

NHS NETWORKS weekly news stories:

11:41am, 22 November 2019

[An insider's guide to PCN funding](#)

Dr Mark Sanford-Wood is one of the negotiating team responsible for the five-year contract settlement for general practice, which has PCNs at its heart.

11:40am, 22 November 2019

[Mental health formula for 2019/20 to 2023/24 revenue allocations](#)

This document describes the person-based resource allocation for mental health model (PRAMH21) that has been developed for the 2019/20 CCG allocations round.

11:38am, 22 November 2019

[Free training to support mental health in schools and colleges](#)

Clinical commissioning groups (CCGs) can now enrol in the Link programme which provides free training for education and mental health professionals to improve joint working on children and young people's mental health.

11:36am, 22 November 2019

[Guide to caring for people with multiple long-term conditions](#)

A guide from the taskforce on multiple conditions showcases ten examples of improving care to the 15 million people in England with multiple long-term conditions.

11:33am, 22 November 2019

[Latest cervical screening figures](#)

NHS Digital has published the latest annual report on cervical screening coverage.

11:31am, 22 November 2019

[Reducing single-use plastics in the NHS](#)

The chief nursing officer Ruth May has called on organisations to sign up to the NHS plastic reduction pledge.

17:00pm, 21 November 2019

[Presentation skills](#)

For many people, the idea of delivering a presentation to colleagues brings up images of standing in front of an audience and summoning up enough courage to speak. Being able to project an air of confidence and hold the room are, of course, key skills for presenters but there's something equally important that needs to take place behind the scenes.

16:59pm, 21 November 2019

[Ethical care: a bold reform agenda for adult social care](#)

A report by the Institute for Public Policy Research identifies the three main drivers of quality in social care and highlights some examples of innovative and high-quality care across England.

16:58pm, 21 November 2019

[The surgeon as an expert witness: a guide to good practice](#)

Guidance from the Royal College of Surgeons sets out the role a surgeon should play when acting as an expert witness in civil, criminal and coroners' cases.

16:56pm, 21 November 2019

[Helping to prevent winter deaths: guide for home care managers](#)

Home care managers need to ensure that care staff can recognise people at risk and that they know how to document and share concerns appropriately.

16:55pm, 21 November 2019

[Dental organisations support World Antibiotic Awareness Week](#)

National dental organisations are supporting World Antibiotic Awareness Week by reminding the dental profession about the importance of using antibiotics judiciously.

15:46pm, 20 November 2019

[Using quality improvement in a primary care network - Newham Central 1](#)

Using learning from the general practice improvement leads programme, Newham Central 1 Primary Care Network looks at how it can achieve its QOF target for safe prescribing.

15:45pm, 20 November 2019

[Sharp decline in district nursing workforce poses threat to patient safety](#)

The UK's district nurse workforce is under severe threat due to long-term underinvestment in training, education and skills, posing a direct threat to patient safety, warn the authors of a new, independent report, commissioned by the Queen's Nursing Institute.

15:43pm, 20 November 2019

[Older people living with dementia and costs of dementia care in the UK 2019-2040](#)

This report, commissioned by Alzheimer's Society, provides projections of the number of older people (aged 65 and over) living with dementia and the costs of health care, social care and unpaid care for older people living with dementia from 2019 to 2040 in the UK.

15:42pm, 20 November 2019

[Help with home adaptations: improving local services](#)

Care and Repair England has published a guide to home adaptation that includes a checklist of possible questions to inform discussions with local providers.

15:40pm, 20 November 2019

[PCN support is also a collaborative business](#)

NHS England has firmed up support arrangements for primary care networks, with the publication of revised guidance for the networks on how to buy the right support.

14:03pm, 19 November 2019

[Influencing skills](#)

This session on 3 December in Birmingham includes top tips to make an instant improvement to the way you communicate and to achieve better outcomes.

14:01pm, 19 November 2019

[Primary Dental Services Statements of Financial Entitlements \(Amendment\) Directions 2019](#)

The changes implemented in the directions for 2019 relate to implementation of the 2019 to 2020 pay and expenses and training allowances settlement for dentists and insertion of the applicable up-to-date statutory maternity allowance (SMA) rate.

14:00pm, 19 November 2019

[Prescribing costs for 2018/19](#)

NHS Digital has published information on the estimated costs at list price of medicines used in hospitals and prescribed in primary care in 2018/19.

13:58pm, 19 November 2019

[New project to boost understanding of community nursing workforce](#)

The Queen's Nursing Institute has launched a new international community nursing observatory (ICNO).

13:55pm, 19 November 2019

[EPS Phase 4 rollout begins with TPP SystemOne GP system](#)

From this week, EPS Phase 4 will be rolled out to more GP practices using the TPP SystemOne GP system.

11:47am, 18 November 2019

[An insider's guide to procurement for primary care providers](#)

Understanding procurement and how to prepare a bid are critical to the future of primary care providers - such as general medical and dental practices. More and more services are subject to a procurement process, rather than being simply directly awarded by commissioners.

11:46am, 18 November 2019

[Life expectancy going into reverse](#)

An analysis of mortality data by charity the Health Foundation explores the reasons behind stalling life expectancy improvements in the UK and uncovers a trend of a rising number of avoidable deaths among the under 50s.

11:45am, 18 November 2019

[Number of people with obesity almost doubles in 20 years](#)

The number of people who are obese in England has almost doubled in the last 20 years, according to new analysis from Diabetes UK.

11:43am, 18 November 2019

[Dental commissioning statistics, England - September 2019](#)

These statistics show the volume of units of dental activity (UDAs) commissioned by the 14 NHS England local offices as at the end of September 2019, for the next 12 months.

11:40am, 18 November 2019

[Report on the financial crisis in residential and nursing homes](#)

A report from the Centre for Health and Public Interest (CHPI) identifies where each pound that goes into the care home industry ends up, by using a forensic study of the accounts of more than 830 adult care home companies, including the 26 largest providers.

11:38am, 18 November 2019

[The outlook for councils' funding: is austerity over?](#)

A growing elderly population, increases in the number of disabled adults, and increases in wage and other costs, mean that English councils will likely need billions in extra funding over the next parliament if they are to meet the rising costs of providing adult social care. That will be required just to maintain services at current levels.

NHS NETWORKS weekly editor's blog entries:

14:05pm, 21 November 2019

[New outfit more splendidly integrated than ever](#)

The emperor has announced plans for yet another new outfit, amid claims that this one will be even more splendid than the last.