



# Update from the Consortium of Lancashire & Cumbria LMCs

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## Managing Extreme Workload Pressures

The current pressures on General Practice are extreme, and GPs are being faced with unmanageable, unsafe workloads. Therefore, the LMC have issued the attached guidance as we have been receiving requests from constituents asking what practices can do within their contract to try and safely manage patient care.

Please read this guidance to ensure your patients, staff, and contract are protected and this advice is followed correctly.

You can also find this document on [our website](#), guidance on [GP workload: core and non-core work](#), together with further guidance and templates for [managing inappropriate workload here](#).

## Partnership Agreement Drafting Service

Since 2020, the LMC have partnered up with a specialist law firm to bring you a partnership agreement drafting service, led by a legally qualified team who specialise in partnership and contract law to ensure legal accuracy.

Since Abigail Askew has now returned from maternity leave, the service is now available again. 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.

Having an up-to-date partnership agreement in place protects you as an individual and your practice, identifying responsibilities and obligations of partners at a practice. It is a vitally important document which should be agreed in advance with any incoming partner.

## LSCFT – EMIS Viewer

An update was shared via a recent Lancashire & South Cumbria ICB GP Newsletter regarding EMIS Viewer. The update advised practices that LSCFT have completed procurement of EMIS Viewer to support clinicians working across admission avoidance services to view the GP record. This is view only access and no records will be added. To do this a data sharing agreement has been completed and each practice will need to activate the agreement through EMIS to allow information in the GP record to be viewed.

It is the LMC's understanding that the Data Protection Officer for Lancashire & South Cumbria GP practices is reviewing the detail of the agreement in order to provide advice across the board, but should you have any queries about this for your practice they can be contacted directly via [MLcsu.ig@nhs.net](mailto:MLcsu.ig@nhs.net).

## Academy Matters - MLCSU IT Training Newsletter - June 2023

Please see the [following the link](#) to the latest Academy Matters IT Training Newsletter for June.

## LMC pages and guidance for practices

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