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General Practitioners and mental health and well-being

At the halfway point in our series of mental well being masterclasses, workshop partner and PHP founder Dr Clare Gerada says the key challenge facing the NHS is GP retention as many leave the profession after burning out and experiencing anxiety and depression.

New London Ambulance Service proposals to introduce non-emergency transport

London Ambulance Service (LAS) have consulted with us about a new service which they are implementing to help them manage the need for emergency ambulances more efficiently. They have produced a poster and advice for practices.

NMC revalidation guidance launched

The Nursing and Midwifery Council have introduced revalidation for all nurses and midwives in the UK and new guidance has been produced to help nurses, employers and confirmers understand the changes.

Accredited Health Care Assistant programme

Londonwide LMCs has launched an academically accredited Health Care Assistant (HCA) training programme for those HCAs new or returning to general practice.

Londonwide LMCs' Annual Conference 2016 - hold the date

The Londonwide LMCs' Annual Conference will take place on Wednesday 20 April 2016 at The Emirates Stadium. The event will be free to all London GPs and practice teams. Titled, 'We Can Work it Out: Defusing London's Primary Care Timebomb', content will focus on workforce challenges and solutions. More information as well as booking instructions will be available to practices soon.

Speakers' Corner

Dr Ben Molyneux of City and Hackney LMC explains why the junior doctors' contract dispute is an important issue for general practice and the wider profession.

Guidance Updates

- NASGP standardised locum induction

- CCG-practice agreement for the provision of GPsoc and GP IT services

- CCG Outcomes Indicator Set is voluntary

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Death in service benefits

An update on death in service benefits regulations for locum doctors from Londonwide LMCs' Medical Director and GPC Sessional Committee Chair, Dr Vicky Weeks. Vicky also contributes to the BMA Sessional GPs newsletter.

Database and Membership Officer job

Londonwide LMCs is looking for a Database and Membership Officer on a fixed term contract from December 2015 to December 2016 to provide maternity cover (secondment considered). Application is by CV and covering letter by Thursday 22 October at 5pm.

QOF collection failure

QOF (Quality Outcomes Framework) data for September will now be collected in late October or early November. There is no payment directly linked to this collection.

Cervical Cytology for GPs

The matter of cervical cytology training for GPs and the requirement for "evidence of training attended" to be provided has been formally queried by Londonwide LMCs with NHS England. We will report back on their response and any developments in due course.

Training and development events

A look-back at the training events designed to support GPs and their practice staff in handling the challenges facing general practice.

Tamiflu in nursing homes

Practices are advised that the use of Tamiflu as a prophylaxis of influenza in nursing and care homes is not covered by GMS and should be commissioned as an enhanced service.

Media round-up

Londonwide LMCs's CEO Dr Michelle Drage responded to Jeremy Hunt's speech to Conservative Party Conference on 7 October, saying: "Spreading diminishing energies and resources over a further two days each week is unwelcome and demoralising." Read it [here](#).

Michelle also wrote a piece for the Huffington Post on how restoring the flow of patients through the health system would ease the burden on general practice and other care providers. Read it [here](#).

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