

LMC CLINICAL WASTE SELF AUDIT TRAINING (CQC)

The deadline for Practices to submit their first Self Audit is 1st July 2011. Two training dates have been arranged by the LMC with Marie Scouse, PCT to assist Practices with aspects of compliance towards this CQC requirement. The dates are:

24th May at Derby YMCA and 10th June at Santos Farm, Alfreton. A fee of £10 per delegate is payable to cover venue hire and catering. Should you wish to book a place please contact Helen at the LMC Office.

GOOD PRACTICE GUIDELINES FOR GP ELECTRONIC PATIENT RECORDS

The DH has issued version 4 (2011) of "The Good Practice Guidelines for Electronic Patient Records". (supersedes v3.1, 2005)

Quick reference guide:

http://www.dh.gov.uk/prod_consum_dh/groups/dh_digitalassets/documents/digitalasset/dh_125351.pdf

Full version:

http://www.dh.gov.uk/prod_consum_dh/groups/dh_digitalassets/documents/digitalasset/dh_125350.pdf

Equality Analysis:

http://www.dh.gov.uk/prod_consum_dh/groups/dh_digitalassets/documents/digitalasset/dh_125352.pdf

PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENTS AND THE CQC REGISTERED MANAGER

The LMC are aware that many practices are rightly considering updating their Partnership Agreements, in line with the requirement relating to having a CQC 'Registered Manager' accordingly the LMC have asked for further guidance. Clarity from the CQC and the GPC will be issued in future LMC newsletters. Meanwhile the GPC have implied that they do not believe the CQC expects non-Partner Practice Managers to hold these posts - further guidance awaited.

NAPP - PATIENT PARTICIPATION HELP

Under the new Patient Participation DES Practices will be required to gain the formal approval from their PPG for any significant changes to services and access. Guidance and audit requirements can be accessed on the BMA website with examples of developing surveys, sample contact forms, scripts and leaflet contact. Virtual PPGs are a method of improving your patient participation. They operate through email and social network systems and reach out and engage to a broader and more representative GP practice population. **Access a free resource by contacting NAPP** The National Association for Patient Participation (N.A.P.P) , over 30-years experience and expertise in promoting, supporting and developing PPGs and has developed a full range of resources to support GP practices. For more information contact Edith Todd at admin@napp.org.uk or 01932 242350 or www.napp.org.uk.

GPC SURVEY OF OPINION

The GPC has launched a survey of GP opinion about a number of important contractual issues, following similar surveys in 2001 and 2007. We encourage you to log onto the BMA website and give your views on the planned changes to commissioning, practice boundaries, morale, income, the future of the UK Contract and retirement. www.bma.org.uk

DISPENSING PRACTICES AND RURALITY

PCTs are required to have maps with rural areas clearly delineated as outlined in (Regulation 31 (7) (b)) of the NHS (Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 2005.

Whilst some PCT's have up-to-date maps of all the controlled localities in their area, these could not be located in Derbyshire and consequently to comply with the Regulations the PCT will be undertaking a piece of work through the Pharmacy Control of Entry Panel to raise maps of the controlled localities.

This determination is important for PCTs in order to assure themselves that where patients receive dispensing doctor services, they reside in properly determined controlled localities.

As a reminder to dispensing doctors, entry to the market for pharmacists and dispensing doctors is governed by the NHS Pharmaceutical Services Regulation 2005. Under the regulations doctors may, in certain circumstances, provide medicine to their patients from their surgery rather than sending the patient to a chemist. Currently doctors may offer to dispense to patients who live more than one mile (1.6 km) from a chemist – the patient must also apply to be dispensed medicine by their doctor.

We would encourage all dispensing doctors to have a SOP (standard operating procedure), which includes that checks are made at intervals to ensure that they are not dispensing to patients inside the 1.6 km limit. This will enable good general housekeeping and also to check that their records are accurate. Dispensing to a patient who lives within 1.6km of the surgery could be construed as breach of Contract.

This piece of work is at the early stages of development and further information will be circulated at a later date to inform progress.

SICKNESS CERTIFICATION AND SCHOOLS - OFQUAL LETTER

GPs often get asked to provide sick notes for children particularly during the exam period. Please find relevant information from OFQUAL on the BMA website. http://www.bma.org.uk/employmentandcontracts/independent_contractors/managing_your_practice/schoolssickcert.jsp

SEASONAL FLU

All practices should have received a letter from the Chief Medical Officer (England) stating procurement of vaccines remain the same for 2011/12. Practices should order their own vaccines now if they have not already done so. Government advice is to have sufficient vaccines to cover 75% of 65s and over and at least 60% of the under 65 at risk groups.

advertisements

DERWENT RURAL COUNSELLING SERVICE TRUSTEE / DIRECTOR

Derwent Rural Counselling Service is a Bakewell based charity which has been providing professional counselling to distressed people in the Peak District for 22 years. It became an incorporated company in 2009. The service is governed by a board of Trustees/ Directors and we are currently looking to strengthen this body by recruiting two new members. We are especially interested in hearing from any GPs who feel share our passion for mental wellbeing and a commitment to counselling. The post is voluntary and involves attending meetings on a regular basis as well as assisting in the development and implementation of strategy. If you are interested or would like more information, please call our Manager – Mark Smith on 01629 812710 or email mark@derwentruralcounselling.co.uk. In the first instance you might also like to visit our informative website www.derwentruralcounselling.co.uk.

DERBY OPEN ACCESS CENTRE SALARIED GP - full time: £79,000 - £85,000

Total package (includes NHS pension) + time and a half payment for weekend working

A fantastic opportunity exists for a qualified GP to join the Derby Open Access Centres multi-disciplinary clinical team:

- a fast-paced environment
- a supportive, professional team including ongoing GP clinical leadership, support and mentoring
- the opportunity to develop new skills through ongoing professional development and clinical mentoring

Committed to delivering a superior patient experience, if you're a registered GP dedicated to outstanding patient care then we encourage you to apply!

ADVANCE NURSE PRACTITIONER - part-time work or flexible working hours: £36 - 40,000 per annum

DOE (includes NHS pension, pro rata for P/T work) + time and a half payment for weekend working.

- Must have current NMC registration, Nursing Degree and Nurse Practitioner Qualification
- Experience in dealing with minor illness
- Independent Nurse Prescribing Qualification

In order to apply for both positions, please contact careers@onemedicare.co.uk with your CV and covering letter - Applications close May 14th 2011.

WILLINGTON SURGERY, (DE65 6BX) SALARIED GP VACANCY

Willington is a friendly, patient focused, GMS, 6 partner practice. Offering a 1 year contract, 4 sessions per week. 8200 patients. Working collaboratively with Derby Commissioning Network. EMIS PCS clinical system. Supportive multi disciplinary team. Start date – a.s.a.p. Planning application for purpose built new surgery; just a stones throw away, recently submitted. Located between Derby and Burton-on-Trent, easily accessible via the A38 & A50. Closing date May 31st. Informal visits welcome. Please apply in writing with CV to Louise Scheck, P/ Manager, 4 Repton Road, Willington. 01283 703318

DERWENT VALLEY MEDICAL PRACTICE, DERBY

SALARIED GP - 3 sessions a week

Busy two site PMS practice in Derby looking for a committed and enthusiastic GP to join our practice team. SystemOne, with full PHCT, in excellent modern premises. MRCGP desirable. Informal discussion and visit welcome. Job profile and practice leaflet available. Closing Date: 10th June 2011. Contact Robert White, P. Mgr on 01332 294 214 or email: robertwhite3@nhs.net

PARKFIELDS SURGERY, ALVASTON SALARIED GP - full time

From 1 September 2011 or soon after, 8/9 sessions per week, competitive salary.

- * Future partnership possible
- * Busy, friendly dynamic practice in an urban area
- * Consistently achieve highly in QOF and offer full range of enhanced services
- * PMS practice and on TPP SystemOne

Informal enquiries and visits welcome. Application by covering letter and CV to Sue Knott, Practice Manager, Parkfields Surgery, 1217 London Road, Alvaston Derby DE24 8QJ. Telephone 01332 861681. Email sue.knott@nhs.net. Closing Date: 31st May 2011

THE OSMASTON SURGERY, DERBY FULL TIME/JOB SHARE GP PARTNER – Salaried with a view to partnership also considered.

We are currently a 6 WTE Partner practice (5M, 1F) looking to increase to 7 WTE Partnership in Derby City.

- * List size 15,500, high QOF Achievers
- * Training practice – GP Registrars & Medical Students
- * 5 Salaried GPs (3.5WTE)
- * System One computer system
- * On-site pharmacy
- * Women's Health care provider IUD fitting/ implants

Informal visits and enquiries welcome, please telephone Dr Ian Shand or Suzanne Rigbye, Practice Manager on 01332 346433. Send your CV with a covering letter, detailing any special interests you may have, and stating the number of sessions you would ideally prefer; to Suzanne Rigbye, Practice Manager, Osmaston Surgery, 212 Osmaston Road, Derby DE23 8JX or e-mail CV to: suzanne.rigbye@nhs.net. Closing date: Saturday 4th June 2011

Latest advice

In the past month GPC has issued the following:

- * Focus on Clinical Waste Audits
 - * Revalidation
 - * National End of Life Care - Care after death
- Further details are available on application to the LMC office or on the BMA website www.bma.org.uk

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