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| The voice of community pharmacy (banner) |

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| **This newsletter - sent on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays - contains important information and resources to support community pharmacies across England.** |

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| In this update: Implementing Pharmacy First webinar series; Watch our Recovery Plan webinar on-demand; Valproate Patient Safety Alert; More free places on ACPT programme. |

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| Community Pharmacy England will be hosting a series of webinars to help pharmacy owners and their teams to prepare for the new Pharmacy First service, and changes to the Contraception and Hypertension Case-Finding Services.Since the [announcement of the Recovery Plan agreement](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=11c9ce5944&e=d19e9fd41c), there has been a huge amount of information, guidance, and resources published, with more expected in the coming weeks.To help pharmacy owners and their teams absorb this information and prepare them to start providing, or expand their offering of these services, we are organising a series of webinars through December and January. These webinars will provide more detail on the individual services announced, talking attendees through how they will operate and things to consider when getting set up to provide them. Each webinar will be led by our Services Team and will have policy experts from NHS England and Centre for Pharmacy Postgraduate Education (CPPE) as speakers. |

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| [**Read more about the webinars scheduled**](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=2c3554678b&e=d19e9fd41c)  |

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| [**Book your place to attend**](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=5675b03b52&e=d19e9fd41c)  |

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| Pharmacy First and the Recovery Plan agreement webinar on-demandMore than 1,000 people attended Community Pharmacy England's two webinars on Pharmacy First and other changes associated with the Primary Care Recovery Plan agreement earlier this week. An on-demand recording is now available to watch.During the webinars, pharmacy owners had the opportunity to hear directly from our Chief Executive and Community Pharmacy England Negotiating Team Members. Attendees were provided with a summary of the agreement, including how the deal was reached and its importance for the future of the sector. 78% of the attendees reported finding the webinars useful.[Watch the w](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=cb3f0300bd&e=d19e9fd41c)[ebinar](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=1178d1b2c3&e=d19e9fd41c) |

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| National Patient Safety Alert: ValproateThe Medicines & Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) is asking healthcare organisations, including community pharmacies, to put a plan in place to implement new regulatory measures for sodium valproate, valproic acid and valproate semisodium (valproate). This follows a comprehensive review of safety data, advice from the Commission on Human Medicines and an expert group, and liaison with clinicians and organisations.[Learn more](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=f16b909a4a&e=d19e9fd41c) |

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| CPPE Accuracy checking pharmacy technician programme – more free places availableNHS England has provided an additional funding for the CPPE to offer the Accuracy checking pharmacy technician (ACPT) programme to an additional 40 pharmacy technicians.This programme is a 3-12 month training and development opportunity designed to support and assess pharmacy technicians in performing the final accuracy check of dispensed items on prescriptions. Due to the high level of interest, interested pharmacy technicians are encouraged to apply as soon as bookings open.[C](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=eb1c40f7ff&e=d19e9fd41c)[heck the opening dates for](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=05affc0254&e=d19e9fd41c)[booking](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=2923df121f&e=d19e9fd41c) |

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