***Community Pharmacy Deadline Tracker – November 2020***

***If you are part of a pharmacy group or multiple, please liaise with your company managers/head office***

| **Subject** | **Actions and links** | **Tick when done** |
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| **Coronavirus (COVID-19)**

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 | Please keep up to date with information relating to the outbreak of COVID-19, including the current situation in the UK and Europe and information about the virus and its’ symptoms.Look out for the most up to date information guidance via your NHS Shared MailboxPractical guidance to support primary care teams in managing contact with and presentations of patients who suspect they may have [COVID-19](https://www.england.nhs.uk/coronavirus/primary-care/)The standard operating procedure for community pharmacy has recently been updated (26/10) and can be found [here](https://www.england.nhs.uk/coronavirus/publication/standard-operating-procedure-community-pharmacy/) More information including the current posters to display can be found on the PSNC page [here](https://psnc.org.uk/the-healthcare-landscape/covid19/information-for-the-public/)Business Continuity Information for pharmacies can be found [here](https://psnc.org.uk/the-healthcare-landscape/covid19/business-continuity/) |  |
| **Pharmacy Profile Update****Christmas 2020** | Ensure your Directory of Services and NHS Website profiles are up to date |  |
| **Healthy Living Pharmacy****1st January 2021** | Ensure you have your HLP Leader and Health Champion in place in time for the planned changes to the Terms of Service during 2020-21. Pharmacy contractors must ensure they are compliant with the HLP requirements. For more information read [here](https://psnc.org.uk/our-news/extensions-made-to-covid-19-provisions/). Please note the Distance Selling Pharmacy (DSP) website requirements do not have to be complied with until 1st April 2021. |  |
| **Flu Vaccine Supply****Flu vaccine 50-64 cohort** **1st December 2020** | The Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) has published guidance on how community pharmacies will be able to access supplies of flu vaccines procured centrally by the Government.Full details on how to access the stock can be found [here](https://psnc.org.uk/our-news/guidance-published-on-accessing-dhsc-flu-vac-stock/).The flu vaccination programme has been extended to include the 50-64 year old cohort from Tuesday 1st December 2020. You can still vaccinate all other eligible groups listed in [Annexe A](https://www.england.nhs.uk/publication/community-pharmacy-seasonal-influenza-vaccine-service/) of the Community pharmacy service specification. |  |
| **Updated Mask Guidance** | See the updated PHE guidance on the use of facemasks by pharmacy staff [here](https://psnc.org.uk/our-news/updated-phe-guidance-on-use-of-face-masks-by-pharmacy-staff/).**IMPORTANT: Sign up to the** [**PPE Portal**](https://nhs-ppe.co.uk/customer/authentication) **to ensure you have access to stocks and read the latest** [**statement**](https://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/ordering-community-pharmacy-ppe-supplies-using-ppe-portal) **from the NHSBSA here.**  |  |
| **PQS 20-21 Part 1** **Live****Deadline 29th January 2021 by 23:59.** **Remember that completion of and claiming for the Part 1 scheme is a Gateway requirement for the Part 2 scheme. We would recommend to complete this ASAP.** | Full details of [Part 1](https://psnc.org.uk/our-news/pqs-announced-for-first-part-of-2020-21/) can be found on the PSNC website. To meet the requirements of the new scheme, contractors need to complete all 14 actions set out in a checklist, all of which relate to the response to the pandemic.Supporting information* [10-minute digital guide](https://psnc.org.uk/services-commissioning/pharmacy-quality-scheme/part-1-pqs-2020-21-digital-guide-for-contractors/)
* [Evidence Checklist](https://psnc.org.uk/services-commissioning/psnc-briefings-services-and-commissioning/psnc-briefing-024-20-pharmacy-quality-scheme-essential-criteria-checklist-for-covid-19-evidence-checklist/)
* [FAQ](https://psnc.org.uk/services-commissioning/pharmacy-quality-scheme/pharmacy-quality-scheme-2020-21-faqs/)
* A record sheet to capture staff briefings or training sessions

VirtualOutcomes has developed a module that will walk you through each item on the checklist and give suggestions on what evidence you and the team need to keep. Access [here](https://www.workcast.com/register?cpak=9824458649347104) |  |
| **PQS 20-21****Part 2****Starts October 2020** | Full details of requirements for Part 2 of the 2020-21 Pharmacy quality Scheme (PQS) can be found on the [PSNC Website](https://psnc.org.uk/services-commissioning/pharmacy-quality-scheme/pqs-2020-21-part-2/)Part 2 formally commenced on the 1st October 2020.NHSE&I has published [guidance](https://www.england.nhs.uk/publication/pharmacy-quality-scheme-guidance-2020-21/) on the Part 2 Pharmacy quality Scheme (PQS) 2020-21. This guidance buildings on the information on the PQS contained within the September Drug Tariff.Download the LPC PQS2 training summary [here.](https://devonlpc.org/our-news/devon-lpc-newsletter-september-2020/pqs-part-2-training-summary/)**Access the local antibiotic formularies to support Domain 1** [**here.**](https://devonlpc.org/pharmacy-resources/resources-g-l/formularies/)**Domains 4&5: Local PCN work around prevention and business continuity**Respond promptly to any messages from your PCN lead to ensure you are part of the discussions for the PCN domains. If you don’t participate you will be unable to claim for these domains. A [list and contact details](https://devonlpc.org/primary-care-networks/nhs-devon-primary-care-networks-including-pharmacies-and-pharmacy-leads-updated-october-2020/) of the leads can be found on our website.  |  |
| **Check Shared Mailbox** | **NHSE&I, NHSBSA, PCN pharmacy leads and the LPC regularly send important communications to your NHS Shared Mailbox.****Please ensure sufficient staff have access to your mailbox and that it is checked at least once daily.** |  |
| **GPCPCS****1st November 2020****CPCS GP referral pathway engagement activity payment****1st November 2020 until 31st March 2021** | The NHS CPCS has been extended to include referrals from general practices as well as from NHS 111. More information [here.](https://psnc.org.uk/our-news/commencement-of-gp-referrals-to-cpcs/)Contractors registered to provide the CPCS will be able to claim a £300 engagement and set up payment if they undertake a range of actions to get rolling for the referral pathway in their area. The requirements are detailed in [Annex F](https://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/2020-10/CPCS%20spec%20additional%20referral%20routes%202020%20-%20final%20draft_.pdf) of the updated service specifications. Further information on CPCS GP referral pathway can be found [here.](https://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/pharmacies-gp-practices-and-appliance-contractors/dispensing-contractors-information/nhs-community-pharmacist-consultation-service-minor-illness-and-urgent-repeat-medicines-supply)  |  |
| **VirtualOutcomes** | New modules are released every month and are currently FREE to Devon community pharmacies[. Brief training webinars](https://www.virtualoutcomes.co.uk/pharmacy-training/) are available for all members of the pharmacy teams. |  |

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