

NHS NETWORKS weekly news stories:

10:21am, 9 July 2021

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

With the additional roles reimbursement scheme 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.

10:19am, 9 July 2021

[GP patient survey](#)

NHS England and NHS Improvement with Ipsos MORI published the latest statistics from the GP patient survey.

10:15am, 9 July 2021

[Waits for treatment drop](#)

The number of people waiting longer than 18 and 52 weeks to begin non-urgent treatment has fallen despite record numbers of people attending accident and emergency departments in June, NHS figures reveal.

10:14am, 9 July 2021

[NHS mental health crisis helplines receive three million calls](#)

The dedicated 24/7 NHS mental health crisis helplines were fast-tracked to open a year ago so everyone could get rapid care they need without having to go to accident and emergency departments (A&E).

10:13am, 9 July 2021

[Boosting health through primary care conversations](#)

The National Institute for Health Research (NIHR)'s latest research collection offers advice to staff on how to maximise the impact of

each patient consultations by giving useful lifestyle and mental health advice, for example on obesity and smoking.

10:11am, 9 July 2021

[Blood lead concentrations in children and pregnant women](#)

Lead exposure is especially harmful in young children and the developing foetus. Blood lead concentration is measured to determine recent exposure and alongside clinical evaluation helps to guide clinical and public health actions.

10:17am, 8 July 2021

[Employment law update, including COVID-19 considerations](#)

This workshop supports managers in understanding current employment law including considerations relevant to COVID-19.

10:16am, 8 July 2021

[Pilot to help people exercise more and eat better](#)

Plans for a new pilot to help people exercise more and eat better are being laid out, as the government looks for a partner to help run the scheme.

10:13am, 8 July 2021

[Life sciences vision](#)

The life sciences vision sets 10-year strategy for sector to solve some of the biggest healthcare problems of our generation, including cancer and dementia.

10:10am, 8 July 2021

[Researchers behind Astra-Zeneca jab win award](#)

Research teams at Oxford University who joined forces to fight coronavirus by developing a COVID vaccine in record time are among the winners of this year's NHS Parliamentary Awards, sponsored by Fuji Film.

10:09am, 8 July 2021

[Asymptomatic testing backed by research studies](#)

Research published demonstrates how effective widespread testing has been against emerging variants of concern.

10:07am, 8 July 2021

[Genomic sequencing support to partners across the world](#)

Public Health England (PHE) has announced the first group of countries who will receive genomic sequencing support through the new variant assessment platform (NVAP).

09:58am, 7 July 2021

[Getting ahead for winter planning](#)

PCC and the NHS Confederation PCN Network invite primary care network (PCN) leaders to join this free virtual event to help you to get ahead with winter planning.

09:56am, 7 July 2021

[Health and Care Bill introduced to Parliament](#)

The Health and Care Bill builds on the proposals for legislative change set out by NHS England in its Long Term Plan, while also incorporating valuable lessons learnt from the pandemic that will benefit both staff and patients.

09:54am, 7 July 2021

[Self-isolation to be eased for fully vaccinated adults](#)

As part of step 4 of the Government's COVID-19 roadmap, double vaccinated people will no longer be legally required to self-isolate if they are identified as a close contact of a positive COVID-19 case.

09:52am, 7 July 2021

[COVID-19 impact inquiry report](#)

This report is a review of the factors that fuelled the UK's COVID-19 death toll. It finds working-age adults in England's poorest areas were almost four times more likely to die from COVID-19 than those in the wealthiest areas.

09:49am, 7 July 2021

[Safety of maternity services in England](#)

This report finds that improvements in the safety of maternity services have been too slow. It recommends urgent action to address staffing shortfalls in maternity services, with staffing numbers identified as the first and foremost essential building block in providing safe care.

09:48am, 7 July 2021

[The health of lesbian, gay and bisexual adults in England](#)

A report has been published by NHS Digital on the health outcomes and health behaviours of lesbian, gay and bisexual (LGB) adults.

10:33am, 6 July 2021

[Work effectively across the system](#)

Health professionals are increasingly working with others at a local level to start to take a population health management approach, improve health outcomes and reduce health inequalities. We have extensive experience to support you to develop care models focusing on proactive, personalised interventions to prevent illness and reduce the risk of deterioration for the populations you are responsible for.

10:32am, 6 July 2021

[Consider NHS career](#)

Chief nursing officer Ruth May, NHS national medical director Professor Stephen Powis and Suzanne Rastrick, the NHS's chief

allied health professions officer, have written an open letter urging people to think about joining the "biggest care team in the world".

10:31am, 6 July 2021

[Tackling obesity a whole-system approach](#)

Rates of obesity in England are high and rising, with a strong systemic relationship between obesity and deprivation. Rates are also higher in women than in men, and in some ethnic minority groups compared to the white British group.

10:30am, 6 July 2021

[Record numbers of doctors join NHS specialty training](#)

Data from Health Education England shows record numbers of doctors joining NHS specialty training programmes.

10:29am, 6 July 2021

[Stopping movement of staff between care settings](#)

The Department of Health and Social Care hosted a public consultation on plans to minimise the risk of coronavirus infections by making residential and nursing care home providers restrict the movement of care staff.

13:11pm, 5 July 2021

[Leading positive workplace cultures](#)

The NHS Long Term Plan refers to inclusive and compassionate leadership. Participants will be encouraged to consider how their own behaviour influences the workplace culture and ways they can develop the leadership skills to create and maintain a positive and resilient culture.

13:10pm, 5 July 2021

[TB action plan launched](#)

The national five-year TB action plan details the responsibilities and action needed by the NHS and others to drive down cases and meet the national objective to eliminate TB in England by 2035.

13:09pm, 5 July 2021

[COVID-19: infection prevention and control dental guidance](#)

The guidance is an appendix to and should be read in conjunction with the national guidance on infection prevention and control for COVID-19 .

13:08pm, 5 July 2021

[NHS prescription exemption consultation](#)

The consultation seeks views from the public, healthcare organisations and staff on options for implementing a change in the age at which people in England become eligible for free prescriptions from the current age of 60, to 66 years of age.

13:07pm, 5 July 2021

[£2.45 million to improve childbirth care](#)

The Department of Health and Social Care is awarding the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists almost £2 million to lead the first phase of the avoiding brain injuries in childbirth collaboration.

13:05pm, 5 July 2021

[Hub and spoke dispensing](#)

Proposed legislative changes in the next 12 months or so, if introduced, will enable hub and spoke dispensing between different contractors (different legal entities) and will make hub and spoke dispensing available to all community pharmacies.

NHS NETWORKS weekly editor's blog entries:

15:48pm, 8 July 2021

[Learn from reflection](#)

We are sharing an article by Helen Northall, chief executive, PCC this week on learning from reflection.