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| PSNC Newsletter |
| Monday 15th November 2021 |

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|  | This newsletter from PSNC is sent on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. It contains important information for those that work in the community pharmacy sector.In this update: Final mandatory health campaigns agreed; PQS NMS gateway criterion data published; PSNC's work during 2020/21; NHS health writing guide.Remaining 2021/22 mandatory health campaigns agreedPSNC and NHS England and NHS Improvement (NHSE&I) have agreed the remaining mandatory health campaigns for 2021/22, which community pharmacy contractors **must** participate in as part of their NHS contractual requirements.Alongside the [**previously announced winter vaccines campaign**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=9c223bc487&e=d19e9fd41c) (due to start **next Monday**), there will be a weight management campaign in January and a smoking cessation campaign beginning in late February.[**Find out more**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=d1a4730b97&e=d19e9fd41c)  PQS: NMS gateway criterion data published by NHSBSAThe NHS Business Services Authority (NHSBSA) has published a spreadsheet showing which community pharmacy contractors are currently meeting the Advanced Services gateway criterion of the 2021/22 Pharmacy Quality Scheme (PQS).NHSBSA used FP34C month end claims between the period of 1st April and 5th September 2021 to calculate which contractors have already met this criterion. This spreadsheet will be updated on a monthly basis as the PQS declaration period approaches. [**Check your pharmacy is meeting the Advanced Services gateway criterion**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=47ea0eb4f8&e=d19e9fd41c)2020/21: The year at PSNC A remarkable year for community pharmacies and everyone in healthcare, 2020/21 saw pharmacies making significant operational changes to operate in a COVID-safe way, a number of pandemic services launched at short notice, a significant expansion of the Flu Vaccination Service and growing public reliance on the sector.  To support the sector PSNC took measures to address pharmacy teams' increasing workload and help them to manage the impact of the pandemic and called on the Government to cover contractors' COVID costs. Learn more about PSNC's work on behalf of community pharmacy contractors in our annual report. [**See PSNC's annual report online**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=d03f231eea&e=d19e9fd41c)  [**Watch the annual report through video**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=d64f557458&e=d19e9fd41c) A guide to website health writingThe NHS has produced an A-Z style guide that contains words and phrases that the NHS commonly use to make health content readable for the general public. Community pharmacy teams may wish to refer to this guide when producing their own health content for patients and the general public.  [**View the NHS A-Z style guide**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=274204f3da&e=d19e9fd41c)  |  |
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