



Daily Update

Monday 10th August 2020

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

In today's update: PSNC webinar tonight; SSP for Fluoxetine 40mg capsules extended.

Join tonight's webinar with PSNC CEO

PSNC Chief Executive Simon Dukes will be hosting a webinar on the future of pharmacy contractor representation **TONIGHT at 7pm** and it's not too late to [book your place](#).

This online event will share reactions to the findings of an independent review looking at the roles of PSNC and LPCs, and discuss what will happen next. Join Simon to hear what has been proposed, learn how PSNC and LPCs are working together, and find out how contractors can have their say on the future.

Already registered? [Click here to join at 7pm](#)

Fluoxetine 40mg capsules SSP extended to 4th September

The Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) has provided an update on the Serious Shortage Protocols (SSPs) for Fluoxetine 40mg capsules (SSP06).

The SSP for Fluoxetine 40mg capsules has been further extended until **4th September 2020**. This expiry date may be brought forward or extended, and the content may be amended throughout this period. Pharmacists should ensure they are using the current version of an SSP before supplying an alternative product.

[Click here for full details and SSP guidance](#)

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 a regular basis. Recent additions include:

Q. Local GP practices are overwhelmed, how will patients continue to access the medicines they need?

Where people need urgent access to their usual prescribed medicines and they cannot get a prescription from their general practice in time to meet their needs, the NHS 111 Online service can be used to make a referral to the [Community Pharmacist Consultation Service](#).

This service was successfully piloted in the north west of England and plans to roll out the functionality across the whole of England were brought forward in response to the huge surge in demand for NHS 111 services as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The service has been live across the whole of England since 24th March 2020.

[Find answers to more of your questions here](#)

Keep up-to-date on COVID-19 with our hub page: psnc.org.uk/coronavirus

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