

NHS NETWORKS weekly news stories:

10:49am, 23 October 2020

[The Confident practice manager programme](#)

The Confident practice manager programme is designed for those who aspire to improve in their leadership role in practice management.

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[Millions of extra flu jabs available to support largest UK vaccination programme](#)

Millions of extra flu vaccines will soon be available to support the most comprehensive flu vaccination programme in the UK's history.

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[NHS encourages children and young people to seek help](#)

England's top children and young people's mental health doctor is encouraging youngsters to seek help if they need it, as NHS Digital's new survey shows there has been a rise in mental health problems in children and young people during the pandemic.

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[Over 13,700 more nurses working in the NHS](#)

The number of nurses in the NHS in England increased by 13,718 compared with last year, and the number of doctors has risen by 7,810, figures to the end of July show.

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[CQC reports on protecting patients from exposure to ionising radiation in healthcare settings](#)

CQC's annual report on how we enforce the Ionising Radiation (Medical Exposure) Regulations has been published.

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[Rising numbers of students taking district nurse specialist practitioner qualification](#)

The Queen's Nursing Institute (QNI) has published its seventh annual report into district nurse education in the United Kingdom, covering the academic year 2018-19.

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[The Confident PCN Manager](#)

Many primary care networks (PCNs) are identifying managers to support the clinical director. The manager needs to ensure governance is right, keep the member practices on board and make links with partner organisations.

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[Do not adjust your set: Britain really is losing its focus](#)

A new campaign, Focus on Life has been launched by the College of Optometrists to address the alarming number of Brits who are living their lives out of focus due to worsening eyesight - with many not even realising they suffer from the problem.

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[Dental practice COVID-19 guidance](#)

The Faculty of General Dental Practice UK and College of General Dentistry have published an updated synopsis of their guidance on the implications of COVID-19 for the safe management of general dental practice.

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[Learning from COVID-19](#)

The Beneficial Changes Network has gathered feedback from thousands of NHS staff to capture and build on the ways in which people and systems have responded to COVID-19.

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[Guidance explains different types of tests and testing kits](#)

The Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency has published information for the public, patients, professionals and industry about COVID-19 tests and testing kits, including how they work, the different types of tests and the specifications manufacturers need to follow.

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[Planning for Self Care Week](#)

This year's Self Care Week - running from Monday 16 to Sunday 22 November - is an opportunity to remind

people how the NHS can help them look after themselves and loved ones and manage their health and wellbeing during the pandemic.

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Becoming a team

Most work is done in teams and whilst systems and processes are important, evidence shows that the key to successful transformation is good team working, where individuals understand and value each other.

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Help with primary care network Directed Enhanced Service medicine reviews: polypharmacy comparators

The NHS BSA Polypharmacy Prescribing Comparators can help primary care networks (PCNs) with the Structured Medication and Medicines Optimisation Service Specification.

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Chief Professions Officers' medicines mechanisms programme

NHS England and NHS Improvement would like to hear your thoughts on proposals for greater flexibility to be given to how dental hygienists, dental therapists, biomedical scientists, clinical scientists, operating department practitioners, podiatrist independent prescribers, physiotherapist independent prescribers,

and paramedics are able to access medicines for their patients.

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[Mental health support for NHS staff](#)

NHS staff will get rapid access to expanded mental health services that are being rolled out across the country.

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[NHS Pharmacy Regulations](#)

New NHS regulations have been laid to introduce changes to the terms of service for community pharmacy contractors.

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[Consultant workforce shortages and solutions](#)

The NHS workforce faces a perfect storm of consultants choosing to retire earlier, a significant proportion approaching retirement age and a growing trend of younger doctors walking away from their career.

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[Influencing skills](#)

Influencing is a vital part of communication in the workplace. Influencing is a combination of persuasion and negotiation - being able to persuade and negotiate with

others to reach a win-win solution. Learning influencing techniques leads to smarter and more effective working.

11:20am, 20 October 2020

Human challenge studies of COVID-19

Experts from the NHS, academia and the private sector are joining forces with the government to explore and establish human challenge trials in the UK to speed up the development of a COVID-19 vaccine.

11:19am, 20 October 2020

Thinking Differently Together

Stakeholders came together in Suffolk and North East Essex integrated care system (ICS) to discuss a variety of perspectives on what being an 'anchor institution' means in practice.

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Engagement on COVID-19

In response to the COVID-19 public health emergency, rapid change was implemented across all levels of the London health and care system.

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Proven solutions for pressing needs

The NHS Innovation Accelerator has launched a COVID-19 response microsite showcasing evidence-based innovations ready to be implemented across the health and social care system.

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[Stories of shielding: life in the pandemic](#)

When lockdown began, Local Voices created a digital platform - Our Covid Voices - for people with health and care needs to share their experiences of the impact of the pandemic.

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[Cost effectiveness analysis](#)

This guidance aims to explain how to use a cost effectiveness analysis to evaluate digital health products.

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[Managing high performing virtual teams](#)

The role of the manager has changed dramatically across the NHS, with over 55% of workers now working from home. This rapid change in team working dynamics is presenting managers with new challenges.

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[Volunteer scheme seeking new members](#)

The NHS Volunteer Responders scheme is recruiting in areas where demand is rising.

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[Community mental health transformation funding](#)

All areas are being allocated funding to expand and transform their community mental health services for adults with severe mental illnesses.

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[Outbreaks and Infection Prevention Control \(IPC\)](#)

A number of COVID-19 outbreaks have recently been reported in General Practices in parts of England.

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[The state of health care and adult social care in England 2019/20](#)

This report looks at the trends, shares examples of good and outstanding care, and highlights where care needs to improve.

10:32am, 19 October 2020

[Learning from two decades of changing NHS care in England](#)

This report looks back at how NHS care in England has changed over the past two decades.

NHS NETWORKS weekly editor's blog entries:

09:08am, 23 October 2020

[Link of the week: National Cholesterol Month](#)

Every month or week of the year seems to be an awareness week, October has more than its fair share.

