

Issue 131 - 5 February 2020

## Primary Care Newsletter

Welcome to your weekly e-bulletin – Primary Care News.

Please share this newsletter with colleagues within your practice who might benefit from the information.

Please forward any items for inclusion (aimed at Practice Managers) on the attached article [template](#) no later than **Monday evening** each week to the Primary Care email address at [barnsleyccg.primarycare@nhs.net](mailto:barnsleyccg.primarycare@nhs.net)

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### Reminders - Important dates

#### Dates for your diary

- **2020 BEST events** and **Primary Care Network** meeting dates and deadlines for booking cover are available [here](#)

### Wuhan Novel Coronavirus Information for Primary Care

On behalf of Public Health England and NHS England and NHS Improvement please find attached a letter confirming the advice should a member of the public have concerns that they may have been exposed to or become infected with the Novel Coronavirus.

Further information can be found [here](#)

### NHS guidance for patients who want to register with a GP practice

The CCG would like to share with practices the NHS Guidance for patients who want to register with a practice:

- <https://www.nhs.uk/using-the-nhs/nhs-services/gps/how-to-register-with-a-gp-practice/>

they also provide links to the patient leaflets to go with the advice

- <https://assets.nhs.uk/prod/documents/how-to-register-with-a-gp-homeless.pdf>
- <https://assets.nhs.uk/prod/documents/how-to-register-with-a-gp-gypsy-traveller-roma-communities.pdf>
- <https://assets.nhs.uk/prod/documents/how-to-register-with-a-gp-asylum-seekers-and-refugees.pdf>

## Cardiac Rehabilitation

Following the recent news item regarding Cardiac Rehabilitation referrals (posted in 15 January Primary Care News), the service are reporting increased numbers of referrals, but on the ***incorrect referral form and with information missing***, e.g. no indication if had angina symptoms in last 2 years or if they have a GTN, confirmed HF and severity. Please ensure all referrals are sent on the new referral form – this can be found on the BEST website [here](#)

Please see details from the original post:

Following feedback from practices and following discussions with the service, the referral form for patients with chronic angina or heart failure has been updated and can be found To summarise:

- Patients with angina will only be accepted if they have **current/recent symptoms** (i.e. in the last 2 years) and they must be prescribed a GTN spray to attend the exercise programme.
- Patients who have undergone coronary artery bypass grafting (CABG) or other coronary intervention (PCI) can only access the service if their **angina symptoms have subsequently returned** (and are stable). If a patient has had a **recent** procedure (i.e. in last 6 months) and was unable to or declined to attend post procedure then they can be referred again.
- Heart failure patients must have their **diagnosis confirmed** by an appropriate diagnostic procedure (usually an echocardiogram)
- **If patients do not meet the above criteria then please code in patient's record as 'cardiac rehab programme unsuitable' or 'cardiac rehab programme not indicate'** (See PDA CVD specification for specific code details)
- If patients have a **diagnosis of respiratory disease and cardiac disease** then they should be referred to the most suitable programme first (dependant on which symptoms are most troublesome). If they would benefit from both programmes, then please specify on the referral form and once the first programme is completed

they will be internally assessed and transferred to the other programme once when appropriate - there is no need to refer twice.

An updated patient information sheet can be found [here](#)

## Doctorlink – Online Consultation

DoctorLink has been procured the DoctorLink platform to support practices in delivering online consultations by **31 March 2020**. Please find [here](#) additional information on the platform, benefits of using Doctorlink, and steps you will need to take within practice.

If you have any questions please contact [louise.dodson@nhs.net](mailto:louise.dodson@nhs.net) or [ben.greenwood@doctorlink.com](mailto:ben.greenwood@doctorlink.com)

## Out of Hours Cervical Screening

The Cervical Screening go live date was **15 October 2019**. The Cervical Screening clinics run from Chapelfield Medical Centre initially Tuesday 6:30pm – 10:30 pm and Sundays 10.00-2.00pm. Practices will be able to send over referrals in the same way they do for home visits to a dedicated referral box. The BHF central admin team will then contact the patient and book an appointment convenient to them.

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## EDUCATION AND TRAINING

### EMIS AND SystemOne Training

For details of the upcoming EMIS web and SystemOne Training Workshops click on the links below:

- [EMIS web](#)
- [SystemOne](#)

**Places on all courses are limited and will be offered on a first come first served basis.**

<https://itselfservice.embedhealth.co.uk/> using the option "Clinical Software Training Request" or alternatively if you do not have log in details for the portal, or for any other queries, please contact the IT Service desk by telephone 0345 140 8000 or email [IT\\_Servicedesk@embedhealth.co.uk](mailto:IT_Servicedesk@embedhealth.co.uk)

## **EMBED Information Governance**

Please find attached Issue 24 of the GP's - Information Governance Communications.

If you have any queries, please contact [embed.infogov@nhs.net](mailto:embed.infogov@nhs.net)

## **Warwick Training Agreements and Invoices – Cohort 3**

All Practice's that participated in the Warwick Diabetes training please submit their signed agreements to [sarah.clarke85@nhs.net](mailto:sarah.clarke85@nhs.net), Appendix A should be signed by the course leader and should include names of all persons that undertook the training. Raise your practice Invoice with the description – 'Diabetes Warwick' for processing to the usual address at: NHS Barnsley CCG, 02P Payables K155, Phoenix House, Topcliffe Lane, WAKEFIELD, WF3 1WE.. Agreements and invoices need to be received by mid-February to ensure contribution payment.