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| If you'd like to have Practice News and other relevant CCG updates sent to you directly, please email [communications@coventryrugbyccg.nhs.uk](mailto:communications@coventryrugbyccg.nhs.uk). |

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This Phone and Photo Advice & Guidance service will be launching 15th June 2021, please see the [attached](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-DOYV-3W4C1S-9W2N1-1/c.aspx) for further information about the service and on how to access it.  **Consultant Connect – Coventry, Rugby Warwickshire North Monthly Highlights**  **For the attention of Coventry, Rugby & Warwickshire North General Practice Colleagues**  Please see the attached below monthly Advice & Guidance call activity highlights from the Consultant Connect service.   * [Coventry and Rugby](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-DOYV-3W4C1S-9W2N2-1/c.aspx) * [Warwickshire North](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-DOYV-3W4C1S-9W2N3-1/c.aspx)   **Change of Variant Names**  **On behalf of Nikkie Temperley-Smith & Roma Holland, Heads of Primary Care Commissioning - NHS Coventry and Warwickshire Clinical Commissioning Group**  **For the attention of Coventry, Rugby, Warwickshire North & South Warwickshire General Practice Colleagues**  Please see below the new names of the Covid-19 variants, which are from the Greek alphabet, for your information. |  |  | | --- | | Table  Description automatically generated |  |  | | --- | | **Primary Care Data Gathering Programme (Coventry and Warwickshire)**  Coventry and Warwickshire CCG is currently involved in a National Estates Programme being undertaken by NHS England in order to learn more about GP practice premises. The Primary Care Data Gathering Programme is intended to bring the information held on general practice premises in England up to a consistent baseline standard nationally.  For more information, please see [attached](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-DOYV-3W4C1S-9WBPL-1/c.aspx).  Key dates in the programme:  • Beginning of w/c 24 May 2021: GB Partnerships representative to make contact with each practice via email, attaching their individual template. Receipt required for unique password to be provided to open attachment.  • 11 June 2021: Requested template return date from practices. If additional time is required, please contact the GB Partnerships representative.  • August 2021: Practices granted access to their data and analysis tools on SHAPE  Please note colleagues from Community Health Partnerships (CHP) have engaged with Practice Managers w/c 24th May requesting information to close gaps in the Data Gathering exercise.  Please can you take the time to complete the template and return as soon as possible.    **Focus on Exploitation online event**  Please find [attached](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-DOYV-3W4C1S-9WBTF-1/c.aspx) details of an online learning event focusing on exploitation. Leading academics and speakers will be sharing their knowledge and experience .  Training, events & surveys    **Gypsy, Roma and Traveller History Month**  June is Gypsy, Roma and Traveller History Month. Through celebration, education and raising awareness, Gypsy, Roma and Traveller History Month helps to tackle prejudice, challenge myths and to amplify the voices of Gypsies, Roma and Travellers in wider society. This year the theme is ‘Make Some Space’.  Find out more here.    Friends Families & Travellers, are also working with NHS England and Improvement to explore ways to address inequalities in healthcare waiting lists for nomadic populations. Friends, Families and Travellers are hosting a webinar on **Monday 14th June** for Gypsies, Travellers and Boaters and health professionals to share good practice and experiences around waiting lists for nomadic people. If you or someone who you work with may be interested in attending, [register your place here](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-DOYV-3W4C1S-9W2N4-1/c.aspx).    A brief overview of their histories can be seen here [https://youtu.be/1bhBbMrF8Z0](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-DOYV-3W4C1S-9W2N5-1/c.aspx).    **Health Inequalities, Social Isolation, Wellbeing Webinars for males in NHS**  **On behalf of Heather Kelly, Senior Commissioning Manager (Targeted Care)- NHS Coventry and Warwickshire CCG**  **For the attention of Coventry, Rugby, Warwickshire North & South Warwickshire General Practice Colleagues**  In partnership with Black Country Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust and the NIHR Clinical Research Network West Midlands, Arden GEM will be supporting with the first national **NHS Men’s Health Event for NHS staff** during 'Men's Health Week' (14 - 18 June).    There will be an array of sessions designed to explore a range of topics of interest to men. Please find more details [here](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-DOYV-3W4C1S-9W2N6-1/c.aspx). Please note these sessions are open to all staff and their family and friends.    **New guide for LGBT patients**  **On behalf of Jon King, Assistant Primary Care Development Manager - NHS Coventry and Warwickshire CCG**  **For the attention of Coventry, Rugby, Warwickshire North & South Warwickshire General Practice Colleagues**  Please click [here](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-DOYV-3W4C1S-9W2N7-1/c.aspx) for information regarding a new guide for lesbian, gay, bisexual and trans (LGBT) patients, setting out what they should expect from their doctor, has been published to coincide with the start of Pride Month by the General Medical Council (GMC).    Newsletters  **Primary Care Improvement Community Newsletter**  **On behalf of Sarah Weir-Smith, Quality Lead Nurse for Primary Care - NHS Coventry and Warwickshire CCG**  **For the attention of Coventry, Rugby, Warwickshire North & South Warwickshire General Practice Colleagues**  Please click [here](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-DOYV-3W4C1S-9W2N8-1/c.aspx) for Primary Care Improvement Community Newsletter with some good practice and PCN tools and sessions contained within. | | |