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PATIENT ACCESS TO THEIR GP-HELD RECORDS (TPP AND EMIS SYSTEMS)



General practices were previously informed that from April 2022 there will be system changes for all practices using TPP and EMIS systems to provide all patients with easy access to their future health records.

GPs will be informed of the go-live date (now expected summer 2022) with 2 months' notice and provided with resources to support preparations.

Once enabled, patients will be able to view their medical record through the NHS App and other online services e.g. Evergreen, Airmid, SystmOnline and Patient Access.

Safeguarding concerns for patient record access and why these changes are being made are available [here](#).



Article by Nick Turner,
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The implementation team can be contacted on england.nhsximplementation@nhs.net

More information on 'what practices should know' can be found here: [Patient access to their GP-held records \(TPP and EMIS systems\)](#)

PRACTICE CONTRACTUAL REQUIREMENT TO PROVIDE TRAVEL VACCINATIONS

A practice CANNOT opt out of giving travel vaccinations, it is part of the core contract.

Travel vaccinations that must be given for free to all registered patients

These vaccinations must be given as part of NHS provision though GMS essential services, and no fee can be charged to a registered patient:

- cholera
- hepatitis A
- paratyphoid
- poliomyelitis
- smallpox
- typhoid.

Vaccinations that are not free

These vaccinations are not free on the NHS:

- Japanese encephalitis and tick-borne encephalitis
- meningitis vaccines
- rabies
- tuberculosis (TB)
- yellow fever.

Charging

The practice may charge a registered patient if the vaccination is requested for travel.

The patient may either be given a private prescription to get the vaccines or charged for stock purchased and held by the practice. Administration is also chargeable.

An FP10 (or equivalent NHS prescription) must not be used to provide these vaccines.

Resources

- [The green book](#)
- [The National Travel Health Network and Centre](#)



Article by Kate Pilton, Chief Operating Officer, Lincolnshire LMC.

GENERAL PRACTICE PAY TRANSPARENCY

ARTICLE WRITTEN BY NICK TURNER

The BMA have continued to raise concerns about earnings declarations for GPs with the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC).

Following the confirmation that the implementation of general practice pay transparency would be delayed, amendments to the GP Contract Regulations have now come in to force to remove the requirement to make a self-declaration of 2020/21 NHS earnings by 30 April 2022.

Individuals within scope of the pay transparency provisions therefore do not need to take any action, and commissioners should not seek to enforce this contractual requirement.

Although the BMA are pleased that these plans are being delayed, we are disappointed that these amendments were 'made with the expectation that this policy will resume at a later date', and they continue to lobby for the requirement to declare earnings to continue to remain suspended for 2022/23 as well.

[Read the BMA guidance on GP earnings.](#)



DELAYED CONTRACTUAL CHANGES FOR DECEASED PATIENT RECORDS

NHSE/I have confirmed that the contractual changes for the management of deceased patient records have yet to take effect.

This is due to required legislative and system changes remaining outstanding and means that practices should continue printing and sending the full records to PCSE until NHSE/I notifies the profession otherwise. PCSE will also retain the obligation to process AHRA requests it receives directly until that time.



COVID MEDICAL EXEMPTION SERVICE

As of 12 May 2022, the domestic NHS COVID Pass is no longer available, and the medical exemptions service (119) will no longer accept new applications from people who want to use the domestic NHS COVID Pass to prove they cannot be vaccinated for medical reasons.

The 119 service will continue running at a minimal level until 11 July, only accepting queries to the call centre and processing outstanding applications via GP assessments into the Summary Care Record application (SCRa). GPs will be required to continue processing applications until 11 July to comply with the amendments to GP regulations. Previously granted exemptions will continue to show throughout in the NHS Covid Pass under “view my records” except where they have expired due to time-limited grounds.

The NHS COVID Pass for international travel will continue to be available as normal.



ARTICLES WRITTEN BY KATE PILTON

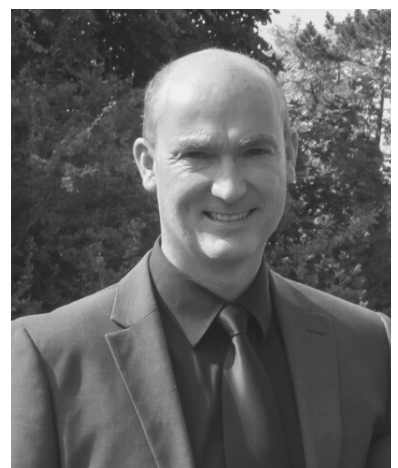
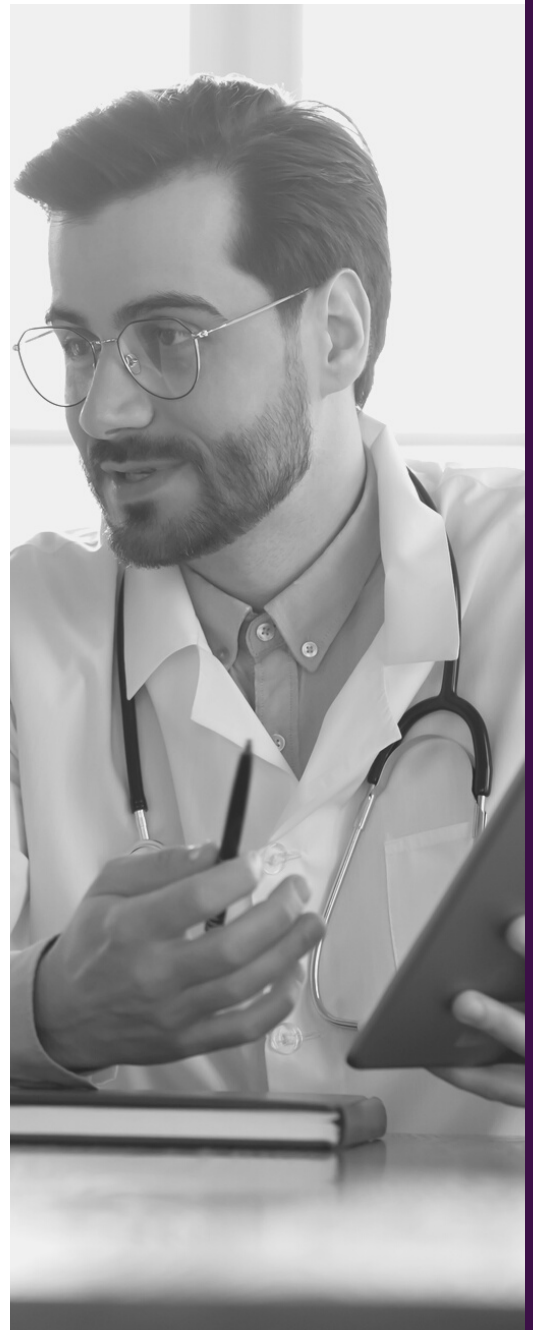
Practices that have signed up to the Network Contract DES, must provide all elements of the DES, including the Enhanced Access (EA) service.

The Enhanced Access (EA) service can be provided flexibly so that services can be tailored to meet the needs of the local population. The EA service allows PCNs the ability to understand their patients' needs and design the EA service accordingly. The standard core hours are 6.30pm to 8pm, Mondays to Fridays and between 9am and 5pm on Saturdays, however where it is agreed with the commissioner, a proportion of the hours can be provided outside the core hours i.e. early mornings (7am-8am) or Sundays. In addition, some extra capacity during core hours can be provided where it is necessary due to regular high demand.

An appropriate blend of remote and face-to-face consultations should be made available taking account of population demographics and clinical need. GP clinical cover and supervision should be provided across the Standard Hours as part of a wider multi-disciplinary team (MDT).

PCNs may choose to sub-contract delivery of the Enhanced Access (EA) service to another provider if it wishes to do so.

For further details, please see the full article: www.lincslmc.co.uk/enhancedaccessqa
More detailed FAQs will follow when available.



Article by Nick Turner, Practice Support Officer, Lincolnshire LMC.



CLINICAL NEGLIGENCE SCHEME FOR GENERAL PRACTICE (CNSGP)

From 1 April 2019, NHS Resolution began operating a new state indemnity scheme for general practice in England called the Clinical Negligence Scheme for General Practice (CNSGP).

The scheme covers clinical negligence liabilities arising in general practice in relation to incidents that occurred on or after 1 April 2019.

CNSGP provides a fully comprehensive indemnity for all claims within its scope.

The following guidance outlines the scope of the CNSGP for all staff types.

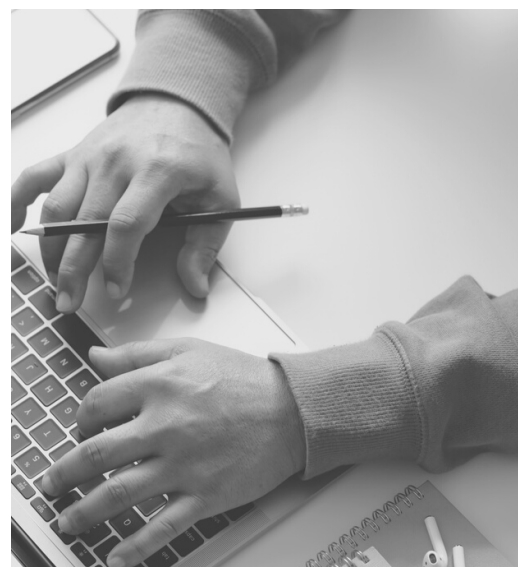
More information can be found here: [Lincolnshire LMC: Clinical Negligence Scheme for General Practice \(CNSGP\)](#)

CARE PORTAL PROCESSES – GP PRACTICES

When new staff members employed by the Practice require Care Portal access, the Practice Manager can raise requests to lccg.stpdigital@nhs.net

Best practice suggests to clearly label the request “Care Portal Access” followed by the Practice Name (i.e., Care Portal Access – Practice Name).

Find out more: [Lincolnshire LMC: Care Portal Processes – GP Practices](#)



LMC DEVELOPMENT CENTRE: DNAS

We all know the effects on practices when patients cancel appointments last minute or when they just do not show up with wasted time and associated cost implications. These effects are similar when practice staff don't turn up to training that has been booked for them, whether it is due to miss communication or annual leave. We completely understand that things happen in practice, such as having to cover unplanned absences in most instances attendees should be able to provide at least some notice.

In recent times we have noticed a significant increase in the number of DNAs at training events. We are unable to refill places without notice so places have been wasted, and practice staff have needlessly missed out on fully booked courses. Whilst practices do not pay for the courses, they are not free, if a place is booked then we have to pay for it whether attendees are present or not.

Please help us to make sure we make the most of these training opportunities. We are more than happy to check bookings and we can assist practices to keep track of what they have booked for their staff. If you are unsure whether you are booked on a course please get in touch to check. If you are booking a course for a colleague please provide a correct email address for the attendee and please make sure you inform them that the place has been booked.



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HOT TOPICS

PODCAST

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LINCS LMC PODCAST

This week, Lincolnshire LMC have recorded and published 'Lincs LMC Committee meeting highlights (Apr 22)'.

To listen please follow the link below:
[Episode 27: Lincs LMC Committee meeting highlights \(April 22\) by The Lincolnshire LMC Hot Topics Podcast \(anchor.fm\)](#)

GENERAL PRACTICE FACTUAL REPORTS (GPFR) PILOT

A new pilot has started to trial a replacement to the existing GPFR.

The new form is designed to be quicker and easier for GPs to complete, whilst still capturing the information needed.

The trial will run for six months and DWP hope that GPs will engage with it and provide any helpful feedback and comments they may have on the new form.

During the pilot, GPs may sometimes receive the existing GPFR and may sometimes receive the version being trialled.

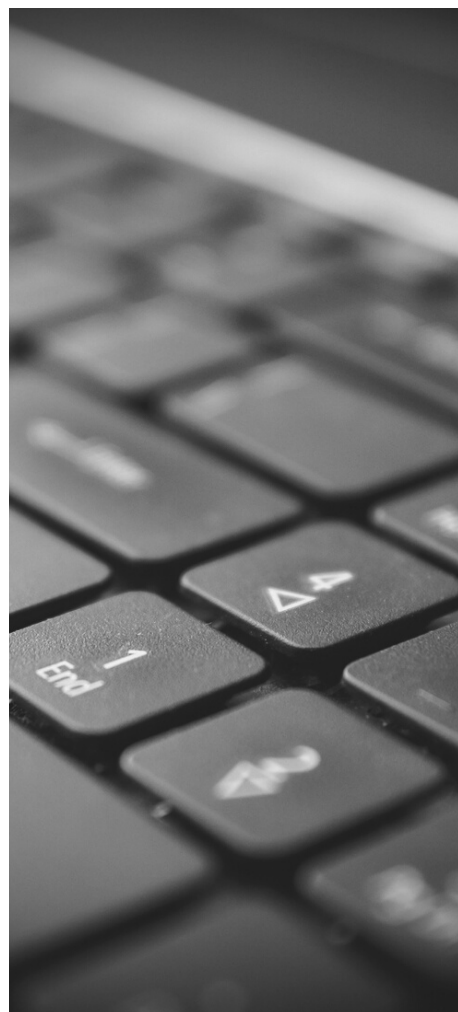
GP IT PROJECTS TAKING PLACE THIS YEAR

The main focus will be:

- GPIT Refresh Project – This will be targeting end of life desktop and laptop devices only and a schedule has already been determined.
- Patient Arrival screen Project – The all in one (AIO) hardware touchscreen equipment for this project has been purchased and currently awaiting delivery from Dell to be prepared by the AGEM technicians.
- Wi-Fi Upgrade Project – The aim of the project is to improve coverage of the NHS Wi-Fi across each individual Practice. This will mean that existing Wi-Fi access points will be upgraded.

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PSYCHOSEXUAL THERAPY REFERRAL UPDATE FOR GPS

If you feel any of your patients would benefit from psychosexual therapy (PST), this is a reminder of the referral process. Lincolnshire Integrated Sexual Health Services (LISH) offer this service, which is delivered for us by specialist psychosexual counsellors employed by Relate. Referrals need to go to Dr Katherine Bond or Dr Sandya Wellwood at LISH (Lindon House, 134 Dixon Street, Lincoln, LN6 7TU) or can be emailed securely to lchs.shs@nhs.net. PST counselling is appropriate for patients having psychological issues around having sex; it is not a relationship service. They will not see patients on the sex offenders list or with suicidal ideation. If you are not sure if your patient is appropriate for PST, please do not hesitate to email us (as above) or write to us and we are happy to advise.

Baseline bloods for patients possibly requiring PST

- Male Erection Problems: HbA1C, lipids, morning testosterone,
- Male Desire disorders: TFT, morning testosterone, FBC, HbA1C
- Female anorgasmia: TFT, HbA1C, FBC
- Female desire disorders: TFT, testosterone, prolactin, FBC, FSH/LH, HbA1C



PALLIATIVE SINGLE POINT OF ACCESS (PSPA)

As part of the ongoing development of palliative services, we would like to share that there will be a truly 'Single Point of Access' with a single telephone number for all Palliative and End of Life patients across Lincolnshire.

This number is: **0300 123 4868 & press 9.**

For more information contact:
lccg.feedback-palliativecare@nhs.net

Palliative Single Point of Access (SPA) card
For urgent nursing, care, advice and support

Lincolnshire Community Health Services NHS Trust

Marie Curie
Care and support through terminal illness

St Barnabas
Hospice - Care - Support

MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT

Contact number:

0300 123 4868

Remember to press 9 when presented with options

Hours:

24 hours a day 7 days a week

Lincolnshire GP Recruitment & Speed Networking Event

Wednesday 29th June 2022

19:00-21:30 | The Agra, Sleaford.

For GPs/GP trainees looking to work in Lincolnshire and practices looking to recruit.

Book Now



USEFUL LINKS



Training resources:

- [Lincolnshire Training Hub](#)
- [E-Learning for Health \(e-LfH\) Programmes](#)
- [NB Medical Education](#)
- [GP Forum CPD Opportunities](#)

Resources:

- [We are with you](#)

Networking:

- [Lincoln Medical Society](#)

Newsletters:

- [Sessional GPs e-newsletter](#)
- [GP Weekly Bulletin \(England\)](#)
- [GP Trainee Newsletter](#)
- [Practice Manager Association News](#)

Buying Group:

- [Latest LMC Buying Group Update](#)



VACANCIES IN LINCOLNSHIRE GENERAL PRACTICE

To view each listing please click on the vancacy titles.



[Advanced Nurse Practitioner – Willingham Surgery](#)

[Clinical Pharmacist – Gosberton Medical Practice](#)

[Deputy Nurse Team Lead – The Deepings Practice](#)

[Dispensary Support Admin – The Deepings Practice](#)

[GP – Abbey Medical Practice](#)

[HR Officer – The Deepings Practice](#)

[Medical Secretary – The Deepings Practice](#)

[Practice Manager – Caskgate Street Surgery](#)

[Practice Nurse – The Deepings Practice](#)

[Practice Nurse – Long Bennington Medical Centre](#)

[Practice Nurse – Market Cross Surgery](#)

[Practice Nurse – Birchwood Medical Practice](#)

[Salaried GP – Billingham Medical Practice](#)

If you would like your job listing advertised on our website, please send the advert to laura.dexter1@nhs.net.

Your advert should only be one A4 page and should include:

- Job title
- Location
- Practice logo or image
- Short overview of the role or the practice.
- Salary and any benefits
- Contact information & link to your practice's website
- Closing date of job listing

Your advert should preferably be sent to us as a PDF format.

Alternatively you can your job listing here: [Create Listing](#). Note this will have to be approved by a Lincolnshire LMC administrator

All vacancies on the Lincolnshire LMC website can be found at: www.lincsllmc.co.uk/jobs

UPCOMING TRAINING AND EVENTS

June:

- Managing CHD in Primary Care Webinar – www.lincolnsimc.co.uk/events/13278
- Virtual Phlebotomy Update – www.lincolnsimc.co.uk/events/13225
- Practice Management Support Network – www.lincolnsimc.co.uk/events/13551
- Lincolnshire GP Recruitment & Speed Networking Event – www.lincolnsimc.co.uk/events/13547

SAVE THE DATE!

- Lincolnshire Covid-19 Recognition & Reflection Conference – Friday 15th July at The Lincolnshire Showground – **Invitations sent out to practice managers last week.**
- Lincolnshire LMC Practice Manager's Conference – Thursday 13th & Friday 14th October 2022 at Belton Woods Hotel
- Lincolnshire LMC GP Conference – Wednesday 30th November 2022 at Belton Woods Hotel



OUR SERVICES

www.lincolnsimc.co.uk/impactlincs

Mentoring & Coaching Service:

Mentoring & coaching can benefit you and your organisation in many ways.

Our trained mentors can support you to make positive steps forward in your career and personal life. Mentoring sessions can take place at a time & place to suit you.

Take-30

This service aimed at providing confidential peer support for busy GP's, Practice Managers, Nurses & all other Practice Staff Members as they work through everyday challenges.

This service is available free of charge for all Lincolnshire General Practice Staff between 10am & 4pm for initial contact, Monday to Friday.

To find out more about both of these services, contact us:

Email: info@lincolnsimc.co.uk or call: 01522 576659