

## NHS NETWORKS weekly news stories:

10:45am, 5 June 2020

### [SocialPrescriberPlus - essential training for social prescribing link workers, care coordinators and health coaches](#)

With the additional roles reimbursement scheme now supporting social prescribing link workers, care coordinators and health coaches, practically focused training is essential for these posts to provide effective and efficient support to practices.

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### [COVID-19 Physiotherapy Rehabilitation Guide](#)

The physiotherapy teams at the Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust have produced a physiotherapy guide for the rehabilitation of people suffering from and recovering from COVID-19.

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### [Funding available for new COVID-19 Research Programme](#)

The Health Foundation's new COVID-19 Research Programme is now open for applications funding is prioritised for UK-focused projects that explore how health and social care service delivery has changed in light of COVID-19 and the impact of COVID-19 on health inequalities and the wider determinants of health.

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### [Innovation and inspiration - how providers are responding to coronavirus \(COVID-19\)](#)

Health and care providers from all sectors have shared examples with CQC showing how they have innovated and adapted working practices to respond to the challenges of dealing with coronavirus (COVID-19).

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Meeting the psychological needs of people with learning disabilities and their carers

The British Psychological Society has issued guidance to support health and social care professionals to meet the psychological needs of people with learning and intellectual disabilities, their families and carers.

15:33pm, 4 June 2020

PCC e-learning

PCC e-learning courses allow you to learn in your own time without having to leave your desk or office.

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PCC Insight June 2020

This edition of PCC Insight is written at a time of significant change in the health service, the speed of implementation of change has accelerated considerably and while we know that some of these changes will not be sustainable or indeed desirable longer term, we know some of these innovations will remain.

10:10am, 4 June 2020

UK guidelines for safe return to general dental practice during COVID-19

The Faculty of General Dental Practice (UK) and College of General Dentistry have launched guidelines, Implications of COVID-19 for the safe management of general dental practice - a practical guide.

10:09am, 4 June 2020

[Working in care homes during Covid-19: new training resource](#)

The Royal Pharmaceutical Society has published a training resource to support pharmacists and pharmacy technicians newly deployed to care home settings during the COVID-19 pandemic to deliver safe and effective patient care with confidence.

10:08am, 4 June 2020

[NHS urges trusts to raise awareness around COVID-19](#)

NHS leaders are calling on all hospital trusts and other healthcare providers to ensure additional information and guidance around social distancing, hand hygiene and PPE measures are widely promoted and accessible to staff working at all levels within their organisation.

10:06am, 4 June 2020

[The NHS is here for you and your family - new primary care communications materials](#)

NHS England has added further communications materials to the Campaign Resource Centre to support the public message that the NHS is here for people and their families.

10:53am, 3 June 2020

[GP Standard Operating Procedure published](#)

The latest GP Standard Operating Procedure was published last week.

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[Principles of safe video consulting in general practice during COVID-19](#)

New guidance aimed at NHS general practice staff who are consulting via video with patients at home has been published.

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### COVID-19 - Uplift to pharmacy contractors' payment on 1 June 2020

To mitigate cash flow issues due to COVID-19, in April and May pharmacy contractors received an uplift to their advance payment totalling £300 million.

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### Supporting carers during the COVID-19 pandemic

During the COVID-19 pandemic, pharmacies have had to make necessary changes to their usual ways of working in order to ensure local communities can continue to access their medicines.

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### Appointments in General Practice

The coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic is having major effects on how GP practices manage their workload.

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### How do we secure more effective place-based primary care networks for the long-term?

This paper considers how local partners in health, care and wellbeing services across the UK have responded to the coronavirus pandemic so far.

11:47am, 2 June 2020

### Top NHS doctor issues advice for children going back to school

NHS England's top doctor for children and young people's mental health has urged parents to be alert to signs that children could be experiencing anxiety, distress or low mood as some pupils returned to school yesterday.

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### NHS Volunteer Responders reach 250,000 milestone

To mark Volunteers' Week and in recognition of a milestone quarter of a million tasks having been carried out by NHS Volunteer Responders, Royal Voluntary Service President, The Duchess of Cornwall, has thanked volunteers across the country for the many acts of kindness they provide.

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### CQC publishes data on deaths of people with a learning disability

Supported by the Office of National Statistics the Care Quality Commission has completed a targeted piece of analysis to better understand the impact of coronavirus (COVID-19) on people with a learning disability, some of whom may also be autistic, and how the number of deaths during this period compares to the number of deaths last year.

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### Loneliness, social isolation and Covid-19: practical advice

The Local Government Association, together with the Association of Directors of Public Health, have produced a guide for directors of public health and others leading the response to the loneliness and social isolation issues arising from the Covid-19 pandemic.

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### Mental health conditions and substance use comparison

This data brief examines the mental health burden in the United States compared with 10 other high-income countries (including the United Kingdom) that participate in the Commonwealth Fund's annual international health policy survey.

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### COVID-19: advice for smokers and vapers

Public Health England (PHE) has released advice for smokers and vapers that can be used by healthcare professionals to encourage patients to quit smoking in light of the COVID-19 outbreak.

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### Royal Colleges, charities and health bodies join forces to push for better support for those suffering domestic abuse

The RCGP along with domestic abuse charity Safe Lives has written to health and social care secretary Matt Hancock calling for more support for health and care professionals to identify signs of domestic abuse, and signpost adult and child victims of domestic abuse to appropriate support services.

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### Resumption of dental services

All dental practices can commence opening from Monday 8 June for face to face care, where the necessary infection prevention and control and personal protective equipment requirements are in place.

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### £5 million funding given to mental health community projects

Community projects supporting people with their mental health during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic will benefit from their share of £5 million of additional funding.

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Antibody testing roll out for NHS staff and patients

NHS England and Improvement announced how serology testing will be rolled out to both patients and NHS staff. The antibody testing programme will increase understanding on how the disease spreads. This will work alongside testing which confirms whether or not someone currently has the virus.

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Expert research centre on health inequalities launched

NHS England and the NHS Confederation has confirmed the creation of a new centre to investigate the impact of race and ethnicity on people's health.

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UK reaches 200,000 coronavirus testing capacity

The capacity of NHS and Public Health England labs has more than doubled, over 150 drive through and mobile testing units are in operation, and new innovative testing solutions such as home testing kits and lab-based antibody tests have been introduced.

10:31am, 1 June 2020

NICE recommends treatment for type of small-cell lung cancer

A new treatment option for patients with extensive-stage small-cell lung cancer has been approved by NICE.

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