

February 2017 newsletter

Workforce survey

Our latest survey of London GP practices found that 30 are considering closure, nearly half have a vacancy and 45% expect a GP to retire in the next three years.

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2017/18 GP contract agreement

Make sure you are up to date with the changes to requirements, funding streams and enhanced services in the 2017/18 GP contract.

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Prospective employers' requests to see copies of appraisal summaries

Some GPs have reported receiving these requests. It is reasonable to provide proof of appraisal dates, but not to disclose summaries.

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GPC regional elections

Two seats in London are holding elections for the term covering 2017-20. Dr Michelle Drage is standing for re-election and Dr Stewart Kay is stepping down.

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Board members

We have two new board members: Dr Paul O'Reilly (Kensington, Chelsea and Westminster) and Dr Rishi Chelvan (Bromley). Dr Chris Jowett (Hillingdon) has been re-elected to his post.

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Resource of the Month

Patient Engagement Roundtable Review the recent findings and consider the next steps for our patient engagement work.

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SNAP POLL

Are hospitals following the rules on transfer of work set down in the new NHS Standard Contract?

Yes

No

A few are

Guidance Updates

- GP bureaucracy survey

- Sessional GP newsletter

- GPC Chair's newsletter

- QOF year-end bulletin

- How to register with a GP for asylum seekers

- NHSE 0-5 immunisation best practice

Londonwide Diary
March

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Dr Lisa Harrod-Rothwell chairing workshop at Commissioning Live

Interop Summit

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Dr Michelle Drage speaking at RCGP City Health Conference

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RCP professionalism workshops

April

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Londonwide LMCs' Annual Conference

GUEST BLOG - Refugee doctor

This month our guest blog comes from Dr Helal Attayee, who arrived in the UK as a refugee and has gone through the process of getting the necessary qualifications to work as a doctor in this country.

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Also this month...

Submission to new All Party Parliamentary Group Primary Care and Public Health Inquiry

We have been invited to submit evidence to the All Party Parliamentary Group on Primary Care and Public Health's new inquiry into managing demand in primary care. If you would like to contribute to our pan-London response please do so by 16 March.

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LMC Law HR and Employment Indemnity Package

Our employment law advisors LMC Law are launching a new HR and Employment Indemnity Package in partnership with AXA Insurance, which provides advice and guidance as well as insurance.

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London Ambulance Service research project

London Ambulance Service (LAS) are looking for GPs to join a focus group in March, to inform a research project that is linking ambulance data to emergency department data, including looking at referrals from LAS to GPs and from GPs to LAS.

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Managing conflicts of interest guidance

NHS England's new guidance on managing conflicts of interest comes into effect from 1 June 2017.

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Media and public affairs round-up

On 16 February we provided media training to another four LMC members, please contact us if you would interested in media training. On 9 February we wrote to London MPs and Assembly Members to tell them about our workforce survey results.

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. Deadline for next month's submissions is 15 March.

Downloaded your resources from our GP State of Emergency website.

