



## Weekly News Digest - 4th July 2024

### [Community Pharmacy Assurance Framework \(CPAF\) 2024/25](#)

The mandatory 2024/25 CPAF screening questionnaire is now open for submissions on MYS and must be completed by **31st July 2024**. For reference, a copy of the 10 questions is available to view prior to submission - [click here](#).

### [Frimley DPP Training Funding](#)

Frimley ICB (which covers East Berkshire) are offering backfill funding of up to £750 to support the training of Designated Prescribing Practitioners (DPPs) within Frimley. For more information [click here](#).

### [Contraception Formulary](#)

BOB ICB have updated and aligned the Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire West formularies for hormonal contraceptives. If offering the Contraception service please ensure you check your local formulary for any relevant updates - [click here](#).

### [Dermatitis Training](#)

Your Virtual Outcomes online training suite now includes a module on contact dermatitis, along with a host of other community pharmacy specific material. These resources have been funded by the LPC and are available free to all Thames Valley community pharmacies. To access, enter your ODS Code (F Code) [here](#).

### [Diabetes CPD and Information Prescription resources](#)

Diabetes UK have released an Understanding Diabetes CPD module with advice on effectively supporting people living with or at risk of diabetes; as well as Information Prescriptions which are designed to help prevent diabetes health complications. Whilst primarily practice-focussed, the PDFs may be useful in pharmacy for services such as Hypertension Case Finding and Contraception. [Click here](#).

### [Frimley Prescribing Newsletter](#)

The June edition of the Frimley prescribing newsletter, which provides medicines management updates, as well as details of training and events, is now available – [click here](#).

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## Training & Events

### [Via Working Together Webinar](#)

**19.00, 11th July 2024 - online**

Via would like to invite all pharmacists, technicians, pharmacy assistants and locums involved in providing substance misuse services (Supervised Consumption, Needle Exchange and/or Take-Home Naloxone) in West Berkshire, to join a "Working Together Webinar". Please RSVP with your name, pharmacy and contact details to [Jon.Nicholas@viaorg.uk](mailto:Jon.Nicholas@viaorg.uk).

### [Polypharmacy Training](#)

### **12.00-13.30 on 11th July, 12th or 26th September 2024**

Health Innovation Network (formerly OAHSN) are running this 1.5hr webinar on polypharmacy for healthcare professionals on reducing the risk of harm from medicines. For more details and to register [click here](#).

### **[Valproate \(CPPE Pilot\)](#)**

**19.00-20.45 on 18th July 2024**

Join and provide feedback on this CPPE Pilot entitled - Valproate: the hard conversations, which will help develop your skills and confidence in using a person-centred approach to help manage the risks associated with valproate. To find out more and book [click here](#).

### **[CPPE Community Pharmacy Technician: Advancing your Role information webinar](#)**

**13.00-13.45 on 18th July 2024**

CPPE's Community Pharmacy Technician: Advancing your Role is a fully funded learning programme designed to help community pharmacy technicians develop the skills and confidence to support the delivery of effective clinical services in community pharmacy. This live webinar will provide more information and answer any questions on the programme. [Click here](#).

### **[CPE Pharmacy Owner Event](#)**

**19.30-21.00 (buffet from 18.45), 24th July 2024 - Crowne Plaza Gatwick Airport, RH11 7SX**

CPE are holding a series of regional roadshow events across the country. The South East event will be held at the Crowne Plaza Gatwick. This is an opportunity to hear from CPE Chief Executive, Janet Morrison, her team, and members of the CPE Committee Members about what CPE are doing to help ease the critical pressures community pharmacies are facing, and to ask questions of Janet and the team. [Click here](#).

### **[Pharmacy Show 2024](#)**

**9am – 6pm, 13th October 2024 or 9am-4.30pm on 14th October 2024**

The Pharmacy Show champions the sector and invites all pharmacy professionals to come together for a host of education and networking opportunities. Pharmacists and pharmacy staff are entitled to a free ticket. For more details [click here](#).

### **[Pharmacy First: Clinical Assessment and Examination Skills](#)**

**Full day workshop, 10th November 2024, Holiday Inn Reading South, RG2 0SL**

This CPPE full day in-person workshop has been designed to support pharmacists to develop the knowledge, skills and confidence needed to undertake effective consultations, communications and clinical assessments in order to provide the NHS Pharmacy First service, including ENT and otoscope skills. Booking opens mid-July. For more details [click here](#).

### **[CPPE Common Conditions E-Learning](#)**

Pharmacists delivering the Pharmacy First service may benefit from a new CPPE common clinical conditions e-learning programme. It covers a range of common clinical conditions and minor ailments that may present themselves in community pharmacy and contains practical tips and advice on how to identify and manage them. [Click here](#).

### **[CPPE Workshops](#)**

The CPPE Workshop calendar for July to September 2024 has been released. This includes topics such as: Community pharmacy technician advancing your role reflective practice, NHS Pharmacy First: Clinical assessment – essential skills, Optimising adherence to medicines in asthma, Supporting people living with dementia, Atrial Fibrillation: improve detection and person-centred care, and COPD. For a full calendar and booking links, [click here](#).

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