



**Issue 79/Thursday, 29 April 2021**

This is the latest round-up of information for GP practices, produced by South East London CCG. Should you have any questions or need advice, contact your local borough primary care team in the first instance; they will escalate anything they can't resolve to south east London's Coronavirus co-ordination centre.

Please check for any borough-specific information, which will be attached to this bulletin by your borough primary care commissioning team.

## Covid-19

### **NEW Patient Decision Aid**

#### **AstraZeneca (AZ) Covid-19 vaccine and the risk of blood clotting**

Following the updated MHRA advice on the risk of blood clotting with the AZ Covid-19 vaccine, the Southwark Medicines Optimisation Team has developed a Patient Decision Aid to support clinicians with the review of patients. This document also provides information on managing suspected adverse effects with the vaccine and the latest version (28.4.21) is available [here](#) on the SELCCG GP website.

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### **NEW Non-AZ referral form**

Please see a new [non-AZ pathway referral form](#) which has been approved by the Professional Advisory Group (PAG) and Guy's and St Thomas' Trust. The form is for people who cannot have an AZ vaccine and require a Pfizer or Moderna vaccination instead.

The pathway is solely for patients and staff members who are eligible for Covid-19 vaccination and are within a patient group that has been specifically advised by the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation (JCVI) to be offered an alternative Covid-19 vaccine to the Oxford-AstraZeneca (AZ) vaccine.

It is not a patient choice pathway for those who prefer Pfizer/Moderna, and is strictly for the groups set out in the referral form.

## Covid-19 (continued)

### Staff testing and reporting

Regular antigen testing of all practice staff is critical to protect staff and patients, and slow the spread of Covid-19. Staff testing is vital - even after vaccination. ALL test results regardless of outcome must be reported. Find out more [here](#) in our weekly update.

## GP updates

### Nephrology Services in south east London

Nephrology Services in south east London are changing on 17 May 2021. Have you switched on your data sharing agreement to be ready?

If you haven't please use the guide below to switch on data sharing.

Most GPs in south east London have already so don't let your patients miss out!

Guy's and St Thomas' and King's College Hospital NHS Foundation Trusts, in collaboration with South East London CCG, have streamlined the referral pathway for kidney disease.

All referrals must be made via directly bookable slots on the NHS e-Referral service (e-RS) using the bespoke SEL Nephrology referral form. The referrals must be made to one of the below service names:

SEL Nephrology @ Guy's  
SEL Nephrology @ KCH Denmark Hill  
SEL Nephrology @ KCH PRUH

Following referral, the patient will have a comprehensive review using their EMIS record.

#### **For this review to take place, you must:**

- Use the bespoke SEL Nephrology referral form
- Record that you have obtained consent from the patient for their notes to be shared on EMIS and on the SEL Nephrology referral form (by ticking the box on EMIS and on the SEL Nephrology referral form)
- Turn on data sharing with GSTT and KCH in your practice's instance of EMIS (please see attached how-to guide for guidance on how to do this)

#### **To aid understanding and implementation of this pathway, please find attached four documents:**

- [Introduction to SEL Nephrology](#)
- [Patient information leaflet for SEL Nephrology](#)
- [SEL Nephrology Referral Form](#)
- [Data sharing – how to turn on guide](#)

If you have any questions about any of the above please contact:

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## GP updates (continued)

### Data Security and Protection Toolkit (DSPT) position update

The Data Security and Protection Toolkit (DSPT) submission for GP Practices is due no later than the 30th June 2021. In order for the DPO service to help your practice submit this year's DSPT, it is important for the service to gain a clear understanding of your Practices' current position. To do this, we'd like your practice to complete this [GP DSPT survey](#). The above link takes you to a survey which will take no more than 5 minutes and will allow the DPO to target assistance and training.

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### GP Siro/Caldicott Guardian Training

Annual specific IG training for an organisation's Siro and Caldicott Guardians is a mandatory requirement under the Data Security and Protection Toolkit, and SEL CCG's training is now due. The NEL SEL GP DPO service offers specific Siro and Caldicott Guardian training for nominated personnel within all SEL GP Practices. The training will be conducted via Microsoft Teams **from 1 to 2pm** on the following dates:

**Monday 17 May, Monday 24 May and Monday 7 June**

If your practice would like to book a place, please email [claireclements@nhs.net](mailto:claireclements@nhs.net) with the name and email of the nominated staff member and an invite to the training will be sent by return.

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### GP registration messages on practice websites

Some practice websites display messages that might exclude certain members of society from accessing GP services. In light of this, NHS England is asking GP practices to review their practice website to include a statement that anyone can register without needing proof of ID, address or immigration status, similar to that on the [NHS.uk webpage](#)

#### Practices can also:

- complete this ['Homelessness Training for GP Receptionists' bitesize training](#) – receptionists are the first experience someone has in a GP practice and this training will support them to know what they can do to make a difference.
- offer an initial health assessment for new registrants to identify vulnerability to COVID-19 and code as Clinically Extremely Vulnerable as appropriate.
- join the [Safe Surgeries initiative](#) which reassures people that immigration status will not be checked, and they are in a safe space

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### London pharmacy bank holiday opening hours

Please find a [link](#) to the opening hours for London pharmacies for both May bank holidays.

# Online seminars, webinars and e-Learning

## King's Health Partners events

### Mind & Body training

Hear from the King's Health Partners Mind & Body programme team about why you should secure your place on our new Level 2: Mind and Body Awareness and Communication Skills for adults. [More here](#)

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### Respiratory Medicine Virtual Grand Round

Prof Adrian Martineau, Professor of Respiratory Infection and Immunity, Queen Mary University of London, will be presenting on "Vitamin D and COVID-19". [Join them 1pm, 29 April](#)

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### Data breakthrough for women and children's health

Prof Lucilla Poston CBE and Dr Lauren Carson, King's Health Partners Women and Children's Health, talk about their work with a database of more than 36,000 pregnancy records providing an all-time first in following women and their babies' health through health care systems in south London. They share with us how this database aims to improve patient care pathways and aid the early identification of physical and mental illness. [Read more](#)

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### Eight lessons from fighting London's health inequalities

The majority of the UK's population now resides in cities and at least 40.2% of London residents identify as being of either Asian, Black, Mixed or other ethnic groups. [Read more](#)

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### King's Health Partners Primary Care Webinar Series 2021

The third in this year's King's Health Partners Primary Care Webinar series will focus on Haematology.

The event will focus on how Covid-19 has impacted outcomes for haematology patients; including exploring Covid-19 and clots and how Covid-19 impacts on health inequalities for people with sickle cell in south east London.

You will also hear about the support available to primary care and future plans around the haematology network. [Join them on 19 May and register your place.](#)

## Online seminars, webinars and e-Learning (cont)

### Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust ('GSST')

#### Research@Lunchtime

The seminar series that showcases groundbreaking research taking place across the NIHR, Guy's and St Thomas' BRC and King's College London Faculty of Life Sciences and Medicine.

This week's seminar (12.30 to 1pm 29 April) is called '**Germ line stem cells in health and infertility**' and is delivered by Dr Mahesh Sangrithi.

The seminars are free and appropriate for clinicians, clinical academics and students, and anyone else with an interest in health research. To find out more about this one, and the series, see [here](#)

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#### Dermatology seminar for primary care clinicians

Dr Naomi Kemp Dermatology GPwER and Dr Amr Salam Dermatology at Guy's and St Thomas' invite you to this dermatology webinar with a practical overview of dermatology cases. This talk will focus on infections

**> 1 to 2.30pm, 30 April 2021**

This talk counts for one CPD point and a certificate of attendance will be sent to you. You can book via the following [link](#)

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#### Qwell webinar

We have commissioned a pilot for [Qwell](#) to provide digital mental health and wellbeing support for anyone aged over 26 in south east London. The Qwell service is provided by [Kooth](#), who also run the well-established online mental wellbeing service for young people aged 10-25.

With Qwell there are no referrals, waiting lists or thresholds to meet. Patients can anonymously access accredited counselling, peer support and wellbeing resources online at [Qwell](#)

To find out how Qwell can help your patients, please attend their GP webinar on Thursday 6 May 2021 at 11.30am.

Click [here](#) for more details.

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#### New ways of working with physical and mental health

Lunchtime webinar for GPs and commissioners on 'New Ways of working with physical and mental health in primary care' 12 to 1pm on 13 May. It is a collaboration between the NHS confederation, the Centre for Mental Health and the British Psychological Society. Psychologists and a GP will talk about their work with patients, particularly those hard to help such as frequent attenders and people with eating disorders. It's free, but you'll need to book on [eventbrite](#)

## Information from acute providers

### e-RS updates

[GSTT Acute \(updated 21 April 2021\)](#)

## Cancer updates

### South East London Cancer Alliance

Latest version of the update below, which also includes some FAQs for primary care on cancer services in south east London to support GPs and patients during the pandemic.

[Cancer updates for GPs \(19 April 2021\)](#)

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