

Future-proofing General Practice -5th August 2016

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Innovation

[New innovative projects selected to improve the quality of health care](#)

26th July 2016

Source: Health Foundation

Projects selected include: an avatar-based virtual nurse app to address urgent care; embedding a bio-psycho-social model of care in a dementia service.

Leadership

[Help ensure the role of primary care role in STPs](#)

8th July 2016

Source: NHS Networks

The National Association of Primary Care (NAPC) is running a short survey for primary care providers on the involvement of primary care in STP planning; results will be shared with NHS England.

[Clinical Commissioning: GP's in charge?](#)

12th July 2016

Source: The King's Fund

The report outlines lessons for CCGs as they seek to strengthen clinical engagement and work more closely with general practice.

[Successful change agents](#)

15th July 2016

Source: NHS Networks

This one-day workshop is for managers undergoing and supporting staff through change programmes.

[NAPC practice finance survey](#)

15th July 2016

Source: NHS Networks

NAPC is working with NHS England to produce a report and guide for practices around finance in primary medical care.

More doctors are engaged in commissioning under CCGs

Lacobucci, G., 2016, British Medical Journal, 354i3875

CCGs have secured better clinical engagement than previous forms of commissioning in England but need greater support from politicians to make "tough prioritisation decisions".

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[Is bigger better? Lessons for large scale general practice](#)

19th July 2016

Source: Nuffield Trust

This report shows that three quarters of English practices have now joined large-scale GP organisations, formed to help cope with rising pressure and policies demanding longer hours and new services.

General practice's share of health spending falls again

21st July 2016

Source: HSI

General practice's share of the total Department of Health budget fell by 1.2 percentage points in 2015-16, the department's accounts suggest.

Appraisal training for practice managers

22nd July 2016

Source: NHS Networks

A well-planned appraisal process can ensure that managers get the best from their staff. This workshop runs on 13 October in Leeds, 20 October in London and 25 October in Manchester.

Talking Leadership: Sarah Massie on developing compassionate leadership through mindfulness

26th July 2016

Source: The King's Fund

Sarah Massie, a senior leadership consultant with The King's Fund, sets out her views on how mindfulness & compassionate leadership are essential skills for leaders in NHS organisations.

Skill Mix & Workforce Planning

Staffing matters; funding counts

11th July 2016

Source: The Health Foundation

This report suggests that Physician associates are unlikely to provide an 'essential' role in filling workforce gaps in the NHS in the near future, and funding could be better spent on existing roles.

Staffing matters; funding counts: an analysis of workforce profile and trends in the English NHS

15th July 2016

Source: The Health Foundation

Examines the NHS workforce in England, including health labour market trends; relevant international data and comparisons from other countries and a series of specific 'pressure points'.

Large general practice groups 'improving nurse training'

20th July 2016

Source: The Nursing Times

Nurses and healthcare assistants working for new large-scale general practice organisations are benefitting from extra training and peer support which is leading to improved retention rates.

How we are utilising pharmacists' skills in our general practice

18th July 2016

Source: Clinical Pharmacist

A wider variety of healthcare individuals on the frontline with our GPs is the way forward to reduce GP's workload and improve patient care, argues the Clinical Lead and Founder of The Practice Group.

Workforce profile and trends in the English NHS

22nd July 2016

Source: The Health Foundation

A report by The Health Foundation examines the profile and features of the NHS workforce in England.

Telehealth

[Health and digital: reducing inequalities, improving society - an evaluation of the Widening Digital Participation programme](#)

22nd July 2016

Source: *Tinder Foundation/NHS England*

This report presents an evaluation of the key statistics, themes and learnings from the final year of the programme and summarises key findings across the three year programme.

[Do prompts help sustain engagement with digital interventions?](#)

19th July 2016

Source: *The Mental Elf*

Describes the findings of a recent systematic review looking at the effectiveness of prompts to promote engagement with digital interventions.

[Highlights from King's Fund digital health and care congress](#)

14th July 2016

Source: *King's Fund*

Presentations from the digital health and care congress, which looked at how technology and data can enable the developments needed to reshape and improve the health and care system.

[Designing digital services around users' needs](#)

13th July 2016

Source: *King's Fund*

Workshop on 6th October 2016 to show digital health service projects.

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