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| PSNC Newsletter |
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|  | This newsletter from PSNC is sent every Tuesday and Friday. It contains important information for those that work in the community pharmacy sector.In this update: JCVI C-19 booster vac advice; funding for off-site vacs; call for pharmacy ICS representation; APPG inquiry into future of sector; CPPE e-learning.JCVI issues updated advice on COVID-19 booster vaccinationThe Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation (JCVI) has updated its advice on the COVID-19 vaccine booster programme. In order to maintain the current high level of protection through the coming winter, the JCVI is advising that booster vaccines are offered to those more at risk from serious disease, and who were vaccinated during Phase 1 of the vaccine programme (i.e. priority groups 1 to 9). This includes those living in residential care homes for older adults, all adults aged 50 years or over, and frontline health and social care workers.[**Read more**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=52aba172f1&e=d19e9fd41c)Additional funding for off-site vaccine provisionNHS England and NHS Improvement (NHSE&I) have confirmed that funding is available to support reasonable additional costs contractors might incur if they organise vaccination sessions off the pharmacy premises. [**Read about the payment conditions**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=d7ae792850&e=d19e9fd41c)PSNC calls for pharmacy representation in ICSPSNC has called for pharmacy representation in Integrated Care Systems (ICS) in a joint communication to the Health and Care Bill Committee.The Bill in its current form does not specify representation for any primary care professions other than GPs. Primary care contractor representatives have therefore raised concerns about these proposals.[**Learn more about the Health and Care Bill**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=fbdc66e108&e=d19e9fd41c) APPG launces inquiry into the future of pharmacyThe All-Party Parliamentary Pharmacy Group (APPG) has launched an inquiry into the future of pharmacy in the wake of COVID-19, which PSNC is supporting.The Group is seeking views from the pharmacy sector, and wider healthcare stakeholders, to inform the development of a manifesto which aims to unlock the potential of pharmacy and further improve patient outcomes.[Find out more about the APPG enquiry](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=9f65c97cc0&e=d19e9fd41c) CPPE culturally competent learning campaignThe Centre for Pharmacy Postgraduate Education (CPPE) is running a new learning campaign, [**Seeing you better: Culturally competent person-centred care**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=d8e82ccfb1&e=d19e9fd41c). This campaign may help support pharmacy professionals work towards the 2021/22 Pharmacy Quality Scheme (PQS). [**Learn more about the CPPE campaign**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=4b15d06d8d&e=d19e9fd41c) |  |
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