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| Daily Update  |
| Monday 5th July 2021 |

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|  | This daily update contains important information for community pharmacy teams, including details of the ongoing response to the COVID-19 pandemic. In today's update: C-19 costs claiming period begins; CPAF screening deadline; C-19 vaccine study; LHCR case study.COVID-19 Costs: Claiming period beginsThe six-week period for community pharmacy contractors to claim for the extra costs they incurred due to the COVID-19 pandemic begins today, **Monday 5th July 2021**.Under the [**deal reached between PSNC and HM Government**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=9aa25fe6fe&e=d19e9fd41c) last week, contractors can claim for specific categories of COVID-19 related costs incurred between **1st March 2020 and 31st March 2021** for the delivery of NHS pharmaceutical services using an agreed claim form provided by the NHS Business Services Authority (NHSBSA).The claim form asks contractors to set out their costs according to these categories and to indicate their evidence for them. Contractors must think carefully when making their claims as the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) has not set out detailed evidence requirements. Contractors with two or more branches will be able to submit a single claim and provide documentation to evidence claims at a company level.PSNC will be issuing a series of guides to support contractors in making their claims. The first of these has been published today.[**Read PSNC's guidance and learn more about the claims process**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=559aaaa314&e=d19e9fd41c)    3 weeks left to complete CPAF 2021/2022Community pharmacy contractors are reminded that they have until **midnight on Saturday 24th July 2021** to complete the Community Pharmacy Assurance Framework (CPAF) screening questionnaire for each of their NHS pharmacies: 3,558 pharmacies have already done so.Contractors yet to complete the questionnaire should read [**PSNC's Briefing on the CPAF screening process for 2021/22**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=f97ca077f5&e=d19e9fd41c), as this explains the changes from the last CPAF process and provides guidance on the new questions. Encouraging patients to support COVID-19 vaccine studyPharmacy teams are asked to encourage patients who have recently had a COVID-19 vaccine to participate in a safety study about the vaccines to ensure that any side effects are swiftly recognised and acted upon. [**Find out how your pharmacy team can help**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=8545458cd3&e=d19e9fd41c) Pharmacies benefit from access to East London Record systemPharmacies in parts of East London as well as the City of London and Hackney have started accessing the [**East London Patient Record (eLPR)**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=dc0ee18b6c&e=d19e9fd41c), which is a type of Local health and shared care record ([**LHCR**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=3a79eba210&e=d19e9fd41c)). PSNC and the Community Pharmacy IT Group ([**CP ITG**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=806147ba00&e=d19e9fd41c)) encourage contractors and LPCs to get involved with shared care records and LHCR programmes within their area.[**Learn about the benefits of pharmacy access to LHCRs**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=293bc3147e&e=d19e9fd41c) |  |
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