



## Weekly News Digest - 11th July 2024

### [Flu Vaccination PGD & National Protocol](#)

The PGD for the 2024/25 flu vaccination service has been approved by NHS England, and will enable pharmacy technicians to provide flu vaccinations this coming season. This follows the publication of the national protocol by UKHSA and the recent change in legislation to permit pharmacy technicians to supply and administer medicines under PGDs. The flu service specification has also been updated to account for the Sanofi recombinant quadrivalent influenza vaccine (QIVr) not being available for the 2024/25 season. [Click here](#).

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

The mandatory 2024/25 CPAF screening questionnaire is 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](#).

### [BOB Medicines Optimisation Bulletin \(BOB MOB\)](#)

The July BOB newsletter, which provides National and System updates, as well as events news and training resources, is now available – [click here](#).

### [SPS Spotlight Monthly Digest - June Edition](#)

The SPS Spotlight Monthly Digest provides updates on existing materials and activities from across SPS, and signposts to upcoming events and activities. It includes resources to support healthcare professionals working in all areas of the health system and gathers activity from across SPS groups including: Medicines Advice, Medicines Use and Safety, Quality Assurance, and Medicines Procurement. [Click here](#).

### [Oxfordshire Public Health Team Newsletter](#)

The Summer 2024 edition of the Oxfordshire Public Health newsletter, which includes details of public health campaigns and project updates, is now available to view - [click here](#).

### [Pharmacy Technician Career Development Research](#)

The University of Bath are looking for pharmacy technicians, pharmacists and employers of pharmacy technicians to participate in focus groups to help inform the development of a UK post-registration pharmacy technician career pathway. [Click here](#).

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## Training & Events

### [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](#).

### **[Polypharmacy Training](#)**

**12.00-13.30 on 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](#).

### **[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 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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