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| PSNC Newsletter |
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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: Preparations for the end of Pharmacy Collect; RSG confirms date of contractor vote; submitting FP34Cs; update on CP ITG workstreams; expiry of SSP016.Pharmacy Collect: End of service preparationsThe last day on which the Community Pharmacy Lateral Flow Device Distribution Service, known publicly as Pharmacy Collect, will operate will be **31st March 2022**. After this date, free COVID-19 mass testing will end meaning contractors will no longer be able to legally distribute free NHS test kits. PSNC, the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) and NHS England and NHS Improvement (NHSE&I) have been working together on the final plans for the end of the service and the UKHSA has now provided a checklist for contractors to use as a guide to support the closure of the service.[**Learn more and download the UKHSA checklist**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=46ad2b9e07&e=d19e9fd41c)RSG confirms contractor vote set to be held in May 2022A timetable for the conclusion of the Review Steering Group’s (RSG) work to find ways to improve contractor representation and support was announced yesterday.In an update to contractors, the RSG said it had reached consensus on a proposed way forward, and that it would publish proposals to the sector shortly after Easter, with a contractor vote expected to follow beginning late in May. PSNC Members are currently considering the RSG’s proposals as they are finalised.   [**Find out more**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=f1011ccb26&e=d19e9fd41c)MYS is now the only route for end-of-month submissionsThe NHS Business Services Authority's (NHSBSA's) Manage Your Service (MYS) portal is now the only route available to contractors to submit FP34C submissions. From this month, contractors will no longer receive the paper FP34C submission document through the post, however, red separators will continue to be sent out. The 1,500 community pharmacy contractors who used the paper FP34C submission document last month are urged to submit their future FP34C declarations through MYS. Contractors who have not yet registered for MYS should download and complete the form on the [**NHSBSA website**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=18c6a75438&e=d19e9fd41c) and send it to **nhsbsa.mys@nhs.net** as soon as possible.[**Learn more**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=8c4660074a&e=d19e9fd41c) Update on pharmacy IT workstreams publishedThe Community Pharmacy IT Group (CP ITG) has published its Pharmacy IT roundup for spring 2022 following the group's quarterly meeting earlier this month. The roundup includes updates on NHS Digital's Health Leadership Programme, NHS Profile Manager, Virtual Visits and more.[**Read the spring 2022 CP ITG Pharmacy IT roundup**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=8137a55ae9&e=d19e9fd41c) Expiry of SSP016The Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) has confirmed that the Serious Shortage Protocol (SSP) for Lipitor 10mg chewable tablets, SSP016, will expire at **23.59pm today (Friday 18th March)**. After this date, prescriptions for this product must be dispensed in accordance with the prescription, and SSP016 will not be valid for use.[**Read our top tips for SSP claims**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=525875ca1f&e=d19e9fd41c) |  |
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