



COMMUNITY PHARMACY LANARKSHIRE NEWSLETTER MAY 2024 EDITION



NEWS/OPPORTUNITIES

RPS core portfolio- Are you interested in completing the RPS Core Advanced Portfolio but are not sure where to start? I have attached a “getting started guide” with this newsletter (and uploaded to CP Lan website), to help you to get started with RPS ePortfolio guidance. Special thanks to Lloyd Kennet, Kirsty Gilfillan and Lucy Reilly for developing this document.

Independent Prescribing Funding- Funding for courses starting next year (2025) have not yet been allocated to boards. Funding for courses starting the remainder of this year 2024 have already been allocated. If any funding does become available I will email all community pharmacy clinical mailboxes, advertise via this newsletter, and advertise on Community Pharmacy Lanarkshire Website and you will be given time to apply. Thank you.

Waste audit Pharmacies will be aware that the waste management team are no longer completing waste audits on their behalf, and pharmacies are being asked to complete waste audits themselves. To help support pharmacies, a supporting document has been produced, attached to this email. The waste management team have also circulated a range of dates for when your waste audit is due. For any further questions please email: waste.management@lanarkshire.scot.nhs.uk

LETS CELEBRATE:



GOOD NEWS STORIES



EAR Presentations Education Session- This month we had a fantastic lunch and learn session online around EAR Presentations for our community pharmacy independent prescribers. This education session was delivered by Dr Matthew Wickham, and was well attended and supported by the network. Many thanks for those of you who supported.

If you missed this session and would like access to view the recording, please contact :

lauren.gibson@lanarkshire.scot.nhs.uk. If you are not a prescriber, be mindful that this presentation content is designed for prescribers.

Please let me know any other education session you feel would be interesting and relevant to your practice, including for non-prescribers, and we will do our best to accommodate this.

PHARMACY FIRST UPDATES

Updated Pharmacy First PGDs for Aciclovir & Flucloxacillin have now been signed off by NHS Lanarkshire governance teams & released for your sign off - we appreciate your patience with this- if you could please ensure you read and review these updates and if content please sign on page 20 and return this to pharmacy.admin@lanarkshire.scot.nhs.uk

Can you please ensure this is shared to all pharmacists in your store, including locums- This will be uploaded to CP Lanarkshire website in due course, thank you.

PHARMACY FIRST PLUS + UPDATES

Clinical Portal Access is due to launch soon in 6 pilot sites within Lanarkshire initially, and rolled out wider once the pilot has proven successful. This access will be for independent prescribers only at this stage to support the delivery of pharmacy first plus.

Teach & Treat Hubs – We are looking to build our network of teach and treat hubs within NHS Lanarkshire, to support the next wave of new prescribers within community pharmacy. If you would like your site to become a teach and treat site, please contact lauren.gibson@lanarkshire.scot.nhs.uk.

DPPs – We are interested to know how many of our community pharmacy IPs would be ready and willing to become a DPP for future trainees. If this would be of interest, or you are already a community pharmacist DPP please contact lauren.gibson@lanarkshire.scot.nhs.uk.

SHORTAGES UPDATE

Weekly updates on up to date shortages information are now cascaded every Friday to community pharmacies. We hope this is helpful.

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