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| PSNC Newsletter |
| Friday 1st October 2021 |

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|  | This newsletter from PSNC is sent every Tuesday and Friday. It contains important information for those that work in the community pharmacy sector.In this update: Supply resilience meeting; booking for staff boosters live; CEO blog; contacting PSNC's leadership team; submitting anticoagulant audit data; emergency regs extended; CPCS IT webinar; October Drug Tariff Watch.PSNC hosts cross-sector meeting on supply chain resiliencePSNC today brought together stakeholders from across the supply chain, including the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) and NHS England and NHS Improvement (NHSE&I), to share intelligence and consider the impact of the ongoing problems with fuel supply.Attendees broadly agreed that the situation has started to improve. But it was acknowledged that some geographical areas continue to be affected by delays to deliveries of medicines. And the impact on workload and stress levels for everyone across the supply chain, including in pharmacies, remains considerable. [Find out more](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=668c400b34&e=d19e9fd41c) Booking for staff COVID-19 boosters now liveNHS England and NHS Improvement (NHSE&I) have confirmed that frontline health and social care workers, which includes eligible Pharmacy staff, can now book their COVID-19 booster vaccinations through the [National Booking Service](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=898a2ffa13&e=d19e9fd41c) (NBS).[Find out how you can book your booster](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=6563be0b48&e=d19e9fd41c) PSNC CEO issues final blog PSNC's CEO, Simon Dukes, has issued his final blog to the sector. In this blog, Simon reflects on his three and a half years at PSNC, the complexity of negotiations with the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC), and the work of the Pharmacy Representation Review Steering Group (RSG) to improve contractor representation and support.[Read the CEO blog](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=4409d48086&e=d19e9fd41c) Contacting PSNC’s leadership team from OctoberAs planned, Simon Dukes has now stepped down from his role as Chief Executive of PSNC.  PSNC’s Appointments Panel is in the process of recruiting a replacement and hopes to be in a position to update the sector later in the autumn as planned.  During the interim period, PSNC’s work supporting the sector and negotiating on its behalf will continue unchanged. The Directors at PSNC will lead the executive functions, and this will continue to be overseen by the PSNC Committee, including the Negotiating Team.[Learn more](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=9aa72aba4f&e=d19e9fd41c)Anticoagulant audit data can now be added to MYSCommunity pharmacy contractors who have started their anticoagulant audit, as part of the requirements for the Medicines safety and optimisation domain of the 2021/22 Pharmacy Quality Scheme (PQS), are now able to enter their data on the NHS Business Services Authority’s (NHSBSA) [Manage Your Service (MYS) portal](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=fc21bf30b5&e=d19e9fd41c). Participating contractors are required to share their anonymised audit data with NHS England and NHS Improvement (NHSE&I) by submitting this to the NHSBSA before they make their PQS declaration.[Find out more about the anticoagulant audit](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=b57b4b72d6&e=d19e9fd41c)Secretary of State declaration of emergency extensionThe [declaration of an emergency](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=a47511c54d&e=d19e9fd41c) requiring the flexible provision of pharmaceutical services which was introduced to help maintain pharmacy services during the COVID-19 outbreak, has been extended to **31st January 2022**. Read more about the [emergency regulations](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=3d10b53a7b&e=d19e9fd41c) CPCS IT webinarNHSE&I, with the support of PSNC, is planning to hold a webinar on the **14th of October, from 7.00-8.30pm**, to help contractors prepare for the transfer of the cost of Community Pharmacist Consultation Service (CPCS) IT solutions to them after the end of March 2022. NHSE&I has also published a switching guide that sets out the actions required to enable the move to the CPCS ‘provider pays’ model.[Register for this webinar and read the switching guide](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=1da8b4a662&e=d19e9fd41c)Drug Tariff Watch - October 2021PSNC’s Dispensing and Supply Team has created a summary of the Drug Tariff changes for October 2021. This includes details of additions, deletions and category and price changes.[See the October 2021 Drug Tariff Watch](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=081859ab3b&e=d19e9fd41c) |  |
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