

LPC Update 13 April

Easter opening hours poster

Ensure this [poster](#) is displayed so it can be seen by the public when your pharmacy is closed.

Palliative care

Please display this [poster](#) in a staff area which will help you with sign posting at the point of being unable to supply medicines or receiving a query from a member of the public. The Easter opening hours for the palliative care pharmacies will be available on the [CCG website](#).

Stop smoking service

If you intend to sign up to the [NHS Advanced Stop Smoking Service](#) you may wish to access the level two smoking cessation training offered locally by Everyone Health. You can see details of upcoming sessions and book your place [here](#).

APPG event – Pharmacy, the front door to the NHS

The All-Party Pharmacy Group is hosting a virtual [event](#) on Wednesday 20 April at 5pm. We would encourage everyone to invite their MP to the event, use this [link](#) and enter your name and postcode. An invite will automatically be sent to your MP.

The LPC has also written to all local MPs to explain the current pressures on community pharmacy. If you would like support to contact your MP to describe the challenges you are facing contact Jayne – commsofficer@cambslpc.org.uk

Updated NICE guidance – message from the CCG.

NICE have published updated diabetes monitoring guidance. In-line with all NICE guidance, before implementation the CCG will need to review the impact this will have on our local population. **Until this review has been completed our current formulary positions remain unchanged, including Freestyle Libre requiring specialist initiation (not recommended for initiation in primary care).** A link to the formulary position can be found [HERE](#). Further patient information will be available shortly. Patients are kindly asked not to contact their GP or Specialist Diabetes Teams about this, instead they may discuss with their specialist at their next planned routine appointment.

Vaccination survey

The World Pharmacy Council (WPC), working with Pfizer, is asking community pharmacists from around the world to contribute to the future direction of the sector.

This survey is the first of its kind and aims to collect information on community pharmacists' attitudes, experiences, and support requirements in relation to the provision of vaccination services. The responses will help inform the future direction of pharmacy vaccination services. You can complete the survey [here](#).

Foundation training year survey

HEE would like feedback on the e-portfolio which has been available to all trainees and designated supervisors. You can access the anonymous survey [here](#) until April 26.