

NHS NETWORKS weekly news stories:

09:49am, 26 February 2021

[Heart failure: a call to action](#)

In 2016 the All Party Parliamentary Group on Heart Disease published Focus on Heart Failure, which made recommendations to improve care and transform lives. Four years on, with heart failure featuring prominently in the NHS long-term plan and a growing number of regional NHS plans, this report looks at the progress that has been made on the APPG's recommendations and evaluates what further action needs to be taken.

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[The future of adult social care](#)

This report argues that a new blueprint for delivering social care in England could help tens of thousands of adults each year who need care and support to live more independent lives - if councils are given the ability to reshape services through the government's long-awaited reforms.

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[Physical activity - addressing inequalities](#)

This guidance can be used by local level practitioners and commissioners to begin tackling inequalities in physical activity across and within protected characteristic groups.

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[Standards for inpatient diabetes care](#)

This NHS England letter highlights clinical standards and adjustments to standard approaches for inpatient diabetes care needed in response to COVID-19.

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Stay at home

Everyone across the UK is being reminded of the importance of staying at home and the risks in relaxing their behaviour at this crucial point, in a new advertising campaign.

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Support for PCN leaders

The challenges for primary care networks (PCNs) has been immense in the last year and are not decreasing.

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Implementing the additional roles recruitment scheme

PCC is supporting PCNs to effectively utilise, integrate and embed the additional roles reimbursement scheme (ARRS) roles.

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Finding your feet in general practice

Every primary care network (PCN) is appointing new professionals to work in general practice through the additional roles reimbursement scheme (ARRS). There has never been a time when it is more essential that these new professionals, many of whom may not have worked in general practice before, hit the ground running.

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Supporting CCGs to address vaccine inequalities

NHS England has published a letter which outlines support for CCGs to address vaccine inequalities.

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[Partner with community venues to deliver temporary vaccination clinics](#)

NHS England has written to colleagues working across commissioning, public health and primary care about further opportunities to reach out to communities with lower uptake levels by operating temporary vaccination clinics in community venues.

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[JCVI advice - inviting those on the learning disability for Covid vaccine](#)

The Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation (JCVI) has advised the government to invite all people on the GP Learning Disability Register for COVID-19 vaccination.

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[Prescription charge to rise](#)

The NHS prescription charge will increase to £9.35 per prescription item from 1st April 2021.

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[The health of people from ethnic minority groups in England](#)

This explainer examines the differences in health outcomes for ethnic minority groups, highlighting the variation across groups and conditions, and considers what's needed to reduce health inequalities.

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[The stress-resistant manager: building your resilience](#)

Most of us will suffer work-related stress, especially at the current time - and the problem is most acute for public sector staff, particularly those in the NHS.

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[COVID-19 vaccination enhanced service](#)

Updates have been made to the enhanced service for the COVID-19 vaccination programme 2020/21.

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[Supporting care homes with pulse oximetry](#)

NHS England is working with care homes to ensure they feel supported to provide oximetry to residents who have been diagnosed with coronavirus.

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[Integrated care systems in London: challenges and opportunities](#)

Commissioned by the Greater London Authority, this report looks at how the five integrated care systems (ICSs) in London were developing before Covid-19 and how this has changed as a result of the response to the pandemic.

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[Vaping better than nicotine replacement therapy for stopping smoking](#)

As the number of vapers in England plateaus, incorrect perceptions of its relative risks compared to smoking may be discouraging smokers from using vaping to quit.

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[Fewer than 1 in 5 university students had COVID-19 by end of autumn term](#)

A study conducted by Public Health England (PHE) estimates that 17.8% of university students in England had COVID-19 antibodies.

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[NHS gives women Human Papillomavirus Virus \(HPV\) home testing kits to cut cancer deaths](#)

More than 31,000 women will be offered kits to carry out smear tests in the privacy and convenience of their own homes in a trial.

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[Free sessions launched to support mental health and wellbeing of health and social care workforce](#)

Performing Medicine, specialist in arts-based healthcare training and research, has launched a series of free virtual sessions available throughout February and March for the health and social care workforce.

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[Premises surgery](#)

This surgery advice session, led by our expert advisers, is for our annual contact holders only.

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[COVID-19 vaccination - supporting people with a learning disability and autistic people](#)

These documents provide top tips on communicating with people with a learning disability and autistic people and highlight the range of reasonable adjustments that should be considered to ensure that a vaccination appointment goes well.

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[UK data shows Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine provides high levels of protection from the first dose](#)

Data analysed by Public Health England (PHE) shows the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine provides high levels of protection against infection and symptomatic disease from the first dose.

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Home delivery of medicines

This letter and service specification detail arrangements for continuing the home delivery of medicines and appliances to clinically extremely vulnerable people until 31 March.

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Perinatal care - trauma-informed care guide

This good practice guide to implementing trauma-informed care during the perinatal period will support all clinical and non-clinical staff working with perinatal women in maternity and mental health services.

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Building the resilience of the health and care system

A year into the pandemic and with the benefit of some hindsight, this report argues that too little consideration was given to the implications of a complete reallocation of resources away from 'business as usual'.

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Dealing with difficult situations - courageous conversations

Sometimes in the workplace we find ourselves in difficult situations with people who appear resistant to what we are trying to do or even hostile. These situations can have a negative impact on our resilience and self-esteem, especially if we feel we did not handle them well.

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The vaccination programme - Cohort 6

NHS England has published a letter that details the additional steps being taken to support the vaccination of adult carers and individuals added to the shielded patient list as a result of the COVID-19 Population Risk Assessment (QCovid®).

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Mental health support for staff

The NHS is supporting staff who have pushed their minds and bodies to the limit over the last year to look after their mental health.

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Psychological First Aid training

The online training, developed by Public Health England, is now available for those supporting children and young people affected by coronavirus (COVID-19).

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Supporting the LGBTQ+ population

For the LGBTQ+ population to recover and thrive after the pandemic, the way services are designed and delivered, and the workforce environments they are delivered in, must change.

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Campaign to support vaccine roll-out

British institutions the Premier League and the Beano, much loved author, artist and illustrator Charlie Mackesy, and social media platforms Facebook and Instagram are backing a new nationwide social media campaign launched by government and the NHS for people to show their support for the vaccine roll-out.
