deliver PCN services, the GPC wants to hear from you.

The case studies will be showcased at the GPC's 2020 PCN Conference on Saturday, 8 February, 2020.

Please email dhodgson@bma.org.uk with a short description of your project/work and how it is benefitting your PCNs, teams and/or patients.

No change to CQC Fees Scheme in 2020/2021

The Care Quality Commission (CQC) has written to all providers to update them that its fees scheme will not be changing next year. This means that, for most providers, their fees will remain the same as in 2019/20, providing their registration or size does not change. GP practices, NHS trusts and community social care providers may see a small change to their fees from April 2020 (up or down), because each provider's fee is calculated by looking at their size against the total size of the sector, both of which change year-on-year. However, the total fees collected for each sector will not change. You can find more information on the CQC's fees scheme, guidance and calculator [here](#).

Case studies wanted for GP recruitment campaign

Health Education England (HEE) is having some success in recruiting more doctors to train as GPs – 3,538 were accepted onto GP training places for 2019-20, the highest ever number. Applicant feedback indicates that accounts from GPs and GP trainees can inspire and influence the decisions of doctors as they choose specialty training. HEE needs more case studies for the [GP National Recruitment Office website](#).

If you are willing to describe how you feel about treating your patients, what you're able to achieve or something around the outcome or benefit(s), please email GP Recruitment gprecruitment@hee.nhs.uk.