

To: All Pharmacists NY&H Area
LPC Members

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Dear Colleagues

Seasonal Flu Campaign 2015/16

You will be aware of the announcement of a National Advanced Service for Community Pharmacies to offer Seasonal Flu Vaccinations to identified groups.

However, there has been some concern that this service may be delayed and could affect Pharmacies' ability to deliver the service to as many people as possible. As such we have taken the decision to fund a time limited service, available from the 1st September until the National Advanced Service is available for Pharmacies to sign up to.

Under this Local Enhanced Service for all of Yorkshire and the Humber, the service will be remunerated at £7.64 for the administration of the Vaccine, and £5 towards the costs of the Vaccine. This will need to cover all elements of the service such as:

- Ensuring that the PGD (NHS England produced) goes through your own Governance Process
- The training of Staff to administer the vaccine
- Ensuring a separate room is available for the Vaccination
- Hand Hygiene Facilities
- The disposal of Sharps, Healthcare Waste and IPC (eg Decontamination) etc

Pharmacies should note that this may not be the same as the offer that will be made as part of the National Advanced Service.

To sign up to the scheme please follow one of the links below which will take you to your LPC website.

<http://communitypharmacyhumber.org/>

<http://cpny.co.uk/>

There you will find the service specification which will also contain a copy of the agreement for you to complete. Details of where to return the form by post or email are included on the sign-up form.

We will again be providing PharmOutcomes for the purpose of data collection, invoicing and GP notification.

The PGD will be made available for Pharmacies as soon as it has been signed off locally by NHS England – North (Yorkshire and the Humber). It will be placed on the local LPC's website alongside the SLA document. It is anticipated that the PGD will be made available as described above during Tuesday 1st September.

It is the responsibility of the Pharmacy to safely store and dispose of any used sharps. Please ensure these arrangements are in place before providing the service.

Please note that this offer is separate to the National Advanced Service for Pharmacy Flu. As such any Pharmacies who sign up for this offer will still need to sign up separately for the Advanced Service. Also, it is **not** a requirement to sign up to this local service in order to sign up for the Advanced Service.

If you have any queries please not hesitate to contact myself or David Iley on 07900 715224 or at david.iley@nhs.net

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Phil Kirby', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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