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COVID-19: Update

Supporting our members

We are adapting the weekly COVID-19 Update in response to the evolving coronavirus situation. Our next update on 18th June will be a new, fortnightly NHS LPP Bulletin to keep trusts updated on our latest advice as they transition through the pandemic. The short, five-minute read will share our top tips from our experts to help keep you armed with the best knowledge as health services prepare to restart and reset following the crisis.

The **Medicines Optimisation & Pharmacy Procurement** team has been hosting the short-life Working Group for London Region Care Homes Pharmacy Response, at the request of the Chief Pharmacist for London, NHS England and Improvement. A baseline assessment has been completed across the region in relation to pharmacy support for care homes and the results have been discussed locally. The group will now work together to share best practice and move forward with further work to drive improvements in the delivery of these services.

The **Workforce team** has granted a further six-month extension to the [National Clinical Staffing](#) framework to provide trusts with the appropriate cover for locums and nurses. This framework will now expire in February 2021. If you have any queries or questions please contact the team on workforcesupport@lpp.nhs.uk.

The **Estates, Facilities & Professional Services** has generated a list of NHS LPP services which can support trusts in restructuring their estates post-COVID. Lists related to the following services are available: space redesign – [Estate Professional Services DPS](#), building alterations – [Medium Value Works Framework](#), repairs & renewals – [Minor Work & Maintenance DPS](#), remote interpretation services – [Language Services DPS](#), modular buildings – [Medium Value Works Framework](#), legal issues – [Legal Services Framework](#). If you would like to discuss any other requirements please contact the team on LPPEFPS@lpp.nhs.uk.

Transitioning through COVID-19

The NHS LPP **Consultancy** team is available to support 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 including organisational design, work planning and returning to operational readiness, estates and financial planning and procurement functions such as contract and supply chain management. The team of consultancy specialists can provide strategic advice and services to trusts at a fraction of the cost of the private sector, with the added advantage of the expertise of the health landscape and the NHS LPP business intelligence. For more information contact 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 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. If you are not yet an NHS LPP member and wish to hear more contact us at customer@lpp.nhs.uk.

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