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| **PSNC has now changed its name to Community Pharmacy England, with a strengthened commitment to championing pharmacies and engaging with the sector.** This newsletter is sent on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. It contains important information for those that work in the community pharmacy sector. |

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| In this update: NHS and Government publish Workforce Plan; Community Pharmacy England to brief MPs on medicines supply; last chance to feed into our Committee meeting; Price concessions final update. |

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| NHS and Government publish Workforce PlanA plan to increase and develop the NHS workforce, including community pharmacists and their teams, has been published by the Government and NHS today.The long awaited [NHS Long Term Workforce Plan](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=9959813dba&e=d19e9fd41c) maps out a strategy to recruit and retain hundreds of thousands more staff spanning 15 years. The plan has specific measures to support and develop the pharmacy workforce, and has given specific consideration to community pharmacy in recognition of what it describes as the sector’s ‘unique circumstances’.Commenting on the publication of the plan, **Alastair Buxton, Director of NHS Services at Community Pharmacy England**, said:“The success or failure of this workforce plan will depend on its implementation. NHS England must not repeat previous mistakes – the failure to plan properly for the impact of the ARRS scheme on community pharmacies has been disastrous for many pharmacy owners – and we need assurance that pharmacy will not fall through the gaps as systems take on responsibility for workforce planning, including the need for them to work with Local Pharmaceutical Committees in England." |

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| Community Pharmacy England to brief MPs on medicines supply issuesIn July, Community Pharmacy England will be organising a Parliamentary drop-in event to provide MPs and Peers with essential information on the persistent challenges within the medicines supply chain. These issues have been significantly impacting pharmacies and their patients.The aim of the event is to help ensure that MPs understand the problems and their impact on pharmacies. Peter Dowd MP is hosting the event, joined by representatives from Community Pharmacy England, the Nuffield Trust, patient groups and more.[Learn more](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=5d9a86312b&e=d19e9fd41c)  |

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| Last chance: Share your insights ahead of our Committee meeting in JulyWe are seeking input from all pharmacy owners – this is your last chance to feed directly into the Committee ahead of their meeting in July. The poll results will be used to feed into our ongoing work to press for an uplift to core funding by enhancing our evidence base of what pharmacy owners are experiencing. This and future surveys will also increase the amount of data we have for use in our campaigning and influencing work. This is part of our ongoing efforts to gather data and improve our advocacy work on behalf of the pharmacy sector. We aim to better represent your interests and align with the views of the sector.[Complete the short survey](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=978fb7d09b&e=d19e9fd41c) (closes 11.59pm on Sunday 2nd July)  |

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