Daily Update
Monday 10th May 2021

This daily update contains important information for community pharmacy teams, including details of the ongoing response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

In today's update: End of Smartcard access to MYS portal; updated PNA questionnaire template; April CPN published; staff wellbeing and testing.

One week to go before the end of Smartcard access to the MYS portal
From 11.59pm on Sunday 16 May 2021 contractors will be unable to access the Manage Your Service (MYS) portal using their NHS Smartcards. Smartcard users have until this date to register for access to MYS using their NHSmail login credentials.

According to the NHS Business Services Authority (NHSBSA), 46 contractors who previously used the portal to make a claim were yet to register for MYS access using their NHSmail login credentials. To do so, contractors must download and complete the form on the NHSBSA website and send it to nhsbsa.mys@nhs.net.

Find out more about the change in access to the MYS portal

Updated PNA questionnaire template
Contractors are reminded that PSNC has updated its template questionnaire to help support the local development of Pharmaceutical Needs Assessments (PNAs).

After being delayed due to the pandemic response, PNAs, which help plan the provision of pharmaceutical services in an area, are now up for renewal. Health and Wellbeing Boards (HWBs) will need to consider the current service provision and consult local stakeholders as part of the process.

PSNC’s PNA template questionnaire is a tool for LPCs to support this process by gathering information on the services offered by their contractors. The use of this template is not mandatory but may prove to be a helpful resource to inform any PNA development discussions with HWBs.
Access the template PNA pharmacy questionnaire

April Community Pharmacy News (CPN)

The April 2021 edition of our CPN magazine is now available. Coinciding with the start of the negotiations on the CPCF requirements for 2021/22, this issue provides an overview of the negotiation process.

Other essential articles detail the successful launch of the COVID-19 test distribution service and PSNC’s guidance to help community pharmacy contractors complete the Data Security and Protection Toolkit for 2020/21.

Read April's CPN

Staff wellbeing and C-19 testing

Maintaining the health and wellbeing of pharmacy team members remains a priority for the NHS during the COVID-19 pandemic.

To learn about the range of NHS support tools available to contractors to assist with staff health and wellbeing and how pharmacy team members can access testing for COVID-19, visit PSNC’s Staff wellbeing and COVID-19 testing webpage.