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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: January Policy Team Blog; pharmacy role in Ask for ANI scheme deemed a success; weight management campaign materials; Virtual Visits research; new MHRA Drug Safety Update.January 2022 Policy Team blog publishedIn the latest Policy Team blog, PSNC's Director of Communications and Public Affairs, Zoe Long, reflects on the success stories and the difficulties of 2021, as well as the significant challenges facing contractors in 2022.The blog also asks contractors to spare a few moments to complete [**PSNC's short pharmacy pressures survey**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=1899e9f342&e=d19e9fd41c). The data from this survey will help PSNC to continue making the case for pharmacy, demonstrating the demands and issues that pharmacies and their teams are currently facing.[**Read the January 2022 Policy Team blog**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=f888e7598a&e=d19e9fd41c) Pharmacies implementing the Ask for ANI scheme termed a successA year ago, community pharmacies were encouraged to get involved with the Ask for ANI (Assistance Needed Immediately) scheme. This scheme provides a safe way for domestic abuse victims to access support from the police or relevant support services. The Home Office recently confirmed the success of this scheme which has supported at least 100 victims in its first year, and urged more pharmacies to get involved.[**Find out how your pharmacy can get involved**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=5cfbf48612&e=d19e9fd41c)Have you received your weight management health campaign materials?Pharmacies should have received materials for the weight management health campaign last week. Contractors that have not received these materials should email partnerships@phe.gov.uk as soon as possible. [**Learn more about the weight management campaign**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=d431c03c02&e=d19e9fd41c)Virtual Visits researchWe would like to remind contractors of the invitation to participate in research trialling the new NHSmail Virtual Visits appointment booking and remote consultation platform.[**Learn more about this research**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=78164d3ee7&e=d19e9fd41c) MHRA Drug Safety Update January 2022A new Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) Drug Safety Update has been published. This update includes information on COVID-19 vaccines and medicines, medicine recalls sent to healthcare professionals in December 2021, and more.[**Read the latest MHRA Drug Safety Update**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=1367db1407&e=d19e9fd41c) |  |
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