



# Londonwide LMCs

The professional voice of London general practice

**November 2016 newsletter out now**

## Workforce survey

Our latest workforce survey goes live tomorrow (Friday 25 November) and will gather insight to share with key opinion formers and stakeholders. GP principals and practice managers should check their inboxes for an email from ComRes.

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## Christmas appeal

We will be collecting underwear and socks to give to homeless patients at the Doctor Hickey Surgery in Westminster, following the poll in our last newsletter. We are also passing on gift cards from those who cannot deliver pants and socks in person.

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[Dr Michelle Drage responds to the Autumn Statement](#)

[Dr Drage said that the Autumn Statement falls far short of what is needed to address the challenges facing general practice in the Capital and beyond.](#)

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Meeting with David Burrowes MP

Dr Michelle Drage, Dr Vicky Weeks and GPs representing three practices in Enfield recently met David Burrowes MP (Enfield Southgate) at a practice in his constituency.

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PCSE problems: national Medical Performers' List

Due to the problems with getting GP trainees and registrars onto the national Medical Performers' List (MPL) they should be encouraged to check their MPL status. We have produced guidance on what to do if you do not appear on the MPL.

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Resource of the Month

CQC inspection guidance Detailed guidance containing essential information on how to handle the CQC inspection process.

DOWNLOAD 

SNAP POLL

Is the NHS health check a valuable service to patients or time and money which could be better spent elsewhere?

Valuable service

Spend elsewhere

## Guidance Updates

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Sessional GP newsletter

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BMA GPC newsletter

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November Capita survey data

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Dealing with unfair comments on websites

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Co-commissioning update

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Cameron Fund 2016 Christmas appeal letter

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Royal Medical Benevolent Fund Christmas appeal

Londonwide Diary  
December

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GP eDEC deadline

January

Communications and Customer Service LEAD event

25

Patient engagement workshop

GUEST BLOG - World Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease Day

16 November 2016 was World COPD Day, to mark it we asked Dr Azhar Saleem to share his knowledge of treating COPD. Dr Saleem is GP Respiratory Lead at Lambeth CCG and member of the Lambeth and Southwark Integrated Respiratory Team.

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Londonwide LMCs' Annual Conference Under pressure: stabilise, transform and sustain general practice for London Emirates Stadium, London |  
27 April 2017 Book your free space

Also this month...

Save the date: patient engagement workshops to run in New Year

We will be running three workshops on the role of patient participation groups in meeting the current challenges of general practice. Each workshop is focused on a different theme, with practice and patient leads invited to register for the workshop which is most relevant to them.

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## Health Select Committee winter pressures report

On 3 November the Health Select Committee released its report Winter pressure in accident and emergency departments. The main findings reflect our concerns that lack of support for community services is driving demand on the rest of the system. It also endorsed community-based general practice as the best placed model to keep down A&E admissions.

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## Patient online update

As another frantic year in general practice draws to a close we want to remind you of a deadline that is approaching with regards to offering online

services to patients.

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Londonwide LMCs awarded Investors in People Silver

We now have Investors in People Silver status; which is a reflection of the hard done across the organisation to create a positive and inclusive working culture. Particular credit goes to Paul Tomlinson, our Director of Resources.

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## Waltham Forest GP wins award for global mental health work

This month Dr Gabriel Ivbijaro of Waltham Forest LMC was recognised for his wide ranging work on mental health by the World Organization of Family Doctors (WONCA), who presented him with a WONCA Fellowship.

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## Media and public affairs round-up

Dr Michelle Drage's response to the Autumn Statement's lack of additional resources for general practice was covered in the Guardian, GPonline, Pulse, Practice Business and Nursing in Practice. On 28 October Dr Rebekah Dowdy, Chair of Sutton LMC, spoke to GPonline about aspects of the recently published South West London STP, following a request to our communications team. On 26 October Dr Michelle Drage was quoted in GPonline calling for the financial stabilisation of general practice two years on from the Five Year Forward View.

We continue to be very active in promoting the interests of London GPs and practice staff on Twitter, Facebook and LinkedIn. We also support practices that are approached with media requests, you can find details of how to get support here .

Got a story? Email us at [comms@lmc.org.uk](mailto:comms@lmc.org.uk). Deadline for next month's submissions is 14 Dec.

Downloaded your resources from our GP State of Emergency website.

[www.lmc.org.uk](http://www.lmc.org.uk)

