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|  | This update from the Review Steering Group (RSG) contains information on its work to improve community pharmacy contractor support and representation.One week to vote opens and second pre-vote notice sent; video message from PSNC CEO; RSG member blog; NPA backs proposals; recording of national briefing event now available; new clarification questions published.One week until contractor vote opens and second pre-vote notice now sentThe voting period on the proposals for the future of PSNC and the LPCs opens on **Friday 27th May 2022** and will last for three weeks. This means community pharmacy contractors now have just **one week left** to read the proposals before they will be invited to vote to either accept or reject them in their entirety. A second pre-vote notice including further information about the vote has now been sent to all contractors, the vast majority to the shared NHSmail email inbox of each pharmacy premises, or to a nominated head office contact. Where possible, the voting notice has also been dispatched by post. A copy of this pre-vote notice is available [**here**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=00ab20d09c&e=d19e9fd41c).**How do I vote?**Contractors will receive full voting instructions including another electronic voting notice containing the unique voting link for their pharmacy from **takepart@cesvotes.com** on **27th May 2022**. This notice will be sent to the shared NHSmail email inbox of each pharmacy premises except to those contractors with multiple pharmacy premises that have requested bulk voting functionality. Bulk voters will receive one link, weighted for all their pharmacies to the nominated head office/owner email address.[**Read the proposals**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=0398a32f63&e=d19e9fd41c) Video message from PSNC’s CEOPSNC's Chief Executive, Janet Morrison, has recorded a video message for community pharmacy contractors about her personal reflections on the RSG proposals for the future of PSNC and LPCs.  Janet recognises the proposals as sensible and practical steps that any modern and forward-thinking sector should be taking. Janet explains that additional resources for PSNC will help strengthen its negotiating strategy and improve the level of support it can provide, whilst LPCs will be able to share innovation and best practices across different regions. Ultimately, leading to better outcomes for contractors.[**Watch the video message**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=93a844620e&e=d19e9fd41c) Pharmacy Magazine publishes RSG member blogToday, Pharmacy Magazine published a blog from Mark Burdon, an independent contractor member of the RSG. In the blog, Mark explains how the RSG proposals will bring about the change needed to ensure contractors get value for money from their levy and better representation and support from PSNC and the LPCs going forwards. Mark states that the upcoming vote on the proposals is a pivotal moment for the future of the sector.[**Read the blog**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=4cc42d31d3&e=d19e9fd41c) NPA announces support for proposalsThe National Pharmacy Association (NPA), which is the trade association for independent community pharmacies in the UK, has announced its support for the proposals for the future of PSNC and the LPCs and confirmed that it plans to advise its member to vote to approve the proposals. On-demand version of National Contractor Briefing Event now availableA recording of the first National Contractor Briefing Event on the RSG proposals for the future of PSNC and the LPCs is now available on the RSG website. On the recording, you will hear from RSG Members Mark Burdon and Tricia Kennerley, as well as RSG Secretary James Wood. PSNC’s Chief Executive Janet Morrison also attended the event to offer her personal reflections on the proposals following contractor questions.[**Watch the briefing**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=68d1c4ebe2&e=d19e9fd41c) New clarification questions on the proposals publishedThe RSG has now published the answers to the second round of contractor questions on the [**proposals page**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=2ab37061a2&e=d19e9fd41c) of the RSG website. These will continue to be published at the end of each week until the voting period has closed. Please submit your questions directly to the RSG via this [**form**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=931fdb70b2&e=d19e9fd41c).  For more information about the RSG and its work, please visit: [**https://pharmacy-review.org/**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=6dbab9e652&e=d19e9fd41c) |  |
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| Pharmacy Representation Review Steering Group (RSG)The Pharmacy Representation Review Steering Group (RSG) is taking forward work to improve community pharmacy contractor representation and support. |

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