



Update from the Consortium of Lancashire & Cumbria LMCs

Monday 17th February 2020

GPC England contract update

You will be aware that the GPC voted to accept the changes to the GP contract for 2020-21. Please see attached LMC summary of the contract. The LMC is collating FAQs and will be providing regular updates. Please see our [survey monkey](#) to submit any questions. For more about the contract changes please see [here](#).

- ❖ Dr Krishna Kasaraneni, GPC Executive team member, will be presenting on the contract changes 20th February at The North Lakes Hotel Penrith. It will start at 1pm with food at 12.30.
- ❖ Dr Richard Vautrey, Chair of the BMA GPC, will also be coming to present on the 26th February at the Preston Marriott Hotel. It will start at 1pm with food at 12:30pm.

This is a valuable opportunity for you to hear about the contract changes with the chance to ask questions. Please contact [Rebecca](#) if you would like to attend.

Coronavirus update

The BMA has updated its [guidance](#) to reflect the latest Government guidance for health professionals. BMA GPC are expecting further information for clinicians to be published shortly and will ensure guidance on their website reflects this. The main principle remains - to avoid pressures on primary care, ambulance services and emergency departments, and to direct patients to NHS111. Read the Public Health England guidance [here](#).

Regulations on Coronavirus: The Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, Matt Hancock, has published new [regulations](#) declaring that the incidence or transmission of novel Coronavirus constitutes a serious and imminent threat to public health. The measures outlined in these regulations are considered as an effective means of delaying or preventing further transmission of the virus. Read their [statement](#).

Mumps cases rising

[BBC News](#) and other media have reported on the rise in the number of cases of mumps, reaching the highest level in England for a decade.

NHSmail for GP Locums

If you are a GP Locum and would like to take part in the pilot for an NHS.net email, please click [here](#). Currently the GP Locum Beta Pilot is limited to 500 GP Locums and will be closed once the limit is reached. A new date for a wider national rollout is to be agreed once the Beta Pilot is completed.

