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| PSNC Newsletter |
| Tuesday 5th 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: PSNC newsletter to be sent more frequently; PQS updates; booking for staff C-19 boosters live; RPS survey; CP ITG round-up; advance payments webinar.PSNC Newsletter to be sent three times a week As part of our ongoing work, we will be sending PSNC Email Newsletters every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from the **week commencing 11th October 2021**.Following some positive feedback on the newsletters and in light of the frequency with which we now have news and updates, including on the arrangements for Year Three of the Community Pharmacy Contractual Framework (CPCF), the new services coming online, and the start of the busy winter season, we feel it is now sensible to increase the frequency of these emails to three times per week. Should a significant piece of news be announced on another day, we will continue to send special email news alerts out to ensure that you do not miss it. We hope this change will help you stay up to date with essential information whilst still avoiding cluttering up your inbox unnecessarily.[**Browse PSNC's Newsletter Archive**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=2d22f9e023&e=d19e9fd41c) PQS updates**PharmOutcomes support - asthma referrals**Community pharmacy contractors can now access an asthma referral service on [**PharmOutcomes**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=cfe08f98a2&e=d19e9fd41c) for the 2021/22 Pharmacy Quality Scheme (PQS). This is available free of charge to all contractors. **Banding for 2021/22 PQS**The NHS Business Services Authority (NHSBSA) has [**published a spreadsheet**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=a5e6dd769a&e=d19e9fd41c) detailing the banding that pharmacies have been put into for the 2021/22 PQS.**Pharmacy PCN Lead spreadsheet**NHSBSA has published an [**updated version of their Pharmacy Primary Care Network (PCN) Lead spreadsheet**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=e59d863aef&e=d19e9fd41c) based on information provided by LPCs; the spreadsheet lists information on all the Pharmacy PCN Leads across the country. This spreadsheet will continue to be updated to assist contractors meeting the PCN domain to make their PQS declaration.**PQS Aspiration payment window**Contractors can now make a claim for an Aspiration payment for the 2021/22 PQS on the NHSBSA's [**Manage Your Service (MYS) portal**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=ad4a2afe2b&e=d19e9fd41c). This payment is optional; if contractors do not want to claim it, it will not impact their ability to claim a PQS payment during the declaration period.Booking for staff COVID-19 boosters now liveEligible 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=b0c7ec3410&e=d19e9fd41c) (NBS). Staff will need to present official proof of eligibility, including for appointments through local booking services and walk-in clinics, as well as through the NBS. RPS Workforce and Wellbeing Survey 2021The Royal Pharmaceutical Society (RPS) has launched its third annual Workforce Wellbeing survey. This survey is open to all pharmacists and its findings will feed into the development and expansion of the RPS' workforce wellbeing programme. The survey should only take around 15 minutes to complete and all responses will be kept anonymous.[**Complete this survey**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=113166988b&e=d19e9fd41c) Update on pharmacy IT workstreams publishedThe Community Pharmacy IT Group (CP ITG) has published its Autumn 2021 quarterly Pharmacy IT round-up, following the group’s September meeting.The Autumn round-up includes updates on Shared Care Records (ShCR), paperless processing, Real-Time Exemption Checking (RTEC), and more. The round-up also lists opportunities for pharmacy teams to get involved with the ongoing work to improve pharmacy IT.[**Download a PDF copy of the CP ITG Autumn roundup**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=76e0ab593a&e=d19e9fd41c) Advance payments webinarPSNC and NHSBSA will be holding a joint webinar on the upcoming changes to advance payments and FP34C submission requirements **at 7.30pm tonight (Tuesday 5th October 2021)**.[**Register for this webinar**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=e05e28a187&e=d19e9fd41c). |  |
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