

## Londonwide LMCs' October 2019 Newsletter

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Digital-first update

NHS England's board has approved proposals put forward for managing the funding and lists of digital-first providers.

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Notification of Deaths Regulations updates

The Ministry of Justice has a new mandatory set of circumstances where GPs must provide written notifications of deaths to coroners.

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New London health plans

NHS England and Improvement has launched *Our Vision for London*, written with the Mayor's Office. The Mayor's Office has also written *Next Steps for Social Prescribing with Healthy London Partners*.

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Debt and Mental Health Evidence Form

The GP Contract requires practices to fill in a new, shortened Debt and Mental Health Evidence Form free of charge. Patients should seek to provide other forms of evidence before asking their GP.

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## Winter planning

The winter months can present many challenges for GPs and practice teams from flu epidemics to breach notices. Use our updated planning guidance to get you through the winter.

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Resource of the Month

'Did not attend' guidance and template letter

With winter approaching, ensure patients are making the best use of practice resources.

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Guidance Updates

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Physician - look after yourself

Following World Mental Health day earlier this month, Dr Richard Stacey from our GP support team looks at how clinicians can take better care of their own mental health.

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Also this month...

Brexit update

In the last month the DHSC has released some further high-level information on its plans for a ‘no-deal’ exit from the European Union. The National Audit Office has also released a report on its expectations.

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CNSGP collated coverage guidance

NHS Resolution have collated a table of what activities CNSGP does and does not cover, bringing together various clarifications from recent months.

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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 17 October Dr Michelle Drage, our Chief Executive, was quoted in the BMJ, reminding practices they are under no obligation to check the immigration status of patients if asked to do so by secondary care. On 3 October, Michelle was quoted in Pulse, in response to NHS England's decision on changes to the way digital-first GP practices' patient lists will work.

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](#).

Don't forget to read the latest Londonwide LMCs' Buying Group Newsletter.

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 13 November.

Download your resources from our GP State of Emergency website.

