



Update from the Consortium of Lancashire & Cumbria LMCs

Tuesday 1st August

Flu vaccination for children aged 2 and 3 years old in pre-schools attached to schools

On the 31st of August 2023 children aged 2 and 3 will be eligible for a free flu vaccine. Following the success of a pilot with selected mainstream schools across Lancashire, NHSE will be rolling out this initiative to all pre schools attached to mainstream schools. This offers parents the choice to have their children vaccinated in pre school or at their GP surgery. NHSE will send a letter to all GPs outlining the initiative to ensure there is a coordinated approach between GPs and School Providers. In the meantime, please see [attached](#) to email letter sent to the LMC.

LMC Office

Stephen Toulmin has now retired after 12 years of working at the LMC. We wish him all the best in his retirement. [Abi Askew](#) is now the Executive Lead for Morecambe Bay. Meet the [LMC office team here](#).

LMC Partnership Agreement Drafting Service

Have you used our Partnership Agreement Drafting Service?

If so, to help us improve our service we would be grateful if you could please complete the following survey, which should take no longer than 5 minutes - <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/TY9PDCH>

If you are interested in having an agreement drafted or if you have any questions about our bespoke agreements and what we can offer for you then please contact [Abigail Askew](#) or call 01772 863806.

New film explaining The Oliver McGowan Mandatory Training on Learning Disability and Autism

NHSE, with partners, has shared a powerful [new animation about The Oliver McGowan Mandatory Training on Learning Disability and Autism](#).

The animation has been co-designed and co-produced with autistic people and people with a learning disability. It is aimed at helping staff and employers across health and social care to understand Oliver's Training and why it is important. To find out more, visit [The Oliver McGowan Mandatory Training webpage](#).

The LMC has been receiving queries in relation to the Health Education England (HEE) Oliver McGowan mandatory training. We wanted to clarify that it is **NOT** mandatory the HEE specific training is completed. The title containing the word mandatory appears to have increased confusion. CQC amended its [guidance](#), which now clarifies that there is no specific training that is mandatory. CQC states that training 'provided to staff is appropriate and provides staff with knowledge about how to interact and support people with a learning disability'.

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General practice responsibility in responding to private healthcare

The BMA GPC has published [guidance](#) on general practice responsibility in responding to private healthcare, to help practices reduce this extra workload.

The LMC has created a [template letter](#) which practices can use to respond to private GPs when asking NHS GPs to make a referral for diagnostic tests or referrals into the NHS. We have also created a [poster](#) which you may find of use to promote to your patients.

Lancashire & Cumbria Sessional GP group

The LMC hosts and supports the Lancashire & Cumbria Sessional GP group which meet bi-monthly online. The meetings include a free training event, such as BLS and Safeguarding, followed by a business meeting.

Dr Sigrun Baier chaired these meetings for 15 years and has recently stepped down. We express our thanks for all her Sessional GP support over the years. The new chair is Dr Suzanne Gaskell, who is also a member of Central Lancashire LMC. We wish Dr Gaskell all the best!

Statement from the new Chair:

I am delighted to be the new chair of the Lancashire and Cumbria sessional GP group. I'd like to sincerely thank Dr Sigrun Baier for all her hard work and commitment over the years. I'd also like to thank the LMC for their continued support.

We are fortunate to have a wonderful and diverse group of sessional GPs, with a wealth of knowledge and experience. I hope that by supporting each other, developing ourselves professionally and working to optimise our working environment, we can continue to promote all that is excellent about sessional working. New members are always welcomed!

If you are a sessional GP and would like to find out more about the support we offer [please get in touch](#).

BMA Sessional GP Committee election announcements

Following the recent officer and exec elections for the BMA sessional GPs committee, the results are as follows:

- Chair – Mark Steggles
- Deputy Chair – Veno Suri
- Exec team – Bethan Roberts and Paula Wright

LMC pages and guidance for practices

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- ❖ See our LMC support services [here](#)
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