NHS NETWORKS weekly news stories:

10:24am, 14 May 2021

Finance for partners in general medical practices

All general medical practice partners, and those considering partnership, should understand financial management and the monetary implications of being a partner.

10:23am, 14 May 2021

Restoration of general practice services

Guidance on the phased easing of Covid-19 restrictions continues to be issued by government, in line with the Coronavirus roadmap out of lockdown.

10:20am, 14 May 2021

The future role of remote consultations & patient 'triage'

A key challenge for UK governments and health systems will be to build upon the potential benefits that have emerged from technology advances and new ways of working during the Covid-19 pandemic, while ensuring that relational care and health inequalities do not suffer in the longer term.

10:18am, 14 May 2021

Social media graphics - dental access

New social media image cards with accompanying post copy can be downloaded from Public Health England's Campaign Resource Centre.

10:15am, 14 May 2021

Child mortality and social deprivation

This report, which is based on data for children who died between April 2019 and March 2020 in England, finds a clear association between the risk of child death and the level of deprivation (for all categories of death except cancer).

10:12am, 14 May 2021

NHS's £160 million 'accelerator sites' to tackle waiting lists

The NHS has announced a £160 million initiative to tackle waiting lists and develop a blueprint for elective recovery as early reports show the health service is recovering faster after the second wave of the coronavirus pandemic.

10:06am, 14 May 2021

New interim deputy chief medical officer for England

The Department of Health and Social Care has confirmed that Dr Thomas Waite has been appointed as interim deputy chief medical officer for England.

10:41am, 13 May 2021

SocialPrescriberPlus - essential training for social prescribing link workers, care coordinators and health coaches

With the additional roles reimbursement scheme supporting social prescribing link workers, care coordinators and health coaches, practically focused training is essential for these posts to provide effective and efficient support to practices.

10:39am, 13 May 2021

Launch of UK's emergency services cycling club

The UK's first cycling club for the emergency services has been launched, representatives of all the services and armed forces attended with the national press covering the event.

10:36am, 13 May 2021

Declaring a climate emergency in primary care

A new free guide for primary care is available showing what declaring a climate emergency in primary care means.

10:34am, 13 May 2021

NHS marks International Nurses Day

NHS chief Sir Simon Stevens praised the 'extraordinary' response of nurses and healthcare workers to COVID as the so-called 'Nightingale effect' sees thousands of new NHS recruits mark their first International Nurses Day.

10:32am, 13 May 2021

NHS dentistry and oral health bulletin

The latest edition of the NHS dentistry and oral health bulletin has been published, in which chief dental officer Sara Hurley and Peter Johnson, NHS England's national clinical director for cancer, bring together useful resources and advice for dental professionals on mouth cancer.

10:29am, 13 May 2021

Community pharmacy workforce survey

The community pharmacy workforce survey (CPWS) 2021 has been launched by Health Education England.

09:17am, 12 May 2021

The Confident PCN Leader

The challenges for primary care network (PCN) leaders have been immense in the last year, and are not decreasing.

09:15am, 12 May 2021

We offer testing to our staff scheme

A new scheme includes stickers for businesses offering workplace testing for staff through NHS Test and Trace.

09:14am, 12 May 2021

Multilingual versions of pulse oximetry patient video

An NHS video showing people how to use a pulse oximeter at home is now available in multiple languages, including 11 of the other most commonly spoken languages in England.

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Clinical prioritisation of diagnostic waiting lists

NHS England has published a letter which explains what is required for the clinical prioritisation of endoscopy and diagnostic waiting lists.

09:11am, 12 May 2021

Restoring primary care: ten key priorities

Dramatically rising demand combined with increased public expectation and more complex health needs are putting significant pressure on primary care delivery.

09:09am, 12 May 2021

Implementing digital innovations

Digital health innovations are often seen as 'ready-made' solutions to challenges facing health and care systems but despite their potential, implementing these technologies can be complex.

10:17am, 11 May 2021

Medical contracting your questions answered

This advice session, for PCC annual contract holders only is led by our expert advisers and will be delivered via Microsoft Teams.

10:12am, 11 May 2021

More restrictions eased for care homes

From Monday 17 May care home residents will be able to have more named visitors and more opportunities to make visits out with no need to self-isolate when they return.

10:11am, 11 May 2021

COVID-19 vaccines: evidence of success

Public Health England (PHE) analysis shows for the first time that individuals who receive a single dose of the AstraZeneca vaccine have approximately 80% lower risk of death with COVID-19 compared with unvaccinated individuals.

10:09am, 11 May 2021

Forty years of research

The College of Optometrists has published a report reflecting on the history and impact of its research work and funding.

10:07am, 11 May 2021

Answering questions about video consultations

This guidance has been updated to help you answer patients' most common questions about video consultations in secondary care. Providers should adapt responses to align with their local platform provision.

10:00am, 11 May 2021

Mental health: should we be worried?

This report provides an overview of the public's mental health and how it is affecting people's lives.

10:27am, 10 May 2021

Turning conflict into collaboration

Differences of opinion, interpretation and values can lay the foundations of misunderstanding, confrontation and conflict, in single organisations and working across systems. As more cross-organisation and cross-sector working develops under the integrated care agenda, the circumstances for conflict to arise increase.

10:26am, 10 May 2021

Second dose milestone as one third of adults in England receive both jabs

The NHS in England has confirmed that one third of adults in England have now had both doses of the COVID-19 vaccine.

10:24am, 10 May 2021

Drug halves the risk of cancer returning

A world-leading treatment that halves the risk of lung cancer patients suffering a return of the disease after undergoing treatment, is to be rolled out by NHS England.

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Mental health support at school

More than a million children and young people will have access to mental health support at school, as the NHS rapidly expands services to help deal with the huge disruption caused by coronavirus and lockdown

10:22am, 10 May 2021

Immunisation and vaccination changes for 2021/22

This letter confirms changes to routine immunisation and vaccination in general practice for this year and provides guidance on new standards and requirements.

10:21am, 10 May 2021

Racism and discrimination: the experience of primary care professionals

This report highlights discrimination faced by staff and patients from ethnic minority backgrounds in general practice, in the Humberside region.