

NHS NETWORKS weekly news stories:

09:22am, 5 July 2019

[Guidance on hearing loss and joint strategic needs assessment](#)

NHS England has published a data tool and guidance for local authorities and NHS commissioners to ensure that the services for people with hearing loss are included in joint strategic needs assessments (JSNA).

09:21am, 5 July 2019

[Updated guidance on what not to prescribe in primary care](#)

NHS England and NHS Clinical Commissioners have published updated commissioning guidance for CCGs on items that should not be routinely prescribed in primary care.

09:20am, 5 July 2019

[Commissioning standard for urgent dental care](#)

NHS England has published a standard to support the commissioning of consistent patient-centred urgent dental care services that are aligned with other urgent care services.

09:19am, 5 July 2019

[Survey underlines the value of physical activity in children's health](#)

A new survey from Change4Life and Disney UK has found that less than half of parents are aware that physical activity can build children's self-confidence (49%), reduce anxiety (47%) and improve their self-esteem (46%).

09:16am, 5 July 2019

[NHS Improvement publishes patient safety strategy](#)

Patient safety is about maximising the things that go right and minimising the things that go wrong. It is integral to the NHS's definition of quality in health care, alongside effectiveness and patient experience.

09:15am, 5 July 2019

[Childhood vulnerability in England 2019](#)

A report from the children's commissioner examines trends in childhood vulnerability.

13:25pm, 4 July 2019

[Survey of adult carers in England 2018/19](#)

The survey covers informal, unpaid carers aged 18 or over who care for a person aged 18 or over, where the carer has been assessed or reviewed by social services.

13:24pm, 4 July 2019

[Annual progress report on working lives of junior doctors](#)

Health Education England has published the latest annual report from its three year-old programme to improve the working lives of junior doctors.

13:23pm, 4 July 2019

[Eye health experts warn of dangers of smoking to sight](#)

The Association of Optometrists (AOP) is warning that millions of smokers in the UK are putting themselves at increased risk of blindness or sight impairment by continuing with the habit.

13:21pm, 4 July 2019

[How private hospitals use financial incentives to lure doctors](#)

This report looks into how the private hospital sector uses financial incentives to attract NHS consultants to work for them.

13:20pm, 4 July 2019

[Early cancer detection and survival to be prioritised by NHS](#)

Monitoring one-year survival will be central to measuring progress in transforming cancer care, the Department of Health and Social Care says.

13:19pm, 4 July 2019

[Healthwatch report on the role of dementia care reviews](#)

Analysis of data from councils by Healthwatch shows that regular reviews of dementia care are not being carried out, despite evidence that such reviews are an essential part of effective dementia care.

13:17pm, 4 July 2019

[Essential training for commissioners of primary care dental services](#)

When working with limited resources, understanding common contracting scenarios before they occur helps commissioners to understand their options, the actions they need to undertake and the potential impact on the wider commissioning cycle.

13:16pm, 4 July 2019

[LGA reports on social care consultation](#)

The Local Government Association received more than 540 responses to its "green paper" on social care and wellbeing.

13:15pm, 4 July 2019

[RCGP welcomes PCNs but warns against one-size-fits-all approach](#)

The Royal College of General Practitioners has welcomed the official launch of primary care networks, but warns that the policy must reflect the different support needs and rates of development of general practices up and down the country.

13:14pm, 4 July 2019

[Leadership programme targets nursing associates](#)

Seventy newly qualified nursing associates are to be given the opportunity to take part in a new leadership development programme thanks to Health Education England (HEE) and the Florence Nightingale Foundation.

13:13pm, 4 July 2019

[Children's hospices to receive £25m a year](#)

Funding for children's hospices will rise to £25 million a year, NHS England has pledged, more than twice what is currently provided by the hospice grant programme.

13:12pm, 4 July 2019

[England's top midwife warns 'tens of thousands' still smoking during pregnancy](#)

Women who smoke during pregnancy are putting themselves and their baby at risk of serious harm unless they kick the habit, the NHS has warned.

13:11pm, 4 July 2019

[Britain has a bright future if we seize the potential of innovation](#)

Secretary of state for health and social care Matt Hancock spoke about the potential of innovation at the Onward Human Capital launch in London.

13:10pm, 4 July 2019

[1.8m fewer adult smokers in England in 2018](#)

The number of adult cigarette smokers in England has dropped by around 1.8m.

10:26am, 2 July 2019

[Running good meetings more important than ever](#)

Facilitation skills are an asset to any organisation - and they will be in high demand as PCNs find their feet. Clinical directors, practice managers and network managers will all need to know how to run a successful meeting, negotiate and develop relationships.

10:25am, 2 July 2019

[Primary care networks open for business](#)

The 1 July go-live date for primary care networks (PCNs) has come and gone, with NHS England reporting that more than 7000 GP practices - more than 99% - have formed.

10:23am, 2 July 2019

[Personalised care for veterans - guidance for CCGs and councils](#)

NHS England has set out details of a new personalised care approach for those veterans who have a long-term physical, mental or neurological health condition or disability.

10:22am, 2 July 2019

[HEE video aimed at next generation of AHPs](#)

Health Education England has made a half-hour video which it hopes will inspire thousands of children to consider a career in the health service.

10:20am, 2 July 2019

[RCPCH prevention vision for child health](#)

The Royal College of PCH has set out its proposals for improving the health and wellbeing of children and young people in the UK in a paper that anticipates the government's forthcoming green paper on sickness prevention.

10:19am, 2 July 2019

[The real story of winter 2018/19](#)

What was the real story of winter for trusts, their patients, and hard-pressed frontline staff?

13:55pm, 1 July 2019

[NHS England consultation on 'digital first' primary care](#)

This document describes the proposals to reform patient registration, funding and contracting rules to ensure patients have both choice as well as access to integrated care; and to harness the potential of digital providers to help with our workforce shortages in under-doctored and deprived communities.

13:53pm, 1 July 2019

[Advisory council set up to make the most of an ageing society](#)

A new council of specialists from across society, the UK Longevity Council, will advise how best to use innovations in technology, products and services to improve the lives of our ageing population.

13:51pm, 1 July 2019

[Five year plan for MSK health](#)

Public Health England has published a five-year plan to improve musculoskeletal health with an emphasis on prevention.

13:47pm, 1 July 2019

[Whole system transformation - elective care handbooks](#)

The elective care transformation programme has published findings from its rapid testing of actions to transform general surgery, gynaecology and respiratory elective care.

13:41pm, 1 July 2019

[NHS Property Services has made a difference but lacks teeth - NAO report](#)

A report on NHS Property Services Limited by the National Audit Office finds that the company has improved data collection, streamlined contracts and done useful work to identify market rental rates.

13:40pm, 1 July 2019

[NICE guidance on depression in children and young people](#)

This NICE guideline covers identifying and managing depression in children and young people aged 5 to 18 years.

NHS NETWORKS weekly editor's blog entries:

09:19am, 5 July 2019

[Martin Plackard's implementation framework](#)

This week, NHS Blithering's communications supremo Martin Plackard, looks forward to delivering the commitments of the NHS Long Term Plan. But first he has to reassure Sir Trevor Longstay, head of the Blithering STP, that the newly published NHS England Implementation Framework leaves plenty of scope for local determination