



Beds & Herts LMC Ltd: Update for Practices, Monday 15th May 2023

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1. NHS England Primary Care Recovery Plan

NHSE published its [primary care recovery plan](#) last week. There is a NHSE Webinar this week which the LMC will attend, and we will provide a further summary of the plan in due course. In response to the recovery plan, the BMA said:

“Whilst we welcome the planned investment and innovative new ways that will support our profession in delivering care, there doesn’t seem to be much in the plan about how we stop GPs leaving the profession, or how we retain the staff that we already have. General practice is almost on its knees, facing a crisis as patient demand continues to rise and the workforce continues to dwindle. Managing the strain on services to help primary care recover will happen only when and if there is a commitment from the government to increase the actual numbers of GPs.

Although more community services are needed to relieve [pressures on GPs](#), these measures don’t consider the continuing cuts to public health funding and that more community pharmacies are closing across England.

The growing problems in general practice workforce numbers and infrastructure are acting as barriers that will prevent effective change from happening.”

You can read the [full BMA statement in response here](#).

2. Beds & Herts LMC Evening Roadshows - Coming Soon!

Please come along and meet the team and receive some practical information on the principles of Safe Working in General Practice: what you can do, what you can’t do and what others are doing.

We will also have an update on the new imposed GP Contract, and in particular what it says about access, and are pleased to confirm Dr Clare Bannon, Deputy Chair of GPC England is able to attend on the 21st June.

These free events are open to all GPs and Practice Managers in Bedfordshire & Hertfordshire. Please see the below dates and venues:

- **Wednesday 21st June 2023, 7 – 9:30pm** – Kings House, 245 Ampthill Road, Bedford, MK42 9AZ
- **Wednesday 28th June 2023, 7 – 9:30pm** – Focolare Centre, 69 Parkway, Welwyn Garden City, AL8 6JG

To book your free place, please [click here!](#)

3. Primary Care Level 3 Safeguarding Children Webinar

Herts Only

Dr Fabienne Smith (ICB Named GP for Safeguarding Children) will provide an overview of this the ICB Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Primary Care Toolkit and discuss cases to enable Primary Care colleagues to implement their own comprehensive Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence policy, covering both staff and patients affected by Domestic Abuse and/or Sexual Violence.

When: Wednesday 24th May 2023

Time: 1 – 2pm

How to join: via MS Teams (link included in the attached flyer)

For more information and joining instructions, please see the [attached flyer](#).

4. Level 3 Safeguarding Training Webinar – Lessons Learned from Safeguarding Reviews: Hertfordshire Programme for Fathers/Male Care Givers

Herts Only

All Primary Care colleagues are invited to join this lunchtime webinar where Amanda Merrett-Jones (ICB Designated Nurse for Safeguarding Children) and Tess Gartside (Operational Manager - Health Visiting) will provide an overview of the fathers programme of work that has been progressing over the last two years in Hertfordshire in response to the CSPR Panel Paper The Myth of Invisible Men (publishing.service.gov.uk)

The session aims to raise awareness in knowing the issues surrounding early identification of vulnerable children and families in a Primary Care setting and provide useful information and opportunity to discuss ideas.

When: Wednesday 07th June 2023

Time: 1 – 2pm

How to join: via MS Teams (link included in the attached flyer)

For more information and joining instructions, please see the [attached flyer](#).

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