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| PRACTICE NEWS20/08/21**Welcome from the Clinical Vice Chair** |

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| **Welcome to this week’s edition of Practice News**As Clinical Vice-Chair for Coventry and Warwickshire CCG, I am deputising this week on behalf of Sarah who is having a well-deserved break. Some of you may know me already but for those of you who don’t, I’m Dr Sukhi Dhesi, GP in Leamington Spa but born and bred in Coventry and I am the Governing Body Representative for South Warwickshire Place. Of particular note this week, can all practices look out for the national ceasing audit of the NHS Cervical Screening Programme in England, which is being undertaken to ensure that all individuals that have been removed from the Screening Programme have been ceased in line with national guidance with a one-off contribution payment in recognition of this work currently being negotiated.For those practices signed up to the Long Covid Enhanced Service, please find enclosed supporting information on the template, pathway and training and for those of us struggling with patients with Long Covid details of a free self-referral online course.I’ve enclosed a link to the recently updated General Prescribing [guidance for the Dying Adult](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EVRW-3W4C1S-AV1MF-1/c.aspx) across Coventry and Warwickshire and a reminder of medicine supply and shortages update for August 2021 that can be accessed by logging on to the [Specialist Pharmacy Services website](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EVRW-3W4C1S-AV1MG-1/c.aspx). Please also note, there continues to be intermittent supplies of diamorphine 5mg and 10mg injections. All Champix (varenicline) products are unavailable until further notice. Patients currently prescribed Champix will require review and switching to nicotine replacement therapy unless contraindicated. A reminder that it’s organ donation week on Monday 20th September and lastly, a big thank you from the CCG for all your hard work and don’t forget to take a break today….. Regards,Dr Sukhi Dhesi |

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| Latest information for practices**NHS Cervical Screening Programme - National Ceasing Audit****On behalf of Alison Cowie, Head of Public Health Commissioning and Operations**                                                                         Following the identification of a national [**incident**](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EVRW-3W4C1S-AUQ5S-1/c.aspx) in the Scottish Cervical Screening Programme (which we notified you of on 25th June 2021) we have agreed to bring forward our plans to undertake a national ceasing audit of the NHS Cervical Screening Programme in England.  Ceasing audits are undertaken to ensure that all individuals that have been removed from the NHS Cervical Screening Programme have been ceased in line with the national guidance. GP practices should ensure they fully participate with the audit process.                                                           Phase 1 of the audit is expected to commence on 20th August 2021 and will include all patients who have been recorded on the national cervical screening call and recall system since 1st April 2010 as:* having no cervix (and are therefore no longer eligible for cervical screening) and;
* where there is no record that a ceasing notification letter was sent to them when they were originally ceased.

                                                           This is circa 57,000 patients and on average practices will be asked to review 9 patient records to confirm whether they have a cervix.  A high-level timeline for the audit is detailed below:                                                           * **From 20th August 2021** – over a 3 week period, CSAS to email patient lists to GP practices and DMS (Defence Medical Services).  Practices with the most cases to review will be contacted first.
* **From issuing of lists** – CSAS to reinstate patients as indicated by GP practices and DMS.  Due to the PNL process the earliest that a patient will be notified that they have been incorrectly ceased from the Programme is the end of September 2021.
* **By 13th October 2021** – GP practices and DMS to review and return their updated patient lists to CSAS
* **From 1st October 2021** - CSAS to start to reinstate patients from lists where GP practices have not responded.
* **By 19th October 2021** - CSAS to finish all reinstatements to enable them to commence training for the new Cervical Screening Management System.
* **29th October 2021** - Data migration for the new Cervical Screening Management System starts.
* **30th October 2021** - New Cervical Screening Management System to be implemented.

                                                           NHSEI is currently liaising with the BMA GP Committee with regards to a one-off contribution payment in recognition of the workload impact of this request.  This is due to slightly higher numbers requiring to be audited due the length of time since the last national audit was completed.  Further communications about this potential one-off payment will be issued to you in due course.                                                           NHSEI’s stakeholder team issued a briefing to stakeholders on 16th August 2021 to notify them of the audit this included the British Medical Association and the Royal College of General Practitioners.  A communication about the audit will also be included in the Primary Care Bulletin on 19th August 2021. Also please find [attached](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EVRW-3W4C1S-AUQ5T-1/c.aspx) a set of FAQs which provide further background information on the national ceasing audit.                                                           We are finalising the timescales and processes for Phase 2 of the audit (individuals ceased from programme since 1st April 2010 for all other ceasing reasons) and further communications will be issued once these have been agreed.                                                                If you have any query then please contact us on england.phadmin@nhs.net                                                           **GPES Long Covid: Local support documents**For those practices who have signed up to the Long Covid Enhanced Service see enclosed support documents:                                                           1. NHSE Assessment [Template](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EVRW-3W4C1S-AUQ5U-1/c.aspx) - you may have already seen via GMAST2. [Coventry and Rugby Pathway](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EVRW-3W4C1S-AUQ5V-1/c.aspx) - for reference inc the new Hope online offer3. [Warwickshire North Pathway](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EVRW-3W4C1S-AV0TH-1/c.aspx) - for reference inc the new Hope online offer4. [Training log](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EVRW-3W4C1S-AUQ5W-1/c.aspx) - in case useful, includes sources of training/background information                                                           Please feel free to cascade to relevant practice staff.                                       **URGENT - BD Supply Disruption communications**An update has been made to the BD document shared earlier due to an error. Please see [attached](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EVRW-3W4C1S-AUQ5X-1/c.aspx) the updated version of the BD risk stratification / optimisation document that has been sent out again.  Unfortunately there was an error in the document in relation the section on routine infertility testing.                                                            **Routine infertility testing**- Routine infertility testing should be deferred until a resolution to the supply disruption is in place, with exception of patients over 35 years of age in consultation with the individual patient.                                                           Please note, the document is also available on our website [here](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EVRW-3W4C1S-AUQ5Y-1/c.aspx).                                                             **Vaccinating Children**NHS Digital has confirmed that the search tools for 12–15 year olds with specific underlying health conditions that put them at risk of severe COVID-19 went live in: • TPP (on 11 August)• EMIS (late on 13 August) • Vision (on 6 August)                                      All practices are asked to run these searches by 19th August. • FAQs re: Vaccinating Children [(attached)](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EVRW-3W4C1S-AV0TI-1/c.aspx)**•**[Letter in link re](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EVRW-3W4C1S-AV1D8-1/c.aspx): 12-15 CEV searches. o LVS sites who are proceeding - can start inviting as soon as they are compliant with the children’s checklist. o Sites who have not opted to proceed – we are currently working with CWPT re: children’s clinics. We will conform how Practices can share their lists with CWPT asap.                                      • Please see below links for updated Protocol to include children cohorts:* [National protocol for Comirnaty® COVID-19 mRNA vaccine - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EVRW-3W4C1S-AV0TJ-1/c.aspx)
* [National protocol for COVID-19 mRNA vaccine BNT162b2 (Pfizer/BioNTech) - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EVRW-3W4C1S-AV0TK-1/c.aspx)

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2. Details of the time that the rough sleeper has been seen at the location.
3. Any information about the rough sleeper that will help find them (gender, approximate age, what the person looks like, what they are wearing).

You will receive details of the action the local authority normally takes when they are told someone is sleeping rough in their area and an update on what has happened as a result of your alert within 10 working days if you have requested it.StreetLink is a website, mobile app and phone service for England and Wales, which enables people to send an alert when they see someone sleeping rough to connect that person to local support services that can help to end their homelessness.  StreetLink itself is not an outreach service or an accommodation provider, nor is it an emergency service. It is the link between someone sleeping rough and the independent local services available. StreetLink is a non-profit organisation managed and delivered by Homeless Link in partnership with St Mungo’s. It is principally funded by the UK Government (Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government), with additional funding from the Greater London Authority (GLA) and the Welsh Government. This funding does not represent any form of government endorsement of advertisements associated with StreetLink.   **National Electronic Dermatology Guidelines for the Treatment and Referral of Common Skin Conditions****On behalf of Roma Holland & Nikkie Temperley-Smith, Heads of Primary Care Commissioning - NHS Coventry and Warwickshire Clinical Commissioning Group****For the attention of Coventry, Rugby & Warwickshire North General Practice Colleagues**In response to rising dermatology referrals nationwide, please see below a link to new national dermatology guidelines.I would be grateful if this link could be made available to all GPs and other Primary Care Health Professionals in your area - these guidelines work equally well on work computers and mobile devices.[https://www.pcds.org.uk/desktop-treatment-guide](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EVRW-3W4C1S-AV0TM-1/c.aspx)Kind regards Dr Tim CunliffeGPwER Dermatology and Skin SurgeryJoint lead for Skin Cancer & Skin Surgery, Department of Dermatology, South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust                    Executive Chair Primary Care Dermatology Society**NHS App & COVID Pass - Social Media Kit for the NHS Family**Dear Colleagues,As part of NHSX's continuing work against the Covid-19 pandemic they are looking to supportpeople across England understand more about the NHS App and the COVID Pass. This includes the features and benefits it can bring to individuals needing to access health and care services as well as using the features to help them in several aspects of their management of Covid.NHSX have now produced a NHS Family Communications Social Media Toolkit [(attached)](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EVRW-3W4C1S-AV0TN-1/c.aspx) to help enable CCGs, ICS and primary care contractors on their social media channels. The toolkit includes high quality engaging content such as social media posts, impactful infographics, animations and also videos tailored with a diverse and wide-ranging audience in mind to drive likes, shares and click-throughs with the desired call-to-action of downloading the NHS App and COVID Pass.                           NHSX hopes that you find these useful but should you have any questions or feedback about the toolkit and/or the assets, then please contact Stephen Breen in the first instance: stephen.breen@nhsx.nhs.net**2WW Referral Pathways**Following some recent 2WK referral pathway queries, please see below the table of which services which local trust provides. Practices should be able to identify the provider in which they sent the referral to on eRS, please note there are a couple of services not provided at GEH (and also SWFT) when it comes to 2WW referrals. It is also recommend that practices look at their audit trail within eRS to ensure they are contacting the appropriate provider; please find the [attached](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EVRW-3W4C1S-AV2DJ-1/c.aspx) for more information. **Information for clinical staff**We have been alerted to a global shortage of products from their Blood Specimen Collection Portfolio. This supply disruption is expected to last for a significant period of time.     NHS/E/I issued urgent [guidance on recommended actions](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EVRW-3W4C1S-AV2E6-1/c.aspx) earlier this week. **This guidance must be shared with all clinical staff and acted on immediately.**This guidance applies to all organisations regardless of supplier to ensure equity of care as well as preserving alternative stocks to support mutual aid.      The measures set out in this guidance seek to ensure that there is no disruption to urgent care, and services for patients are able to continue as clinically appropriate. **Failure to enact this guidance could limit the availability of tests.**     NHS Supply Chain has issued an [Important Customer Notice](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EVRW-3W4C1S-AV2E7-1/c.aspx) which details the products impacted and the measures they have put in place.   General Practices that secure these products from Primary Care Support England (PCSE) should continue to order in this way. GP practices that do not usually order from PCSE can also order via [their process](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EVRW-3W4C1S-AV2E8-1/c.aspx).Please note the above has been shared with all provider and primary care staff.**Consultant Connect –Telephone and Messaging Advice & Guidance success in July**Please see attached below monthly highlights, where you can also request your Service Directory which allows you to find your specialty access numbers, which you can call to request Advice & Guidance.    * [Coventry and Rugby](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EVRW-3W4C1S-AVCO7-1/c.aspx)
* [Warwickshire North](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EVRW-3W4C1S-AVCO8-1/c.aspx)

         Training, events & surveys**Autumn online support programme for Coventry & Warwickshire Long Covid patients****Free 8-week online self-management course \*with peer support\* for Long COVID launches September**                                                      [Hope for The Community CIC](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EVRW-3W4C1S-AUQ5Z-1/c.aspx), Coventry based social enterprise, in partnership with local statutory and VCSE organisations, are running a free online self-management course for people with long-COVID in Coventry, Warwickshire and Rugby. The offer is part of two year, place based Live well with HOPE project, funded by NHS Charities Together, in conjunction with UHCW Charity.                                                        The Hope Programme is a peer-supported group self-management programme. The course was co-created with people, healthcare professionals and academics. Based on positive psychology, mindfulness and cognitive behavioural therapy, the Hope Programme courses are co-designed and rooted in over 20 years of research evidence at Coventry University.                                                        We are keen for as many people as possible to hear about the Hope Programme offer and our project. The courses are free to anyone living in Coventry, Warwickshire and Rugby (18+ no need for formal diagnosis) .                                       Currently people mostly self-refer. We’d be happy to build a simple referral form on our website to make it easier for professionals with your guidance.                                                        For your info, please find enclosed:·       PDF attachment and a link to a brochure of our Hope Programme courses 2021·       Flyer for the inaugural Long COVID course starting in September for anyone living with a long-term condition – feel free to share with anyone that may benefit or your wider networks.                                                        We’d be happy to provide more info and in other formats – we have flyers and postcards that we can drop off. We market in social media. If there are groups, newsletters, mailing list etc we could join to share this info, we’d be grateful for your support.                                                        We want to make sure we reach as many people as possible for them to benefit and would be grateful in your support to spread Hope.                                                        **Charlotte Temple****Lead for Community Connections****Department of Spiritual Care (UHCW)****Survey Request - Part 2 (MSc Thesis): Digital Technology Adoption For The Assessment of Cognition in Primary Health Care****On behalf of Roma Holland & Nikkie Temperley-Smith, Heads of Primary Care Commissioning - NHS Coventry and Warwickshire Clinical Commissioning Group****For the attention of Coventry, Rugby & Warwickshire North General Practice Colleagues**I am a *Drug Discovery & Pharma Management MSc* student at University College London School (UCL), conducting my dissertation project with a university spinout, dedicated to developing tools that provide fast, objective, and sensitive measures of cognition. As part of this research, I am carrying out a two-part survey on GPs. As you may recall, the initial [survey](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EVRW-3W4C1S-AUQQL-1/c.aspx)was shared last month. I am now collecting responses for the follow-up survey (**5 minutes**) [here](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EVRW-3W4C1S-AUQQM-1/c.aspx). I would therefore be very grateful if this survey could kindly be circulated to any **GPs** within the practice who may be interested.Please note, no personal data will be collected. Survey responses will contribute to my MSc research at the UCL School of Pharmacy and be used to support my efforts in understanding the needs of primary healthcare providers when it comes to the early detection of cognitive impairment in their patients, as well as their attitudes towards digital diagnostic tools.  I would greatly appreciate it if you could fill in the survey by Wednesday September 01st, 2021.If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.Thank you very much in advance! Regards, **Sahra Mohamed** | UCL MSc candidate University College London (UCL), School of Pharmacy29-39 Brunswick Square | London | WC1N 1AXsahra.mohamed.20@ucl.ac.uk**GP Safeguarding Leads and Named Safeguarding GPs conference being hosted by NHSE/I on 4th November 2021****On behalf of Julie Carter, Safeguarding and CiC Co-ordinator-NHS Coventry and Warwickshire Clinical Commissioning Group****For the attention of Coventry, Rugby & Warwickshire North General Practice Colleagues**Please see the attached newsletter from the Screening                     Dear Colleagues,                     At our recent named GP and Safeguarding Leads meeting we informed you of our plans to offer a conference specifically aimed at Practice Safeguarding Leads and Named Safeguarding GPs. [Attached](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EVRW-3W4C1S-AV17O-1/c.aspx) is a flyer with further details for you to circulate across your primary care networks. Please note that due to the format of the conference and plan for the event we will have limited numbers. Therefore it is likely that there will only be space for **one representative per PCN.**Further details and an agenda will be circulated in due course. In the meantime please ask your colleagues to hold the date and consider who will be representing the PCN.                     For further assistance please email england.mids.safeguardingcyp@nhs.net                     Many thanks for your support.                       Leanne WalpoleSafeguarding AdministratorMidlands Safeguarding Team**NHS England and NHS Improvement – Midlands**                    **Climate Change Survey - The Role of Primary Care in Tackling the Climate Emergency**To Whom It May Concern, My name is Flora Chamberlain, and I am a medical student at Warwick Medical School. I am investigating the plans of local organisations involved in primary care relating to climate change and sustainability. This information will be used to provide a context for a research grant application that is being prepared by my supervisors, Dr Jo Fleming (Senior Research Fellow, Unit of Academic Primary Care, Warwick Medical School) and Professor Jeremy Dale (Professor of Primary Care, UAPC, GP, Warwick Medical School). It may also be written up for publication. Our larger grant proposal aims to find out when, why and how primary care can best contribute towards a Greener NHS. This preliminary work in Coventry and Warwickshire will help us understand what is currently happening at a local level, and provide a baseline from which to help design our future study. Our main interest is to gain understanding of the range of activities and plans that are already in place across Coventry and Warwickshire that relate to primary care. If your organisation is interested in taking part, **please could you send me any information related to your current or planned actions to help address the climate emergency**. This may include, but is not limited to, reports, policy, or strategy documents. This information may pertain to a range of areas including, but not limited to, adjustments to buildings, transport, medicines and prescribing, catering, and sustainable care models. **If you are unaware of any actions or plans being undertaken by your organisation, please could reply to this email stating “nothing relevant”.**Please submit any information through clicking on this[link](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EVRW-3W4C1S-AV17P-1/c.aspx).Please upload any documentation including policies, procedures and guidelines to this secure [link](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EVRW-3W4C1S-AV17Q-1/c.aspx).If available, please could you direct me to any additional information available through your organisation’s website related to this area. **Any information that you send will be treated as confidential, and in any report will not be attributed to any organisation.**Thank you very much for considering this invitation to participate, and I look forward to hearing from you.Yours faithfully, Flora Chamberlain   Newsletters**Communities and Partnerships Newsletter Update 17/08/2021 - Funding opportunity****On behalf of Yasser Din, Commissioning Manager - Public Health - NHS Coventry and Warwickshire Clinical Commissioning Group**   Please find [attached](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EVRW-3W4C1S-AV19I-1/c.aspx) the Communities and Partnerships Newsletter Update 17/08/2021 - Funding opportunity                           |

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