



Londonwide LMCs

The professional voice of London general practice

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2021 is an election year, stand for your LMC

All LMCs are up for election this summer. If you are a GP working in London we encourage you to stand by 28 May. It is an opportunity for you to provide a voice for all general practice.

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Stakeholder engagement

We have recently been raising issues affecting London GPs in meetings with London MPs, representatives from the DHSC and the Mayor's Office, along with responding to a number of consultations.

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Workforce survey

We are now able to share some of our recent workforce survey data. Thank you to those working in over 300 practices who responded to the survey.

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Covid Vaccination Programme update

We have collected key guidance and instructions to PCNs providing vaccinations over the last month.

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Vaccination hesitancy outreach

We are working with Public Health England to provide GP speakers for vaccine hesitancy outreach work, with a specific offers for different communities. Get in touch if you would like to be involved.

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Resource of the Month

[GP Professional Support Network website](#)

Our dedicated website can match GPs with the most appropriate form of professional support for them.

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Why sessional GPs should join their LMC

Ahead of this summer's LMC elections, Dr Venio Suri explains how he got involved with his area's LMC and the value he has had from membership. Venio joined Hillingdon LMC as a trainee rep and within a few years has become Vice-Chair.

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Also this month...

CQC strategy consultation response

We have responded to the CQC consultation sharing our extensive experience of supporting practices with inspections, and how the process could be more proportionate without reducing safety.

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GP Forward View five years on

NHS England's GP Forward View launched in 2016, aiming to deliver on a number of aims within five years, we look at what it set out to achieve as the target date approaches.

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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 21 March, Dr Marek Jarzembowski, Chair of Merton LMC, was quoted in the Observer emphasising the importance of getting vaccinated in a feature looking at the political battles over vaccine supply and regulation. On 8 March we celebrated International Women's Day by sharing some interesting facts on social media. Thank you to all those on LMCs and in practices who have provide information to the communications team over recent weeks, this has been invaluable in briefing journalists from The Guardian, HSJ, The Times and other outlets.

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 or visit the Covid-19 supplies update for further information on flu vaccine, PPE and other infection control supplies.

Got a story? Email us at comms@lmc.org.uk. Deadline for next month's submissions is 14 April.

Download your resources from our GP State of Emergency website.

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