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| **Welcome to this week’s edition of Practice News** With a week of soundbites from politicians, local groups, WhatsApp and press, this week I wanted to share a brief but meaningful encounter that happened to me recently as another way of saying thanks and sharing the inspiration it gave me. While I was doing a rather adventurous bit of minor surgery this week on a Police Officer who is working in the arena domestic violence, she asked me “Why did you become a doctor?” I answered initially, if you’d asked me at 18 I’d have said to help people and to bring about change in their lives. We then chatted (while I sliced, swabbed and sutured) about the choices we make and the challenge, privilege and joy of working with people. Like the lidocaine in her incision the warm glow of positivity after a conversation like that wears off but the deep rooted recall of choice and privilege in the midst of the soundbites and rising demand gives hope. For tangible support if the hope is waning do check out this [NHS Staff Support page.](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-FWT3-3I2931-BO4Z1-1/c.aspx) Feel free to email me as well as checking out the notices below with opportunities in the training/opportunities section to sustain. |

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| Latest information for practices  **New Cervical Screening Management System Delay**Please be advised the go live date of the New Credential Management System has now been delayed to March 2022 by NHS Digital.   The application has been installed to PCs at the practice and the Identity Agent has been updated too. Although, this will not be required until the system goes live.   For Warwickshire North members- If you do have a PC or laptop that it has not been deployed to please can you log a ticket with the service desk via the portal [https://sdp.swft.nhs.uk/](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-FWT3-3I2931-BO43Q-1/c.aspx) so this can be actioned accordingly.   If you find you still have staff members who will need access to the Cervical Screening Management System – please can you also list names and smartcard numbers of the staff members. **Practice Interest For Tier 2 Workshop - 21 October 2021**On behalf of NHSE this is a call out for practices who may be interested in attending a **Skilled Worker (Tier2) Workshop on 21 October 2021 (1pm-2.30pm)**?  NHSE are particularly looking for practices who may wish to become a Tier 2 sponsoring practice.  If any practices are interested and would like an invitation for the workshop, please can you email Faye Donaghy, Medical Workforce Programme Manager (Interim) at f.donaghy@nhs.netor kasia.tuleja@nhs.net.  **NHS Cervical Screening Programme - Cervical Screening Campaign 2022**The Office of Health Improvement and Disparities (OHID), part of DHSC, is planning a national cervical screening campaign in February-March 2022 to encourage all those eligible to attend screening.  The ‘Screening Saves Lives’ campaign will raise awareness of the risks of cervical cancer and highlight the preventative benefits of screening. It will encourage individuals to respond to their screening invitation letters, and if they have not respond to previous invites to book an appointment at their GP practice.  The cervical screening campaign is an existing successful campaign – in 2019 there were 100,000 additional screening samples taken at the time that the marketing activity ran.  The campaign strategy has not been confirmed, but media activity is likely to include TV advertising, Video on Demand, social media, media partnerships, together with national and regional PR activity. The Office of Health Improvement and Disparities’ partners will play an integral role in supporting the campaign by amplifying campaign messages through their channels.  Cervical Screening Programme providers are asked to note this campaign so resources can be planned accordingly to ensure sufficient capacity to deal with any increase in activity that the campaign may generate. For any questions please contact eastmids.phadmin@nhs.net  **GP Practice Submissions for October 2021 Data Ongoing****On behalf of Sam Thorne Contract Manager, Contracting Team / Planning & Performance Directorate-Coventry and Warwickshire CCG**This is a reminder that for October 2021 data ongoing, it will need to be submitted for payment as the block payments are being removed. E-mail reminders will be sent directly for the enhanced services that are a manual submission for any practice that has not submitted by the correct date but for the schemes that are required to be submitted by the DLP (data landing portal) there is no ability to allow delays or late submissions for this. **Weight Management Enhanced Service – Clarification around SNOMED Code****On behalf of the GP Contracting Team - NHSE**We have received a number of queries around whether codes other than the one required under the Weight Management Enhanced Service may be used to generate payments.   The Weight Management Enhanced Service Specification states that Practices must make a manual claim (via CQRS) for payment. Claims must be on the basis of the number of unique patients with a qualifying referral (coded on the basis of the SNOMED code below).  The referral to weight management service code is **1326201000000101**. Any other codes used will not generate payment for these referrals.  **Reminder- TASK40453 FOR INFO BD Blood Tubes October update letter**On behalf of NHSE & I - Please see [attached](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-FWT3-3I2931-BO4Z2-1/c.aspx) a letter on the Becton Dickinson supply disruption as well as updated best practice guidance for primary and secondary care.   **General Practice Annual Electronic Self-Declaration (eDec) 2021** **On behalf of the Data Collection Service**The collection window for the 2021General Practice Annual Electronic Self-Declaration (eDec) will open to receive submissions from **Monday 18th October 2021.** All practices are required to submit their practice eDEC through SDCS, the link to login is [here](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-FWT3-3I2931-BO43R-1/c.aspx). Please find guidance on how to complete [here.](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-FWT3-3I2931-BO43S-1/c.aspx) The deadline for submitting the eDec will be **Friday 26th November 2021.**In response to feedback through the GP bureaucracy review and to help further reduce associated burden of the collection, we have enhanced the collection to highlight revisions and new questions, there is also a new feature applied to catchment areas to help practice with branch sites to confirm their branch catchment areas. If you have any difficulty completing the return or have any queries which are not covered in the guidance, please contact generalpractice.datacollections@nhs.net with 'eDEC' in the message subject line.  **Kind Reminder: Use of the UHCW Long Covid Assessment Clinic** UHCW colleagues continue to work actively to manage the waiting times for Long / Post-covid screenings and assessments, including for GP clinic referrals. They have noted that a small, but growing, number of GP referrals are now presenting where Long Covid is not the primary indication eg referral seeking to gain quicker access to rheumatology review. The Long Covid Assessment Clinic is only for suspected Long Covid cases where other possible causes have reasonably been excluded. The Assessment Clinic has reasonable access to a Respiratory Consultant but is otherwise delivered by an MDT of therapists with Psychology support.Referrals for other reasons will likely simply add unnecessary delay and inconvenience to the patient's experience.  If useful, the Advice and Guidance function remains an option - see the Long Covid section of the GP Gateway.   Training, events & surveys  **Annual Health Checks for People with Learning Disability Training**The Community Learning Disability Team, Coventry and Warwickshire Partnership Trust are providing 4 sessions between October and December 2021- please see [attached information](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-FWT3-3I2931-BO66E-1/c.aspx) **Introducing our new Aspiring Leaders GP Fellows for 2021/22**After an exciting and competitive application process, we are pleased to have appointed the second cohort of Coventry & Warwickshire’s Aspiring Leaders GP Fellows (2021/22).The fellowships provide exciting opportunities for eligible GPs, to spend time working in local general practice, with funded time to upskill in a particular field.  Fellows are able to develop their leadership potential and able to access connections to experts in policy, research and industry,  to support their learning.  Funding is available to support professional development and this in turn enhances both the primary care and wider healthcare system.  All fellows are funded for two sessions a week, for 12 months through 2021/22 fellowship funding streams.  **Visionary Fellows - Leaders in Digital Systems:** Dr Ashia Ahmad-Pasha (South Warwickshire) & Dr Nick Tyrrell (South Warwickshire)**Transformation Fellows - Leaders in Systems:** Dr Natalie Flood (South Warwickshire) and Dr Sarah Ajam (Warwickshire North)**Trailblazer Fellows – Leaders in deprivation:** Dr Sasha Darwazeh (Coventry) & Dr Colette Hancock (Coventry) The Visionary and Transformation fellows, will be introduced to projects from across the system that align with their skills and interests. They have diverse and relevant experience and a real desire to improve patient care and enhance patient pathways.  The Trailblazer fellows will be linked to an established education programme delivered by [Fairhealth](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-FWT3-3I2931-BO43T-1/c.aspx). Trailblazers are also linked to a Midlands wide education and peer support network and local partners.  They are passionate about addressing health inequalities and improving delivery of healthcare to communities in need.  We are confident we can create some fantastic learning opportunities for this brilliant, talented group of GPs and look forward to following their fellowship journey. **PHOENIX GP Programme**This national career development and leadership programme specifically designed for mid career GP's successfully launched with our first event in September. It aims to re-engage, inspire and develop the careers of our core workforce through 6 sessions of motivational conversations with keynote speakers, and skills workshops. It was oversubscribed, with 35 successful applicants invited to attend our first event, where we welcomed Dame Clare Gerada, President Elect of RCGP as our speaker, and a workshop on 'Managing Change  - 'Introducing the Model for Change in Health and Social Care'.  It was greatly received and we are looking forward to future sessions with speakers including Dr Raj Patel Deputy National Director for Primary Care, and Dr Rachel Morris, GP, Coach, and  host of 'You are not a Frog' podcast. More information about the programme can be found here: [https://www.phoenixgp.co.uk/](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-FWT3-3I2931-BO43U-1/c.aspx) **Additional Capacity and Demand Session dates - 2nd and 25th November****On Behalf of Jane Chapman, Head of Commissioning: Primary Care Transformation****Additional Capacity & Demand Session dates – 2nd and 25th November**Due to the popularity of the previous sessions held in September, two additional online regional Capacity and Demand sessions have been arranged for general practice/PCN staff to be held on the 2nd and 25th November (12.30-2.00pm) using MS Teams.  The sessions are 90 minutes each and are identical, so participants only need to attend on one of the dates.  The sessions will help participants gain a practical understanding of demand and capacity and how this information can be used to better manage service provision and aid in designing more robust needs based services at a practice and Primary Care Network level.  The sessions are open to all General Practice staff, PCN Clinical Directors and other PCN staff and will be provided by the Time for Care team.  [Attached flyer](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-FWT3-3I2931-BO610-1/c.aspx) provides additional information regarding the aims of the sessions, details of the presenters and a booking link.   To book a place on either of the sessions, please click the link:[Demand and Capacity session I](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-FWT3-3I2931-BO43V-1/c.aspx)It is hoped that the sessions will help practices as they prepare for managing demand through winter.  **Type 1 and Tech event 16th October****On Behalf of NHS England and NHS Improvement – Midlands**please can I ask if you can circulate the attached information across your networks, this event is for the t1 community by the t1 community kindly hosted by Partha as the people’s choice.  We already have over 1200 sign-ups we even have sign ups from over 15 countries around the world. It is clear this event is important to our t1 community and we would like to share this further than we have ever been able to in previous years,  we would love your support and influence in promoting this, the event is a northern power house in terms of speakers both in terms  HCPS and patients.  You will see and hear some of the most powerful stories, and just why tech is so important. Balanced by the emotional impact of Tech from Dr Rose Stewart.  Our colleagues here at Diabetes UK have kindly put some text together to help promote this on social media, this is in the [‘Type 1 and Tech social media posts’ doc attached](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-FWT3-3I2931-BO611-1/c.aspx) Please feel free to copy and paste then adapt as necessary to include your stories, thoughts, or any targeted areas of interest.   Please see attached the [poster](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-FWT3-3I2931-BO612-1/c.aspx) for promotion [(JPG version)](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-FWT3-3I2931-BO613-1/c.aspx) You can download posters for surgeries/clinics from our website, if you would like to send targeted SMS or emails we can also provide SMS text with links.   Newsletters  **Reminder: Weekly CARS Incident Report Bulletin Issue 19****On behalf of NHSE & I**Please see cars incident [report](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-FWT3-3I2931-BO66F-1/c.aspx) shared with CP’s and SVOCs.  **Quarterly research update from the Unit of Academic Primary Care**Please see [attached.](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-FWT3-3I2931-BO66G-1/c.aspx)  Vacancies  **Primary Care Surge Centre - Flexible GP Shifts Offered - please share with GPs in your Practices**From late October, South Warwickshire GP Federation (SWGPF), Coventry & Rugby GP Alliance (CRGPA) , Warwickshire North GP Federation and Rugby Health are launching a new service to practices in need across the whole of Coventry and Warwickshire. We will be putting on remote clinics – providing remote GP appointments - for practices who are struggling with acute capacity issues over the Winter months.   We envisage this will be to support practices with unplanned sickness, absences and other unforeseen events – with an initial focus on GP workforce.  **We’re looking for clinicians who can put themselves forward for 4-hour sessions from a remote location**. This will be ideal for those who may want to pick up some additional hours during the day without travelling to a practice site. There will be no expectation to see patients face-to-face but we want clinicians who will do a full consultation and manage all necessary activity related to the consultation.  You will be asked to remotely contact patients who have been booked into a clinic by the struggling practice, to treat the patient as part of a core GMS consultation appointment.   As a starting point, we are looking at putting on morning and afternoon sessions on Monday to Friday.  There will be some flexibility in the starting time for each session but we anticipate the lists will start between 9:30 and 10:00 and after 13:00 in the afternoon. A session consists of 4 hours of 12 minute appointments. The whole session will cover one surgery only.    The rate of pay is £90 per hour; and currently you will need access to your own laptop.  Shifts will be made available via Lantum to GPs who are registered with the CRGPA bank (we can support GPs with the process to register with Lantum).  For further information about the service, please contact Dr Ian Taylor (iantaylor@doctors.org.uk) or Cristina Ramos (cristina.ramos@nhs.net, 07976515829). **To join the bank (or for further information about the bank) please email****crgpa.admin@nhs.net****.**  |

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