



# Londonwide LMCs

The professional voice of London general practice

## Londonwide LMCs' May 2019 Newsletter

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Primary Care Network applications

CCGs are currently assessing PCN applications. We can support practices where changes are requested or you have yet to join a network. Clinical Directors can also stay up to date by joining our new email based forum.

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Dr Michelle Drage reminds practices that they should have the final say in how their PCNs are set up and spells out the support on offer from Londonwide LMCs and our LMCs.

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## Workforce survey

Our next workforce survey will be emailed to practices the week commencing 27 May. The information we gather from the survey provides vital evidence in our work to better represent you.

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Viewpoint: what social prescribing means in practice

Dr Jane Myat explains how her Camden practice uses community activities to address social isolation, and the difference this makes to patient and staff wellbeing.

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Premises update

The latest developments in premises and lease issues affecting practices in Community Health Partnership or NHS Property Services buildings, plus rent reviews affecting all practices.

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Resource of the Month

Keep it Simple &ndash; social prescribers

Our straightforward on this new role.

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Improving numeracy and data skills in general practice

Following National Numeracy Day, representatives from National Numeracy UK explain the importance of developed numeracy and data skills in healthcare and their “National Numeracy Challenge” online tool.

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Also this month...

Digital round-table

On 3 July we will be hosting an event for practice IT leads, including practice managers, IT managers and GP leads, to discuss rolling out and using new technology in general practice.



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Information Commissioner's Office posters

The Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) has produced useful guidance and posters to help improve practice teams' understanding of data privacy. The guides include how to avoid common mistakes.

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## Clinical information dashboard

The new Primary Care Indicators Dashboard, originally scheduled to launch on 1 May, has been pushed back to an expected launch date of 31 May due to outstanding data issues.

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Remember to use BEAM to LMC to highlight the pressure you are under

Our BEAM to LMC mobile app, which enables you to tell us about the pressures you are under from commissioners and others, is proving popular. Make sure you check the app for push notifications.

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## Media and public affairs round-up

On 8 May Dr Michelle Drage, our Chief Executive, appeared on BBC London News, speaking about GP workforce shortages, we also arranged the BBC's filming at a West London practice. On 1 May, Michelle was quoted in Pulse, responding to plans by a London practice to submit a PCN application that covers all of the Capital, Michelle was also quoted in GPonline, the BMJ and Digital Health regarding this story. On 29 April, Dr Seth Dassanayake, chair of Hammersmith and Fulham LMC, was quoted in GPonline, speaking about cuts to extended access services in the borough. On 27 March, Seth spoke to the BMJ about the issue.

We continue to be very active in promoting the interests of London GPs and practice staff on Twitter, Facebook and LinkedIn. If you have an example of general practice doing something well which could make a news story please get in touch. We also support practices that are approached with media requests. You can find details [here](#).

The Buying Group is available to all London practices and gives access to discounts on a wide range of goods and services from Miab, MidMeds, Practice Index and Surgery Connect.

Contact [buyinggroup@lmc.org.uk](mailto:buyinggroup@lmc.org.uk) or visit the Londonwide LMCs' Buying Group webpage for further information.

Got a story? Email us at [comms@lmc.org.uk](mailto:comms@lmc.org.uk). Deadline for next month's submissions is 12 June.

Download your resources from our GP State of Emergency website.

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

