

**Community
Pharmacy
Leicestershire
& Rutland**

REGIONAL & LOCAL NEWS

**SAVE THE DATE
AGM 24th Sept
2024
7:30-9:30pm
online**

**Our theme will be
'Survival Instinct'**

**Guest Speakers:
Dr Leyla Hannbeck
CEO, IPA
Paul Rees CEO, NPA**



Annual General Meeting

We are delighted to announce the date of the Community Pharmacy Leicestershire and Rutland **Annual General Meeting** for 2024.

This year our AGM will be held online (link to TBA) and will take place on **Tuesday 24th Sept 2024 at 7:30-9:30pm.**

We are also thrilled to announce that we will be joined by our guest speakers, **Dr Leyla Hannbeck, Chief Executive of Independent Pharmacies Association (IPA)**, formerly known as **AiMp** and **Paul Rees MBE and Chief Executive of NPA.**

Over the past 12 months there have been huge changes across the community pharmacy sector. Far too many community pharmacies, not just across the LLR region, but England are struggling due to a number of factors including higher costs, insufficient funding and medicines supply issues.

That is why this year our AGM theme will be **'Survival Instinct'.**

Save the date !!



Committee Member Videos available now to watch !

We want to show you what we as a committee do on behalf of all LLR contractors and community pharmacies. Every week we are adding weekly committee member videos, showcasing how they support LLR contractors and the committee work they are involved in. To watch the videos please click the button below.

**WATCH VIDEOS
NOW**



Contraception Service Webinar 11th July 2024

NHS England Midlands Region will be hosting another Oral Contraception Service Webinar to support Pharmacy Teams with delivery of the Contraception Service. The webinar will be on [Thursday 11th July 7-8pm via Teams](#). Click on the button below to register and save your place!

**REGISTER
NOW**



Update - Public consultation on the proposal to stop providing NHS prescriptions for gluten-free products.

I previously mentioned the Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland ICB's six-week public consultation on stopping gluten-free prescriptions. Delayed by the General Election, it will now run from Monday 15 July to Sunday 25 August 2024. If you have any further questions, please contact us on llr.bec@nhs.net or 0116 295 7532.

Enhanced Community Pharmacy Service for the Supply of on Demand Palliative Care and Other Specialist Medication in Leicester, Leicestershire & Rutland

Please be informed that the tender for the Enhanced Community Pharmacy Service for the Supply of on Demand Palliative Care and Other Specialist Medication procurement is now live and open for providers registration.

The tender is advertised on the Find a Tender service, please see hereafter link to the advert [Enhanced Community Pharmacy Service for the Supply of on Demand Palliative Care and Other Specialist Medication](#)).



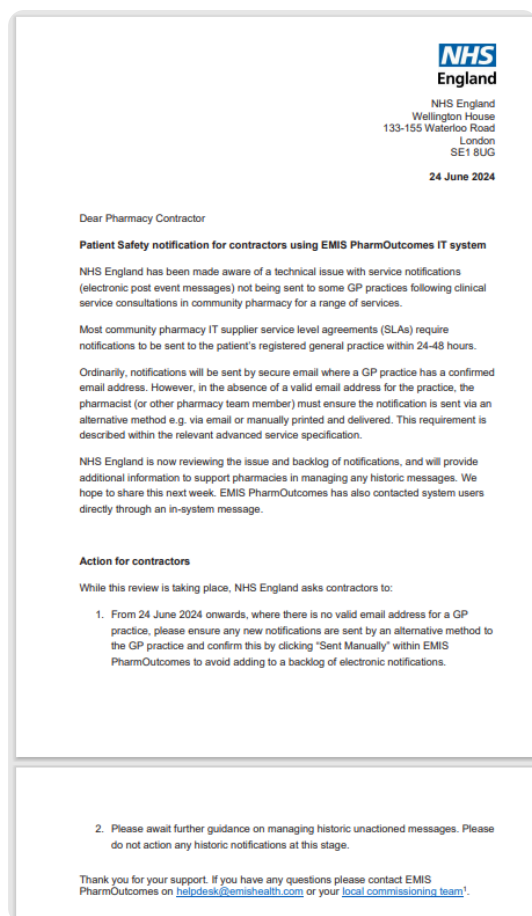
**New Controlled Drugs Liaison Officer (CDLO) covering the areas of
Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland.**

Hi all, my name is PC 1906 James Stevens of the Leicestershire Police and I'm your new Controlled Drugs Liaison Officer (CDLO) covering the areas of Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland.

A bit about me, I have been a police officer since 2002 and have worked on various teams including frontline response, covert teams, drug teams (illegal not controlled!), public order teams, neighbourhood teams, investigations and managing high risk and high profile offenders who have committed an array of offences from car crime, to murderers and sex offenders, and everything in between as well as just coming off a 5 year stint in the Youth Offending Teams. My aim is to be accessible to you all in keeping the management of controlled drugs safe and secure and preventing any potential offences, through sharing information and working together.

I can also assist with inspecting pharmacies, CD cabinets, CD registers and everyone's favourite.... destructions

Please feel free to contact me via e-mail if required if you have any issues or questions – james.stevens@leics.police.uk



New!

Patient safety and community pharmacy contractors using EMIS PharmOutcomes IT System

Last week a national comms was sent with regards to patient safety and community pharmacy contractors using EMIS PharmOutcomes IT System.

The letter relates to a technical issue with service notifications (electronic post event messages) not being sent to some GP practices following clinical service consultations in community pharmacy for a range of services.

Within the letter there are actions for contractors. If you have any questions please contact EMIS PharmOutcomes on

helpdesk@emishealth.com or your local commissioning team
england.eastmidsparmacy@nhs.net

July 2024 DEADLINE TRACKER

Please see the link for this months deadline tracker [HERE and previous trackers.](#)

Monthly Deadline Tracker

To help keep pharmacy teams on track with monthly tasks, quality payments and to meet local and national deadlines. View the latest monthly Community Pharmacy Deadline Tracker here.

[Read More](#)

FREE PHARMACY FIRST SUPPORT VISITS AVAILABLE

Exciting News! Gareth, our Service Development Facilitator for Community Pharmacy in Leicestershire and Rutland, continues to be available every Friday to support LLR contractors and pharmacies in implementing and embedding the service.

Take advantage of Gareth's expertise every Friday as he visits your pharmacy to assist with Pharmacy First. Whether you need questions answered, support for your team, access to essential materials, or help with any issues, Gareth is here for you.

Want Gareth to visit your pharmacy? Email him directly at:

service.support@leics-lpc.co.uk

For regional resources and support, click [HERE](#)



COMMUNITY PHARMACY OPEN HOUSE SURGERY

TELL US WHATS IMPORTANT TO YOU

**3RD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH
8PM**



Join on your computer, mobile app or room
device

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 324 095 245 307

Passcode: QatQFJ

OPEN TO ALL
PHARMACISTS

&

PHARMACY TEAM MEMBERS

Community Pharmacy Open House Surgery.

On the third Wednesday of each month, Rajshri, the Chief Officer at Community Pharmacy Leicestershire and Rutland, invites all LLR Contractors, Pharmacists, and Pharmacy Team members to join her and her team for an open house meeting.

To access previous meetings, please [click here](#)

This event provides an opportunity to address important matters and discuss both regional and national issues directly with her and her administrative team. Additionally, Rajshri will provide updates on the workstreams that she and her team are focusing on across LLR ICB and ICS.

We encourage attendance from Pharmacists, Area Managers, Pharmacy Team members, and Superintendents.

The next meeting is scheduled for July 17, 2024, at 8 PM.

The agenda will include introducing a new inhaler pilot and prescription switching programme by LLR ICB and regional news updates.

[Click here to join the meeting](#)



Website updates

We have added new items to our website, including further information on [Pharmacy First](#).

Prescription Preview

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28/01/2016 Test
Corporate Offices, Bridge Park Plaza
Bridge Park Road, Thurmaston
Leicester LE4 8PQ

Methylphenidate 36mg modified-release tablets CD
take one each morning
30 (thirty) tablet

Provide a brand in following order of preference: [1]
patient's usual brand [2] Affenid XL [3] Xaggitin XL
[4] Xenidate XL [5] Matoride XL [6] Delmosart XL

1 item on this prescription

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New!

LPT Generic prescribing of 12-hour methylphenidate slow release tablets

We've coordinated with Leicestershire Partnership Trust (LPT) for months to help LLR community pharmacies get ADHD medicine stock.

Contractors have asked about prescribing these medicines generically due to supply issues with bio-equivalent 12-hour methylphenidate slow-release tablets. We've addressed these concerns with LPT and ICS.

Thank you for your patience. Due to supply uncertainties, LPT will now prescribe these tablets generically, effective from **12th June 2024**. This short-term arrangement will be reviewed in a few months. Note: This applies only to 12-hour slow-release methylphenidate tablets. Medikinet XL, Equasym XL, Myterol XL, and Meflynate XL will still be brand prescribed. Scripts will include a note for guidance. Contact the prescriber if unsure.

NATIONAL NEWS



Update to Annual Flu Letter on vaccine availability

The Department of Health and Social Care, NHS England and the UK Health Security Agency have issued a statement of amendment to the Annual Flu letter.

This has been issued, following the news from Sanofi that recombinant quadrivalent influenza vaccine (QIVr) will not be available for this year's flu vaccination programme.

The amendments to the Annual Flu letter include a new flu vaccine which can be used for the first time – high-dose quadrivalent influenza vaccine (QIV-HD) – which is only licensed for those aged 60 years and over.

For further information or to access and read the statement click [HERE](#).

PHARMACY OWNER EVENTS

Come and meet Community Pharmacy England

EAST AND NORTH MIDLANDS



**Crowne Plaza
Nottingham**



9th July



7:30 PM

Register now

*Bookings will close on 2nd July, unless
we reach maximum numbers earlier.*



For events in other regions,
please visit cpe.org.uk/events



**Community
Pharmacy
England**

Come and meet Community Pharmacy England

Pharmacy owners across the East and North Midlands are invited to meet the Community Pharmacy England team to discuss the issues that matter to you.

Chief Executive Janet Morrison and her team are heading to Nottingham on the evening of **Tuesday 9th July** to talk directly to local pharmacy owners. Community Pharmacy England's regional roadshow will outline all of the work they are doing to ease pharmacy pressures and give you the chance to share your views.

Please join Community Pharmacy England on 9th July to have your say.

[Book your place](#)



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