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## COVID-19: Update

### Supporting our members

**The Estates, Facilities & Professional Services Team** have been looking at ways to assist trusts who are putting plans in place for the adoption of ultra-low emitting vehicles to help keep their carbon footprint low as we transition out of the current crisis. Daily global emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> fell by 17% at the peak of the shutdown because of measures taken by governments in response to Covid-19, but as this decrease is expected to be temporary, the UK government is still committed to its ban on the sale of petrol and diesel vehicles (including hybrid vehicles) by 2035, five years earlier than previously planned having made a legal commitment to achieve Net Zero Carbon by 2050. To support trusts to prepare for these changes, the team are offering the [NHS CPC drive framework](#) which will generate significant savings for trusts by offering staff access to pure electric vehicle leases at an affordable cost now that drivers of electric vehicles will pay no Benefit In Kind tax for EV's. If you are interested in accessing this agreement for your trust or would like to discuss this opportunity further please contact [LPPEFPS@lpp.nhs.uk](mailto:LPPEFPS@lpp.nhs.uk) for more details.

The **Medicines Optimisation and Pharmacy Procurement** team continue to work with the Department of Health and Social Care, the Commercial Medicines Unit, other regions, trusts and CCGs to assure access to medicines in high demand during this time.

The **Workforce** team continues to keep members and agencies informed on the latest guidance to ensure staffing needs are met as efficiently as possible as the COVID-19 response evolves. The team are liaising with the Recruitment and Employment Confederation (REC) and agencies on opportunities and suggestions on improving the process for bringing in agency workers into the sector where needed. The team are also working with the Workforce Alliance and suppliers to understand regional demand and trusts experiencing recruitment issues in their area should get in touch for support on [lppworkforcesupport@lpp.nhs.uk](mailto:lppworkforcesupport@lpp.nhs.uk).

### Transitioning through COVID-19

As businesses are beginning to transition to the next phase of their response to COVID-19, the Construction Leadership Council (CLC) has released version four of its Site Operating Procedures (SOP) based on government guidance on working safely during coronavirus. You can download a copy of the [guidance](#).

The NHS LPP **Consultancy** team is working with trusts to adjust to the changing environment as the COVID-19 pandemic evolves. Tailored solutions can be provided in a range of areas to help trusts as they restart and reset services, for more information contact [customer@lpp.nhs.uk](mailto:customer@lpp.nhs.uk)



## Our work with suppliers

We have received almost 300 resilience and mitigation plans from suppliers. The plans are available to members by going to [my.lpp](#) and selecting the category 'COVID-19 supplier resilience plans'.

Of these suppliers, NHS LPP also sought information for members from [100 identified critical suppliers](#). Their responses can be found by going to [my.lpp](#) and selecting the category 'Critical Supplier Q&A'.

We have also compiled a [useful list of contacts](#) giving information on where to signpost suppliers offering PPE, ventilators and other essential services.

In addition, the NHS LPP team has had many suppliers offering services, which we have compiled in our own NHS LPP [Offers from Suppliers](#) list.

## Your questions answered

Our team have been supporting members and suppliers with answers to their questions. Answers to our latest questions are available to members on [my.lpp](#).

## Coronavirus guidance

Latest public information and advice on COVID-19 from:

- [NHS website](#)
- [GOV.UK](#)

## Get in touch

Please continue to reach out to your regular contact in NHS LPP, however, if you do not receive a response please refer to our updated [contact list](#) or please email [customer@lpp.nhs.uk](mailto:customer@lpp.nhs.uk) This inbox will be monitored around the clock to ensure we continue to receive your enquiries and maintain our high standard of service. If you would like to give feedback on this bulletin or make suggestions for future updates please contact [customer@lpp.nhs.uk](mailto:customer@lpp.nhs.uk). If you are not yet an NHS LPP member and wish to hear more contact us at [customer@lpp.nhs.uk](mailto:customer@lpp.nhs.uk).

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