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NEW Community Pharmacy RSV and Pertussis Enhanced service tender

Contractors across Birmingham and Solihull, and the Black Country (as well as Leicestershire) are invited to tender for this service.

LPC comments/observations:

- This is a NEW National Enhanced Service commissioned by ICBs so the contract and specification is the same whichever system chooses to commission community pharmacy to deliver the service.
- **Unfortunately, the turnaround time is stupidly short (14th March)** and the process looks lengthy, although the questions to submit are largely Yes/No (once you get to them). The fee could not be negotiated any higher.
- Contractors bidding need to offer the service in the postcodes/locality included in the attached information
- Applications need to be submitted through the Atamis portal. (New contractors will need to register)
- Contractors need to submit a separate bid for each location (although they may well be the same)
- There has been a pilot in the East and contractors successfully offering the service are seeing reasonable activity.

We hope this is the start of more national enhanced services being commissioned so the LPC sees it as an important step forward for the community pharmacy network, although the way this has been communicated is disappointing. All the information we have available is attached.

**NHSE: Initial guidance on engaging with RSV and Pertussis
Vaccination Service**

NHSE: Market engagement slide pack

NHSE: Service specification

**NHSE: Invitation to Tender - Instructions and Guidance to Potential
Suppliers**

NHSE: Tender declarations

NHSE: Onboarding questions

NHSE: Postcode and locality form

NHSE: Standard Selection Questionnaire

NHSE: Atamis system – Bidder guidance

NHSE: Clarification Questions Log

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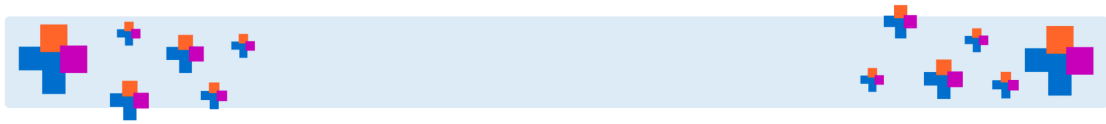
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