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Welcome to "IESCCG Practice Nurse News". A monthly newsletter to update you on work at the CCG and to provide the opportunity for **YOU** to share **YOUR** news and successes.

The Nurse Forum is for nurses working in general practice across Ipswich and east Suffolk to share information, link with each other and engage in shaping the future of practice nursing in East Suffolk.

Asthma resources

A new webpage has been added to the CCG website with key resources for clinicians dealing with paediatric asthma.



The links include:

- Teaching inhaler technique
- Information for parents and carers
- Asthma action plans from Ipswich Hospital and West Suffolk Hospital
- Emis Web and SystemOne templates for carrying out an asthma annual review and following up after an unplanned emergency admission

Visit: www.ipswichandeastsuffolkccg.nhs.uk/GPpracticememberarea/Practicesupport/Practicesupport/AsthmaBasicResources

The use of asthma registers

The ARISSA study is looking for GP practices in the east of England who would like to be part of a randomised controlled trial of GP practice staff training and high risk patient identification and flagging to reduce the occurrence of severe asthma related events.

Practices selected will receive online training and follow up for one year for GPs, Nurses and reception staff in managing care for those asthma patients identified as being at the highest risk of having a severe event. Visit: www.uea.ac.uk/arrisa-uk

Shingles programme 2018/19 letter published

NHS England, and Public Health England (PHE) have published a [2018/19 shingles programme letter](#). The letter provides a reminder of the eligibility criteria and highlights the first evidence from the evaluation of the shingles immunisation programme.

Change to Next Trinity Park Training: Stoma & Ostomy

The next training event at Trinity Park is on **Wednesday 25 April** where Stoma nurses Sarah & Debbie will be giving an overview of Stoma appliances and the management of stoma, with understanding what to consider when prescribing these products.

The barrier creams session with CCG nurse Tralee Lashley has been postponed until later in the year.

Any nurse who is interested in attending the Breast disease lecture alongside the GPs from 4pm would be most welcome. Alternatively, there is a [Making Every Contact Count \(MECC\)](#) session led by One Life Suffolk.

Programme:

1300-1415: Lunch

1415-1530: Stoma & Ostomy

1530-1600: Tea & coffee

1600-1700: Breast disease lecture or Making Every Contact Count

Please be aware that the Stoma session forms part of the prescribing incentive scheme, which requires nurse attendance from every practice.

To sign up, please email [Shelley Mitchell](mailto:Shelley.Mitchell).

Practice Nurse Forum Latest

The inaugural Practice Nurse sub group will be meeting on 25 April at 1.15pm at Trinity Park to discuss ideas and ways of getting the forum up and running. This will include bringing together all the fantastic ideas produced at the last meeting. If you have any thoughts of things the sub group need to discuss please do let [Louise](#) know.

HOLD THE DATE:

The next Practice Nurse forum will be on **Thursday 28 June**. Details of the agenda will be circulated after the sub group have met on 25 April.

Education, Training and Workforce Development

Don't miss out on local training opportunities! The Community Education Provider Network (CEPN) issue a weekly newsletter outlining local training and education sessions. Sign-up at CEPN@suffolkch.nhs.uk