NHS Networks new content summary

**NHS NETWORKS weekly news stories:**
14:33pm, 28 September 2017
**UK 'eliminates measles' for first time**
The elimination of measles has been achieved in the UK for the first time the World Health Organisation says.

14:32pm, 28 September 2017
**Quality payments: amendment to drug tariff for SCR quality criterion**
The Department of Health has published an amendment in the October 2017 Drug Tariff, Part VII Quality Payments Scheme (England) relating to the summary care record (SCR) quality criterion for the November 2017 review point.

14:31pm, 28 September 2017
**Requirements for providing the flu vaccination service in care homes and other long-stay care facilities**
Community pharmacy contractors are allowed under the national flu vaccination service to provide flu vaccinations in care homes and other long-stay care facilities

14:30pm, 28 September 2017
**Rates of newly diagnosed HIV increasing in over 50s**
A European study that found more over 50s are being diagnosed with HIV compared with 12 years ago.

14:29pm, 28 September 2017
**Quality payments reminder**
Urgent action is required by community pharmacy contractors who appear to have not met the gateway criteria for the April review point, according to the Pharmaceutical Services Negotiating Committee.

14:27pm, 28 September 2017
**Delays in emergency department admissions rise a hundred-fold**
The number of patients waiting in emergency departments for more than 12 hours for admission has increased a hundred-fold in just five years, according to the BMA.

21:46pm, 27 September 2017
**National director reports on NHS IT strategy**
Matthew Swindells, national director of operations and information has written a blog setting out progress of the NHS IT strategy.

21:44pm, 27 September 2017
CCGs agree they need more strategic role
Clinical commissioners are playing a key role as architects of the changing health and care landscape, according to a report by NHS Clinical Commissioners.

21:43pm, 27 September 2017
What the NHS can learn from the education and criminal justice sectors
Following Mid Staffs and other high-profile failures of NHS care, the Health Foundation commissioned research into what the NHS can learn from other sectors.

21:42pm, 27 September 2017
Test urine before giving children anti-biotics for UTIs - NICE
NICE has updated its guidance for diagnosing and managing UTIs in children.

21:40pm, 27 September 2017
Investing in primary care good for the whole NHS – RCGP
The chair of the Royal College of GPs, has welcomed new research showing that stronger investment in primary care in England would lead to significant savings for secondary care - and reduce pressure on emergency departments.

21:38pm, 27 September 2017
Costs of NHS estates 2016/17
NHS Digital has published the results of the 2016/17 estates return collection.

21:36pm, 27 September 2017
Updated guidance on access to services for people with learning disabilities
Public Health England has updated its guidance on access to services for people with learning disabilities.

21:34pm, 27 September 2017
NHS England board meeting 28 September 2017
The next NHS England board meeting will take place on 28 September 2017 from approximately 10.45am.

16:58pm, 26 September 2017
Profession warns consumers to choose wisely as corrective procedures increase
A new survey has revealed that nearly three quarters of aesthetic professionals providing treatments such as teeth whitening and botulinum toxin have had to correct the work of another practitioner.

16:56pm, 26 September 2017
Last chance to take part in community pharmacies workforce survey
Health Education England has issued a last call to pharmacy contractors to complete the
community pharmacies workforce survey.

16:54pm, 26 September 2017
**Biosimilars framework for commissioners outlines opportunities for the NHS**
NHS England has published a commissioning framework for biological medicines to make the most of the opportunity presented by increased competition among biological medicines, including biosimilar medicines.

16:52pm, 26 September 2017
**New report showcases how new care models are harnessing technology**
A report from NHS Confederation, NHS Clinical Commissioners, NHS Providers and the Local Government Association, New care models: harnessing technology, explores how five vanguards are implementing innovative digital technology solutions as part of a new approach to care.

16:50pm, 26 September 2017
**Improving staff retention: a guide for employers**
NHS Employers has published a new guide to improving staff retention.

16:49pm, 26 September 2017
**Psychoactive substances in secure mental health settings**
This review summarises the latest evidence and makes recommendations for secure mental health service commissioners and providers.

16:45pm, 26 September 2017
**Findings of Freedom to Speak Up survey**
The National Guardian's Office has published a report outlining the findings of its first Freedom to Speak Up guardian survey.

14:29pm, 25 September 2017
**Social workers speak out about the state of care**
This report contains the findings of a survey by Community Care Magazine supported by the Care and Support Alliance.

14:28pm, 25 September 2017
**Access and waiting times in children and young people's mental health services**
This report examines new data on access to specialist treatment for children and young people with mental health problems and the waiting times they face.

14:20pm, 25 September 2017
**First two trusts reach electronic referrals milestone**
Two hospital trusts and their referring GP practices have become the first in the country to
adopt an all-digital process for booking patient hospital appointments.

14:18pm, 25 September 2017

Choice in end of life care: government progress
This report sets out the progress the national end of life care programme board has made in implementing the government’s choice commitment.

14:17pm, 25 September 2017

A practice primer on mental health in older people
NHS England and NHS Improvement have published advice on mental health in older people aimed at general practice teams.

14:15pm, 25 September 2017

Presentation skills e-learning
Whatever your role, or the organisation you work in, effective presentation skills are an important part of your professional portfolio and will help to boost your career.