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|  | This newsletter from PSNC is sent every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. It contains important information for those that work in the community pharmacy sector.In this update: Outgoing PSNC CEO gives Pharmacy Show speech; new paper FP34Cs and changes to sorting requirements; RPS inclusion and diversity events.Outgoing PSNC CEO gives speech at Pharmacy ShowAt the Pharmacy Show on Sunday morning (17th October), the outgoing CEO of PSNC, Simon Dukes, highlighted the resilience of community pharmacy teams during the COVID-19 pandemic as well as their importance to the health service and the general public.Mr Dukes, who stepped down from his role as PSNC Chief Executive this month, said: “This time last year you faced a backlog of patients for the NHS; patients and healthcare professionals were still unvaccinated and afraid; and of course, the second wave loomed. But you worked through it, doing everything that was needed, and for that the NHS and Government owe you a great debt.”Simon also warned of the challenges ahead for the sector and reflected on the work of the Pharmacy Representation Review Steering Group (RSG).[**Find out more**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=a7abb65553&e=d19e9fd41c) New paper FP34C forms and changes to sorting requirementsFrom October 2021, the NHS Business Services Authority (NHSBSA) will be posting out a **new version of the paper FP34C form**. This form will continue to be issued until March 2022 (for prescriptions dispensed in February 2022), after which FP34C submissions through the [**Manage Your Service (MYS) portal**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=aea69d12b4&e=d19e9fd41c) will become compulsory.Contractors should note that the sorting requirements on the revised paper FP34C form have been updated.[**Learn more**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=dc8989868f&e=d19e9fd41c) Upcoming RPS inclusion and diversity eventsThe Royal Pharmaceutical Society (RPS) is working to encourage inclusion and diversity within the sector, including through a series of virtual inclusion and diversity events. The following events will be held over the course of October and November 2021: **Celebrating Black History Month: Proud To Be (Wednesday 20th October 2021, 7pm-8.00pm)****Putting your RPS Inclusion and Wellbeing Pledge into Action (Tuesday 16th November 2021, 7pm-8.30pm)****Driving equality for women in pharmacy (Friday 19th November 2021, 10am-1.30pm)**[**Learn more and register for these events**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=9c9c53ac67&e=d19e9fd41c) |  |
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