

Newsletter

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Welcome to the latest edition of our newsletter for primary care. We issue this newsletter to general practice on a regular basis to give you the latest updates and guidance. This is in place of the Weekly Inbox, publication of which has been suspended.

Previous issues – with attachments and [other useful links and resources](#) can be found [here](#). Clicking this link will not just give you access to archived newsletters but enable to access all the past resources and separate attachments plus a wealth of other resources that may not be in the newsletters. So please give it a go!

<p>1 Arrangements for Primary Care from 19 July 2021</p>	<p>Please see this primary care letter outlining continuing expectations across primary care in relation to access, infection prevention and control, and continuing contractual/regulatory arrangements.</p>
<p>2 Walk in Clinics for Covid-19 Vaccinations</p>	<p>For a full list of walk in clinics across Suffolk and north east Essex – please visit Location of walk-in clinics - SNEE NHS COVID-19 Vaccination Service (sneevaccine.org.uk)</p>
<p>3 AZ Vaccine Manufactured in India</p>	<p>Following on from the additional queries raised around the AZ vaccine that has been manufactured in India, NHS England has told the system it has been in touch with DHSC (who are leading on this piece of work) again. They have now provided the following additional lines regarding this issue:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All AstraZeneca vaccines given in the UK are the same product and appear on the NHS COVID Pass as Vaxzevria. • The European Medicines Agency, as well as our own medicines regulator, has authorised this vaccine and travel should not be affected. • No Covishield vaccines have been administered in the UK. • All doses used in the UK have been subject to rigorous safety and quality checks, including individual batch testing and physical site inspections, by the UK medicine’s regulator, the MHRA. • Ensuring safe and open travel with our global partners is a clear priority and we are engaging with international partners on certification to ensure travel for vaccinated people is unhindered in the future. • NHS E/I has spoken to the EU Commission who have confirmed that neither the Commission nor the EMA has advised Member States against accepting travellers vaccinated with ‘SII doses’. • The High Commission in Malta has been discussing this issue with the Maltese Government, who have agreed that they will accept the NHS certificate with the EMA approved AZ Vaxzevria dose. • Astra Zeneca vaccine will be recognised in the same way as any other.
<p>4 ICS Boundary Announcement</p>	<p>The Government has announced there will be no changes to Integrated Care System boundaries in the East of England, which means that our system will continue to move forward as Suffolk and North East Essex ICS. You can read the government’s statement here: Written statements - Written questions, answers and statements - UK Parliament</p>
<p>5 National Flu Immunisation Programme Plan</p>	<p>The annual flu letter describes the national flu immunisation programme and outlines which groups are eligible for flu vaccination. Please click HERE</p>

6 Infertility – Improved Referral Forms	Available here are the comms for the revamped ESNEFT infertility referral form on DXS.
7 Deaf Enhanced Support Service	Click here for details of the new deaf enhanced support service which is now live across the whole of the East of England until March 2022.
8 New Innovative Medicines Fund	NHS England have announced a new Innovative Medicines Fund to fast-track promising new drugs. NHS patients are set to benefit from early access to potentially life-saving new medicines, including cutting-edge gene therapies, thanks to a new Innovative Medicines Fund and £680 million of ringfenced funding, the NHS chief executive has announced. Click HERE for more information.
9 Latest Dementia Advice	The latest dementia news and advice from the Alzheimer’s Society can be accessed here .
10 Suffolk Voluntary and Statutory Partnership (VASP)	Please click the following link for the latest newsletter (19 th July) from The Suffolk Voluntary and Statutory Partnership. Some of the events listed in this newsletter are now out of date but there is plenty of “within date” content too.
11 Learning from Children’s Deaths Newsletter	The July edition of the Learning from Children’s Deaths Newsletter is available here .
12 RCGP Green Impact for Health Newsletter	The July edition of the Green Impact for Health Newsletter, from the Royal College of General Practitioners, can be accessed here .
13 STOMP STAMP Day Thursday 29 July	<p>On 29 July NHS E/I is running a series of short, focussed sessions to support clinicians to embed STOMP STAMP principals across the system. These practical sessions are suitable for clinicians working across primary and secondary care and will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What psychotropic prescribing data tells us about shifting trends • The impact of psychotropic medication on physical health and well being • How alternative interventions can be used to minimise reliance on medication • How primary care can engage with STOMP STAMP and to help tackle health inequalities • How secondary care can develop and deliver a meaningful STOMP STAMP process <p>STOMP Stopping over-medication of people with a learning disability, autism or both with psychotropic medicines. STOMP is about helping people to stay well and have a good quality of life and we are working across health and social care to achieve this.</p> <p>STAMP Supporting Treatment and Appropriate Medication in Paediatrics. STAMP is about how we can support children and young people with a learning disability, autism or both better.</p> <p>Please Register your attendance at any of the sessions.</p>

<p>14 Free Session for Unpaid Carers on Dementia, Delirium & Depression</p>	<p>The regional mental health team has commissioned “tide” (Together in Dementia Everyday) to deliver a session to support unpaid family carers to better understand dementia, delirium and depression and how to respond. The session is free and takes place on Friday 29th July.</p> <p>Please note the session is being delivered by carers with experience and is intended for <u>unpaid carers ONLY</u>. These could be friends/family of people living in care homes, supported living accommodation or at home.</p> <p>Register for the event here: https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJludu2srz8oEtUNju0KhG5EZOGQ8jt0Bsem</p> <p>The zoom meeting will open at 10am so attendees can come along early and 'meet' those who are attending with the main webinar commencing at 10.30am for an hour. For help accessing and using Zoom, please contact Linda via e-mail on linda@tidecarers.org.uk or by phone on 07719 983722.</p>
<p>15 Next Cancer Education Session</p>	<p>Please remember to join us for our next cancer education session:</p> <p>Date/Time: Thursday 29th July at 1pm</p> <p>Topic: Rehab/Personalised Care</p> <p>Speaker: Dr Andrew Yager, WSCCG Cancer Lead / Macmillan GP Suffolk and Dr Christopher Scrase, Macmillan Clinical Lead for Cancer in Suffolk and North East Essex.</p> <p>This will be a Microsoft Teams meeting; the link is below and in the full schedule of education sessions.</p> <p>Please just click on the following link prior to the date and time mentioned above.</p> <p>Microsoft Teams meeting</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Click here to join the meeting</p> <p>Please ensure you join in good time with your microphone muted and your camera off.</p> <p>If you missed our previous session on SNEE Cancer Educational Session - Helping to meet the DES requirements – a taster session on Safety Netting and Audit and still wish to view it, please click on the link https://vimeo.com/569836777</p>
<p>16 Adult & Flu Immunisation Updates</p>	<p>The Training Hub has commissioned Adult & Flu Immunisation Updates. All immunisers across Suffolk & NE Essex are eligible to attend fully funded webinars, which are available on several dates. There are still spaces available on Sep 10th, 13th and 28th (as at 26/7/21).</p> <p>A review of the theory and practice of immunisation for those currently immunising or advising on immunisation in their workplace. This 3 hour webinar covers the medicines management type content required in the annual update: consent, PGDs/PSDs, cold chain, safe and appropriate administration of vaccines etc as well as the adult vaccines – flu (*), pneumococcal, shingles, pertussis for pregnant women, tetanus and COVID-19.</p> <p><i>*We are aware that some HCAs and NPs give nasal flu vaccine but no other childhood vaccines so we will cover BOTH adult and childhood flu vaccines in this webinar.</i></p> <p>Meets the PHE recommendations for immunisers annual update.</p> <p>To book your place on one of the webinars, please follow this link. https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/adult-flu-immunisation-updates-tickets-163619790197</p> <p>Please note: A separate webinar will be available for Childhood Immunisations, but you are required to attend one of the above sessions, in addition to the separate Childhood update.</p>
<p>17 Palliative Care Conference</p>	<p>Attached here are details of the 2nd St Elizabeth Hospice Palliative Care Conference, which will take place on 18th November 2021.</p>

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ICS Briefing**

The Suffolk and North East Essex Integrated Care System briefing, released on 22nd July, for stakeholders and community leaders can be accessed [here](#).

If have any questions or important information to share in the next edition, please contact [Scott Pomroy](#).

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