



## Update from the Consortium of Lancashire & Cumbria LMCs

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2025

### General Practice Alert State (GPAS)

You can see the latest SitRep results below. Results can also be found on [our website](#).

Submitting your results is crucial. When we don't receive your data, it limits our ability to present a strong, accurate picture to system partners. This, in turn, weakens our case when we advocate for more resources and support for your practice.

Your input makes a difference — thank you for taking the time to help us fight for you.

[Please let us know](#) if you are a Practice Manager and do not receive the GPAS input emails. If someone at your practice needs to be added to the distribution list please email [enquiries@nwlmc.org](mailto:enquiries@nwlmc.org). Submission links are sent out every Tuesday and Wednesday.

### LMC Website

We've made some improvements to our website to make it easier to navigate, added a more visible search function, and introduced a [Workload Transfer](#) tab to give you quick access to crucial resources.

We hope the changes make it quicker and simpler to find what you need.

Take a look around and let us know what you think – we're always looking to improve.

### Seniority payments update

Seniority payments were historically made to GP partners based on their length of NHS service and income received. The Scheme closed to new members on 1 April 2014 and was then phased out over a six-year period to March 2020. These annually released sums were diverted into the Global Sum.

Seniority payments were based on thirds of average partner income, with no payment being made if a partner drew under a third of average income, 60% between one-third and two-thirds, and those receiving over two thirds average income receiving a full payment. The actual entitlement depended on the publication of each year's Final Seniority Factor (FSF), which was last published in April 2020.

After many months of discussions, the BMA GPC have now finally received assurances from PCSE that they will not seek to undertake a conciliation exercise for the financial years 2013/14, 2014/15 or 2015/16. However, a very small number of practices may receive further communications in future about the Tranche 1 years (2017/18, 2018/19, and 2019/20). Further information is available [here](#).

### Foresight AI model trained on GP Data

Following reports in the press that GP Data extracted via GPES under a repurposed COVID-19 extract formed part of a wider set of data that had been used to train an AI model without knowledge or approval of an advisory group set up to oversee it, BMA and RCGP wrote to NHS England via the Joint GP IT Committee. In the letter, the BMA GPC outlined the seriousness of this action and sought immediate clarity on how the data sharing took place. This is an ongoing situation, further updates will be provided in the next newsletter.





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### Wellbeing resources

Please remember you have the support of your colleagues, LMC and the BMA. A range of wellbeing and support services are available to doctors and Practice staff, and we encourage anybody who is feeling under strain to seek support. Please take a moment to check in on your colleagues' wellbeing and look out for each other.

Support comes in various forms, from the [LMC Support & Development Service](#), the BMA's [counselling and peer support services](#), [NHS practitioner health service](#) and non-medical support services such as [Samaritans](#). The organisation [Doctors in Distress](#) also provides mental health support for health workers in the UK. The BMA have produced a [poster with 10 top tips](#) to help support the wellbeing of you and your colleagues.

The [Cameron Fund](#) supports GPs and their families in times of financial need, whether through ill-health, disability, bereavement, relationship breakdown or loss of employment. The [RCGP](#) also has information on GP wellbeing support.

### New: NHS App test results promotional toolkit

This addition to [the NHS App toolkit](#) promotes how patients can view test results that have been added to their online GP health record in the NHS App.

The pack contains social media, website and display screen images, as well as a poster and message templates.

### Job advert - Primary Care Education Facilitator (Early Diagnosis of Cancer)

Recruitment is underway for someone to lead on cancer education across Primary Care.

For more information and to apply, please see the [job advert here](#).

### Help us grow our audience

We understand that you are busy and are likely to receive many emails on a daily basis. However it is important for you to receive communications from us because **we can help and support you**.

We know there are many colleagues who do not receive our brieflet, so please help us by sharing this with your team and letting us know to add them to our distribution lists. [Contact us here](#).

