

Newsflash: Flu Training Update



This week the company has announced that flu training time for pharmacists will be paid for.

Last year we were able to challenge the Boots Executive team about the time taken to deliver eLearning flu training. From those members who responded to our survey, approximately 80% of you told us that you had completed the eLearning for flu in your own time.

We took this directly to the Boots executive team with a proposal of any training for services requiring national training to be funded correctly.

We were delighted to see that time was given back through the Lets Connect events earlier in the year for the completion of Summary Care Records eLearning and more recently services like the Meningitis B Vaccination being funded correctly and this month our pharmacist population will receive a reimbursement of 2 hours for the completion of eHealth Record training.

The great news doesn't stop there, with the Flu vaccination service going from strength to strength every year in all our home countries the company has agreed to pay our Pharmacists to complete this training. A payment of 4.5 hours will be made in September for those colleagues who have completed the training and are delivering the service.

Being paid for eLearning training is a big step forward. It recognises the commitment of our members to delivering great patient care and we would urge everyone to ensure that they complete the eLearning especially for Health Record.

Commenting on this success, Paul Robinson (BPA CEO) said:

'We are delighted that our new way of working with the company has produced such positive results for our Community Pharmacist population. Our aspiration is for all Boots pharmacists to be members of the BPA, as this better enables us to work together to achieve even more for our pharmacists.'

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