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Londonwide LMCs' October 2021 Newsletter

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Abuse of practice staff and face-to-face access

We are continuing to push for greater support for practices facing abuse and practices rights to provide face-to-face appointments where clinically necessary.

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[Guidance round-up](#)

A number of documents have been updated and letters published relating to the Covid-19 vaccination ES and the PCN DES.

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Practice staff booster jabs

People working in patient facing roles in general practice are eligible for their third Covid-19 (booster) jab from 180 days after their second jab. Appointments should be made via the National Booking Service.

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Becton Dickinson blood containers

NHS England has updated advice to practices, saying they should order one week's worth of blood sample containers at a time in order to maintain steady supplies.

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[Free early career training](#)

Early career and trainee GPs in London are eligible for a free leadership programme provided by Next Generation GP. Applications need to be submitted by 5 November.

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[Covid-19 vaccination medical exemptions](#)

Practices are now required to participate in assessing Covid-19 vaccination and testing exemptions.

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Reminding patients of Pension Credits

Thousands of London's pensioners on low incomes may not be receiving Pension Credits they are entitled to, GP practices can help by displaying reminder materials about who can claim.

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Workforce survey

Our next workforce survey will be arriving with practices at the end of next month. Information gathered in the last wave is already being used to support our work explaining how under pressure London practices are.

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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 19 October, Dr Elliott Singer, one of our Medical Directors, spoke to Pulse about an incident of staff abuse in North East London. On 15 October the BMA used one of our case studies in an article on abuse of practice staff.

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 [Londonwide LMCs's Buying Group webpage](#) for further information.

Got a story? Email us at comms@lmc.org.uk. Deadline for next month's submissions is Friday 19 November.

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