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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.

GP Updates

GP-Community Pharmacy Consultation Service (CPCS) Update and Training for practices

Practices are reminded the Patient Access Connect (which is used for GP CPCS and other services) is transforming into a new '**Local Services**' platform. Practices would have received a 'notice of change' email communication from EMIS on 13 April 2022, which provides further details.

NHS England have commissioned a not-for-profit organisation [PCC](#) as the national provider to support practices/PCNs for implementing GP-CPCS. The PCC will be offering a series of webinars this month and next month available to all practices. These webinars will provide a general overview of the service and include basic skills training for staff working on the GP-CPCS scheme. Find a full agenda and book via the links below.

- [Introduction to PCC Support for GP Community Pharmacy Consultation Service](#)
- [CPCS training for practices - Influencing skills \(reception teams and care navigators\)](#)
- [CPCS training for practices - Leading change](#)

If you are unable to attend, recordings will be made available at [PCC CPCS Hub](#). You will require a login to access this so will need to create an account and request to join when first accessing.

tQuest maintenance this weekend

On Saturday 7 May Viapath will be carrying out essential maintenance to the tQuest server. This will take place from **9pm until 12am** (a period of three hours). The tQuest system will be unavailable throughout this time.

It will affect any services which use tQuest across south east London and has been planned to ensure minimal disruption to services. You will not need to take any action in advance.

This work is part of a programme of maintenance that is due to take place every month, and we thank you in advance for your patience while this work is undertaken.

For Action: supply issue

Supply issue with Estradiol (Oestrogel®) pump pack 0.06% gel, Estriol (Ovestin®) 1mg cream, Conjugated oestrogens with medroxyprogesterone (Premique Low Dose®) 300microgram/1.5mg modified-release tablets.

Please find attached Medicine Supply Notifications for:

[A Tier 2 medicine supply notification for Estradiol \(Oestrogel®\) pump pack 0.06% gel](#)

[A Tier 2 medicine supply notification for Estriol \(Ovestin®\) 1mg cream](#)

[A Tier 2 medicine supply notification for Conjugated oestrogens with medroxyprogesterone \(Premique Low Dose®\) 300microgram/1.5mg modified-release tablets](#)

Medicine	Out of stock	Alternatives
Estradiol (Oestrogel®) pump pack 0.06% gel	Intermittent supply issues with a resolution date to be confirmed.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A Serious Shortage Protocol (SSP) was issued on 29/04/2022 around supply limits.• Alternative hormone replacement therapies remain available.
Estriol (Ovestin®) 1mg cream	Intermittent supply issues until July 2022.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A Serious Shortage Protocol (SSP) was issued on 29/04/2022 around supply limits.• Alternative hormone replacement therapies remain available.
Conjugated oestrogens with medroxyprogesterone (Premique Low Dose®) 300microgram/1.5mg modified-release tablets	Intermittent supply issues until late May 2022.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A Serious Shortage Protocol (SSP) was issued on 29/04/2022 around supply limits.• Alternative hormone replacement therapies remain available.

DHSC and NHSE/I have now launched an online Medicines Supply Tool, which provides up to date information about medicine supply issues. The contents of these MSNs can now be viewed on the Tool.

The Tool also details any changes to resupply dates and updates to the entries. To access the Tool you will be required to register with the [SPS website](#).

Please be aware this communication is also being circulated separately to all community pharmacies in England. If you have any queries please contact: DHSCmedicinesupplyteam@dhsc.gov.uk

Apex Edenbridge

SEL CCG have purchased for all practices, PCNs and federations the **Apex Edenbridge** software which will provide you with a suite of dashboards and reports which will enable you to gain a greater depth of understanding of capacity and demand as well as supporting quality improvement and service transformation.

It is designed to give you up to date meaningful, concise information which is continually available to front line clinical staff and managers to support service transformation. Apex is simple to use, clearly presented and enables Primary Care services to ensure the alignment of current and future needs of their own population.

Each practice, PCN and federation will be able to work with their borough lead to plan the implementation of the software and to tailor the support required to make the most of this tool.

For more information please contact your CCG borough lead:

Ashley O'Shaughnessy – Lewisham
Michelle Elston – Lambeth
Nezar Idris – Southwark
Cheryl Rehal – Bromley
Jan Mathews – Greenwich
Hannah Holloway – Bexley

Accelerating Patient Access Programme: implementation date

NHSE have [announced](#) that the go-live date for the accelerating patient access programme has been updated. The expected go-live date is Summer 2022, and NHSE have advised that GPs will be given two months' notice. They have also given assurances that resources will be provided to support practices with preparing for implementation.

NHSE will continue to run webinars to talk through the programme and answer questions. Book via [this link](#).

They will continue to update the [FutureNHS](#) page, and additional information about the programme can be found [here](#).

South East London CCG wins Public Sector Campaign of the Year

SEL CCG's #DontMissYourVaccine campaign has won Gold in the Public Sector Campaign of the Year category at the national PR Moment Awards.

The award is given to recognise and celebrate an 'outstanding' Public Sector campaign. The PR Moment Awards are one of the most coveted and respected awards, and there was tough competition in this category with ten campaigns shortlisted, and one award winner. We are incredibly proud and thankful to everyone who helped with the campaign, especially our partners and local communities. [View our short advert here.](#)

Reminder - CMDU Referral Pathway

Please see below the patient referral pathway:

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/coronavirus/wp-content/uploads/sites/52/2021/12/C1479-covid-19-treatment-pathway.pdf>

And a list of CMDU's: <https://www.england.nhs.uk/coronavirus/wp-content/uploads/sites/52/2021/12/COVID-medicine-delivery-unit-directory-version-2.5.pdf>

Data Security and Protection Toolkit submission deadline

The deadline for submitting your 2021-2022 Data Security and Protection (DSPT) is fast approaching. You can publish at any point before the deadline, and it is recommended that your practice publishes as soon as you have completed the required assertions.

Your practice must submit by the 30 June 2022.

If you have any questions, please contact the GP DPO team at Selccg.gpdpo@nhs.net.

DSPT support webpage launch

To support GP practices with the DSPT, the CCG has launched a new website page aimed to provide a bite size overview of the DSPT assertions, along with templates which GP practices can adapt for the toolkit submission at the end of June 2022. Read the update [here](#).

Cancer updates

FIT For Suspected Lower GI Referrals (including Ordering and Stockpiling advice)

Practices have likely noticed the increase in communications about the use of FIT in primary care, and inclusion of FIT results on suspected lower GI cancer referrals. The proportion of suspected colorectal cancer referrals including a FIT result vary by practice, but currently only 50% of referrals include a numerical FIT value. It is estimated that closer to 80% or more should include FIT. In recognition of this, a 'one-pager' has been produced detailing how and why FIT should be used, how primary care is supported/renumerated for the use of FIT, and the national evidence base for this key NHS priority – this can be found [here](#).

[Advice on Ordering and Stockpiling of FIT](#) has also been produced, to support practices in ensuring a reliable supply of FIT kits.

South East London Cancer Alliance

Please find below a link to the latest version of the update, which also includes FAQs for primary care on cancer services in south east London to support GPs and patients during the pandemic. [Cancer updates for GPs 27 April 2022](#).

Seminars, events, webinars and e-learning

London General Practice Nurse celebration event

In person celebration for all primary care nurses in London.

Friday 24 June – 09.15 to 16.30 at Regents Park. A full agenda is [attached](#), and more information is also available [here](#).

Q&A sessions hosted by the SEL Prescribing Support Dietetic Service

The SEL PSD team will be available for Q&A drop-in sessions **every Thursday 13.00-13.30 until Thursday 30 June.**

Please drop in via the link below and ask us any questions you have regarding:

- The new SEL Malnutrition and Appropriate ONS Prescribing Guidelines
- Adult oral nutritional supplements
- The management of malnutrition

Microsoft Teams meeting - [Click here to join the meeting](#)

Webinar - Hypertension case finding – Core20PLUS5, reducing healthcare inequalities

Tuesday 24 May - 12.30 to 14.00. Via Teams Live.

Find more information and register [here](#).

Comprehensive Assessment of At-Risk Mental States (CAARMS) training for GP's

Starting July 2022, (CAARMS) training to NHS England staff working in early detection or intervention psychosis services or similar services, delivered by Maudsley Learning. More information and details on how to enrol are [here](#).

Upcoming Kooth webinars

[Kooth](#) are delivering a number of webinars for GPs over the coming months. The webinars will include: an overview of all the features and support available from Kooth, how to can signpost young people to the service, and an opportunity to ask questions. Sign up for the webinars [here](#).

Reminder - GP online education event – Deep Venous

The South East London Vascular Network Team are holding a GP/ Primary Care education event which will provide a practical overview of deep venous disease, how it can be managed in Primary Care and referral options for Deep Venous.

Wednesday 25 May, 13:30 to 14:30. You can register for the event via [this link](#).

Maudsley Learning - courses for GPs

[Wellbeing in action bitesize modules \(maudsleylearning.com\)](https://www.maudsleylearning.com) - Five sessions which focus on the concept of wellbeing.

Starting Wednesday 8 June - 13.00 to 14.30.

[Primary care update bitesize modules \(maudsleylearning.com\)](https://www.maudsleylearning.com) - Five sessions covering anxiety/OCD/PTSD, schizophrenia, Bipolar Affective Disorder, Personality Disorder, Alcohol and substance misuse and ADHD.

Starting Monday 6 June - 13.00 to 14.30.

NHSE/I training: Year of Care approach to personalised care and support planning and shared decision making

The training will be delivered in **two parts in June and July**, and each will be a half-day session. More information, dates and registration links are [here](#).

Recruitment

GP Vacancy – The Gardens Surgery in East Dulwich

Vacancy for a 2-6 session Salaried GP to join the practice from the end of May. The surgery serves a patient population of approximately 7000 patients. Competitive salary and flexible session times. See the full advert [here](#).

For more information contact katy.cameron@nhs.net

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