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| |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | Latest information for practices    **Free Activities to support Mental Health**  **On behalf of MENtalk**  We are currently offering FREE activity sessions to support men and women with their mental health. The sessions are open for people to turn up to as we can sign people up on the day. The activities are largely decided on by participants, and we are able to facilitate: Badminton, Football, Table Tennis, Basketball, Indoor Archery, Bowls and multiple other indoor sports. We are currently giving free ticket vouchers for Coventry City FC fixtures to any new members.  Please encourage any friends, family or service users you feel might benefit from our sessions to come along to any of the following:  **MENtalk**  Warwick session: St Nicholas Park Leisure Centre (CV34 4QY) – every Tuesday, 11:00 – 13:00pm.  Coventry session: Moat House Leisure Centre (CV2 1EA) – every Thursday, 12:00 – 14:00pm.  Nuneaton session: Jubilee Sports Centre (CV10 7EZ) – every Friday, 14:00 – 16:00pm.  **WOMENtalk**  Warwick session: St Nicholas Park Leisure Centre (CV34 4QY) – every Wednesday, 11:00 – 12:30pm.  Nuneaton session: Jubilee Sports Centre (CV10 7EZ) – every Friday, 12:00 – 13:30pm.  Again, participants are able to come along and sign up on the day – they do not need to be referred or contacted prior to sessions.  Best wishes  Robbie Chandler  Health Manager  Sky Blues in the Community  Registered Charity Number: 1127014  T: 024 7678 6349  M: 07845 812639  [Website link](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-GW7A-3W4C1S-CI9T1-1/c.aspx)  **Marking one year of the Covid-19 vaccine**  On 8 December 2020 at 6.32am, Maggie Keenan became the first person in the world to receive an approved Covid-19 vaccine at University Hospital, Coventry. Since 8 December a total of 459,977 of Warwickshire's 551,198 residents have received at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine**. This equates to a first dose vaccination rate of 83.45% of all residents which is greater than the English rate of 77.91%.**  193,022 of Warwickshire's 551,198 residents have received a third or booster dose of a COVID-19 vaccine. This equates to a third/booster dose vaccination rate of 35.02%, **ranking Warwickshire 1 out of 9 for Warwickshire geographical neighbours.**  NHS Midlands team have produced the following assets to share on practices’ own channels:  ·       A one-minute video that recognises the progress and pace of the vaccination programme: [watch this on YouTube](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-GW7A-3W4C1S-CI9RG-1/c.aspx) or [download from Google Drive here](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-GW7A-3W4C1S-CI9RH-1/c.aspx)  ·       One year on social media ‘timeline’ assets for Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, marking the programme’s key milestones to date. [You can download these assets here](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-GW7A-3W4C1S-CI9RI-1/c.aspx)  **Vaccination as a condition of employment - letter, guidance and resources**  **On behalf of NHS England and Improvement Flu and COVID-19 Vaccination Programme**  Please see attached [Vaccination as a condition of employment letter](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-GW7A-3W4C1S-CI9T7-1/c.aspx), [guidance](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-GW7A-3W4C1S-CI9T8-1/c.aspx) and [resources](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-GW7A-3W4C1S-CI9T9-1/c.aspx" \o "https://cwccg.net/5ECH-GW7A-3W4C1S-CI9T9-1/c.aspx)This is for onward cascade.    **Clinical Waste Duty of Care Online Waste Audit Invitation**  You will be aware that Anenta have the role of waste management agent across the Midlands region, providing management services for the provision of clinical waste services. This involves the contract management of all associate clinical waste contracts along with supporting practices in meeting operational and statutory requirements.    Despite Anenta’s best efforts the impact of the arrival of Covid 19 has significantly delayed their schedule for the delivery of audits across the patch.  Following our agreement, Anenta has developed a new compliant audit tool that has now been implemented across the region. This audit will be made available to you to complete in due course.  Anenta will communicate with you directly the means to access this audit through your online account. **If you have not already created an online account, it is important that you do so as soon as possible by following**[**the link.**](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-GW7A-3W4C1S-CI9RJ-1/c.aspx)    Anenta has developed a comprehensive guide to completing the audit including a list of items that you may wish to compile prior to starting the audit, such as the electronic version of your waste management policy.  The audit will remain available to you to complete at a time suitable to you, however Anenta will be issuing reminder notifications to ensure you remain compliant. **These audits must be completed as part of your Duty of Care under section 34 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990.**  Upon completion the team at Anenta will evaluate the responses and provide a full report including methodology, results and a suggested action plan.  Please see below (Appendix 1) an outline of the areas covered and specific requirements of supporting documentation:  **Appendix 1**  To help you prepare for the audit, here is an overview of the areas covered and specific requirements of supporting documentation:    **1. Practice Overview**  Providing details about the Practice and the person conducting the audit    **2. Waste Management Policy**  Ensuring that the Practice has an up-to-date Waste Management Policy\*    **3. Waste Management Training**  Ensuring that regular Waste Management Training is provided to employees\*    **4. Records of Documentation**  Ensuring that the relevant documentation such as HWCNs (Hazardous Waste Consignment Notes) are on file at the Practice\*    **5. Internal Waste Containment**  Auditing the accuracy of waste containment and segregation as per HTM 07-01 and other relevant guidance in clinical rooms\*    Inspecting a sample of clinical rooms that contain different types of clinical waste (2 clinical rooms if the practice has a total of 5 clinical rooms and 4 if there are more than 5 clinical rooms    **6. Bulk Waste Containment**  Auditing the accuracy of external waste and/or internal bulk waste containment and segregation per HTM 07-01 and other relevant guidance at the external or internal waste site\*    Documentary evidence will be required and uploaded to the system. This may be images of containment and waste or the supply of documents such as the waste management policy, training records or HWCNs    ***\*****Documentary evidence will be required and uploaded to the system. This may be images of containment and waste or the supply of documents such as the waste management policy, training records or HWCNs*  Thank you in advance for your time on this matter.  **Should you have any queries regarding the audit or the contents of this email, please contact**[**support@anenta.com**](mailto:support@anenta.com)    **Prescribing Dashboard - Sept 21**  **On behalf of the Medicines Optimisation Team**  Please find [attached](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-GW7A-3W4C1S-CI9TA-1/c.aspx) the Prescribing Dashboard for September 2021.    **Update: Bone health guidance in light of COVID-19 DXA delays**  **On behalf of the Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust**  Please find [attached](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-GW7A-3W4C1S-CI9TG-1/c.aspx) update.  **Action required on EMIS WEB to enable GP Connect: Access Record Structured**  Action required on EMIS WEB to enable GP Connect: Access Record Structured  EMIS has been granted Full Roll-Out Approval (FRA) for GP Connect Access Record: Structured using their Web product. This allows EMIS to join SystmOne in sharing patient Medications and Allergies data with compliant consumer systems such as Lincolnshire Care Portal and Devon Mental Health Services.  To allow consumers to make use of this structured data, GP Practices using EMIS Web should follow these instructions.  You can read more at the GP Connect website.    **EMIS Now instructions:**  Users are being asked to enable Access Record: Structured functionality in their system. This requires a user with the relevant permission level to log in and enable the functionality. Once this is complete there is no further action for the GP practice. A full audit can be found in the GP System, please refer to your suppliers’ user guidance for details on how to access the audit.    **EMIS - Seasonal Flu Data Issues**  On behalf of the CQRS team, Further to the initial communication shared on 25th November 2021 regarding an issue impacting the October seasonal flu payment extract for EMIS practices, we can confirm that EMIS has now completed the process to re-extract the correct data.  **Action required**  Declaration & approvals may proceed for the Seasonal Flu Service.  **Next Steps**  Declarations in CQRS that were approved and submitted to PCSE before the updated data was received will have been processed for payment. NHSE/I Local Vaccination Service/Primary Care Group will liaise with Heads of Public Health Commissioning to take forward the approach for reconciliation of underpayments with local team. The reconciliation process and any associated actions will then be communicated in due course.    Training, events & surveys  **Focus group for general practice staff next week**  You can help reduce the number of people with a learning disability living with and dying from complications relating to constipation. People with a learning disability are more at risk of constipation than the general population. Reviews into the deaths of people with a learning disability have shown us that over 50% of people who died were diagnosed with constipation and 38% were prescribed laxatives. See [link](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-GW7A-3W4C1S-CI9RM-1/c.aspx).  We are developing a campaign to raise awareness of constipation among people with a learning disability, their family carers and general practice staff in how to recognise, prevent and treat it.  We need your help to shape this campaign. You can help inform the key messages and materials that will underpin this vital work to help save lives.    This online focus group is specifically for GPs, practice nurses, clinical pharmacists, reception staff and other staff working in general practice who come into contact with patients. Please share with members of staff across your practice. All views shared within the group will be treated anonymously. We will be running an online focus group on:  **Date: Wednesday, 15th December**  **Time: 1-2pm**  To book a place please email [agem.communications@nhs.net](mailto:agem.communications@nhs.net) with the following information:  **Participant Name:**  **GP practice name:**  **GP practice location:**  **Job role:**  **Email address:**  **New Free Diabetes online learning programme - open now**  Please find the [attached flyer](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-GW7A-3W4C1S-CI9TB-1/c.aspx) The Midlands Clinical Network project ‘**Adept**’ has started. This on-line course is completely **free** to all users.    **Adept** is an on-line learning tool for all Health Care Professionals (HCP’s) who may want to raise/ learn or increase their knowledge in Diabetes. Adept is focused on the 15 healthcare essentials criteria, covering topics such as Covid-19, Blood Pressure, Eye examination and Foot care to name a few.    **Adept** stands for: **Achieving Diabetes care Excellence through Primary care Teams.**  The Adept project has been created by Professor Vinod Patel, West Midlands Clinical Director for Diabetes and Satyan Kotecha, West Midlands Community Pharmacy Lead. Both Professor Patel and Satyan have put together the Clinical Learning package to allow users the chance to learn more in depth knowledge about Diabetes. The course is spilt into 4 sessions and in-between each session we have some key learning short quiz questions, to test knowledge.  Once a month we will also have an online ‘live’ session for users to ask any questions or add comments directly with Professor Patel, Satyan and a member of the NHSE (Midlands) Diabetes Clinical network.    The Adept project is now open to all HCP’s across the Midlands, following a successful pilot session. Once the training has been completed you will receive a certificate of attendance and completion of the programme.    The online sessions are being run via Res Consortium and have been created with HCP’s in mind all the way. The system also allows for extra resources.  Feel free to sign up and register your interest using the below link and feel free to share the [flyer](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-GW7A-3W4C1S-CI9RN-1/c.aspx" \o "https://cwccg.net/5ECH-GW7A-3W4C1S-CI9RN-1/c.aspx)further afield.  Any questions please contact  [Shaneela.khakh@nhs.net](mailto:Shaneela.khakh@nhs.net)    **Air Cleaning Devices in Healthcare**  **On behalf of NHSEI**  Please see [a link](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-GW7A-3W4C1S-CI9RL-1/c.aspx) to a recent webinar around Air Cleaning Technology (ACT): Minimising the risk of SARS Cov-2 airborne transmission in Healthcare settings.  Newsletters  None to report  Vacancies  **GP Vacancy at Park Leys Medical Practice (6-9 sessions per week)**  Please see [attached](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-GW7A-3W4C1S-CI9TP-1/c.aspx) job advert.  **Support worker at Arts and Dementia Warwickshire**  Please see the [advertisement](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-GW7A-3W4C1S-CI9TC-1/c.aspx) for a new job role opportunity from Arts Uplift CIC. Please do circulate to your networks as appropriate.    Freelance Administrative Support Worker needed for 2 days a month on Arts Uplift CIC's Arts and Dementia Warwickshire programme for the next 13 months with a possible 1 year extension. For more information and how to apply look at the [web page](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-GW7A-3W4C1S-CI9T2-1/c.aspx) or email [jenny@artsuplift.co.uk](mailto:jenny@artsuplift.co.uk).  Local freelancers only please!    **Deadline 14th December. Interviews 17 December. Contract start January 2022.** | | |