

COVID-19 Update

Tuesday 23rd June 2020

This daily update contains important information for community pharmacy teams about the ongoing response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

In today's update: digital guide on the pharmacy advice audit; COVID-19 payments due on 1st July.

PSNC Pharmacy Advice Audit: Digital guide released

PSNC has today published a digital guide to the upcoming pharmacy advice clinical audit for community pharmacy teams.

The 30-minute video features Richard Brown, working at PSNC but also an LPC Chief Officer, describing what the audit aims to capture and how pharmacy teams can participate. He also outlines the quick and easy process of entering data on PharmOutcomes once the audit has been completed and answers some common queries.

The guide aims to offer busy contractors an alternative way to learn about the pharmacy advice audit and complements the other information and guidance available on our **PSNC Pharmacy Advice Audit webpage**. It may also be useful for LPCs to view in their role supporting pharmacies to complete the audit.

Watch the digital guide

COVID-19 payments for July 2020

A number of COVID-19 related payments for community pharmacy contractors have been announced in recent months and PSNC has produced a summary of how to claim for these payments (if required) and how each payment will be made for the month of July.

Payment adjustments include those for the Early May Bank Holiday, the Pandemic Delivery Service and the installation of protective barriers.

View our payment guide for the month of July

Have you seen our latest COVID-19 related FAQs?

PSNC's COVID-19 hub has an **FAQs page** with a large number of answers to queries posed by pharmacy contractors, their teams and LPCs; these are being updated on an almost daily basis.

Recent additions include:

Where can I find the payments for the Pandemic Delivery Service on my Schedule of Payments for the dispensing month of April 2020?

The first payment to pharmacy contractors for the delivery service is due on Wednesday 1st July. The payments for the delivery service will appear on your FP34 Schedule of Payments and itemised as follows:

Essential Service element

The Essential Service payment for the delivery service will be paid on the same line of your Schedule of Payments as the 'Transitional Payment'. It will show as a total figure.

Advanced Service element

The Advanced Service payment will be listed as 'Additional advance payment' under the section titled 'Summary of Payment Amounts'

Click here for information on other Covid-19 related payments expected in July.

When will I receive payment for Early May Bank Holiday opening hours claimed using MYS?

Eligible contractors should expect a separate payment from the NHS Business Services Authority (NHSBSA) on the 1st July 2020 in addition to the payment indicated on their latest Schedule of Payment (for dispensing month of April). The payment for Early May Bank Holiday opening hours will not be separately itemised on your FP34 Schedule of Payments. However, the NHSBSA will issue letters to contractors who claimed to inform them of the payment made to them.

Find answers to more of your questions here

Keep up-to-date with our hub page: psnc.org.uk/coronavirus

