

# **Primary Care Network Bulletin: December 2023**



### Season's Greetings!

Wishing you all a happy holiday season and best wishes for next year!



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## **GatewayC November Cancer Forum**

The GatewayC November Cancer Forum on the 21<sup>st</sup> of November was hosted by Dr Sarah Taylor and expert consultants, covering:

- Head and Neck Cancer
- Late Effects of Cancer Treatment
- Upper GI Cancers
- Renal, Bladder and Testicular Cancers

Watch the forum on demand here: <u>The Cancer Forum, November 2023 - YouTube</u>

Existing infographics and fast facts include:

Head and Neck Infographic

Head and Neck Fast Facts

Upper GI Infographic

Upper GI webinar

#### Renal, Bladder and Testicular Cancers webinar

Includes a Cancer Waiting Time explanation regarding the removal of the "2 week wait" target at 27:28 and achieving the 28-day Faster Diagnosis Standard.

Cancer Academy Haematuria Module:

<u>Haematuria - Greater Manchester Cancer</u> <u>Academy (gmcanceracademy.org.uk)</u>

Next Cancer Forum: Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2024, 12:30-4:30. Admin and Non-Medical Forum.

### **THANK YOU!**

On behalf of the GM Cancer Alliance, thank you all for your hard work this year, especially on the "This Van Can" prostate case finding project and implementing FIT in Primary Care. We are looking forward to continuing our work together in 2024!

We will be publishing our next PCN Bulletin in February 2024.

# **Fingertips Training - OHID**

The Population Health Analysis Unit in OHID is delivering Introductory Fingertips training on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2024 at 9.30 am and 29<sup>th</sup> February at 1.30pm.

The session is aimed at beginners who would like to build their confidence using the <u>Fingertips public health profiles</u>. <u>Fingertips</u> is a large public health data collection. It presents a wide range of data indicators for different localities allowing comparisons between areas and to a chosen benchmark. Fingertips helps to highlight issues that can affect health in a selected locality or geography and can be used to effectively target activity to improve the health of your local population and reduce health inequalities.

The session will take place on MS Teams and will include:

- An introduction to Fingertips what it is and where to find it
- A demo of the tool how to navigate around, plus tips and tricks for finding what you need
- Interactive exercises to give you hands on experience with the tool

There will also be opportunities to ask questions. To attend the session, register via Ticket Tailor

30th January 2024 at 9.30 am https://buytickets.at/dhsc2/1076414

29th February 2024 at 1.30 pm https://buytickets.at/dhsc2/1076427

Places are limited and will be awarded on a first come, first served basis.

# IRMER

The IRMER Pilot is a streamlined training programme developed using e-learning modules to simplify and shorten the process of Non-Medical Healthcare Professionals in primary care requesting a chest x-ray for a suspected lung cancer.

The learner is required to complete an e-IRMER package before applying to become a referrer.

The time commitment for the 4 mandatory IRMER modules is 3 hours, with an optional 1 hour module on early diagnosis.

#### Colorectal Stakeholder Event

The GM Colorectal Stakeholder Event is a whole-system event that will take place on Tuesday the 6<sup>th</sup> of February 2024 at the LifeCentre, Sale.

This event will raise the profile of colorectal cancer in GM; share the vision for the future; and celebrate key successes in the diagnosis, treatment, care and support of patients. Please share with your networks.

There will be a session on "Lower GI Referral Pathways" presented by Dr Sarah Taylor, GP Cancer Lead for Early Diagnosis and Ali Jones, Director of Cancer Commissioning and Early Diagnosis.

# **Invitation for Poster Submission**

The organisers are now accepting poster submissions for display at the event, that will also feature in a poster competition on the day of the event. The deadline for poster submission is 12<sup>th</sup> January 2024

They are accepting submissions focusing on service improvements, research or best practice relating to bowel cancer in Greater Manchester and East Cheshire. If you would like to submit a poster, please email a PDF copy of your submission to <a href="mailto:gmcancer.academy@nhs.net">gmcancer.academy@nhs.net</a> for review by 12th January 2024. There is an internal review process in place for poster submissions, we will be in touch by 16th January 2024 to confirm whether your submission has been successful.

### **Accurx Questionnaire for Breast Cancer Risk Assessment**

This AccuRx questionnaire can be used to assess a patient's risk of breast cancer. It is easy to install:

https://web.accurx.com/import/t6sabar7fx

# **GatewayC's new Screening Courses**

GatewayC have released three new Screening Courses for primary care clinicians. These free, 1-hour CPD courses cover bowel, breast, and cervical screening programmes, to support primary care in increasing screening uptake.

Start GatewayC's Screening courses

# **Self-Referral Chest X-ray in Bury and HMR**

FAO Bury & HMR PCNs: As previously communicated, the Self-Referral Chest X-Ray pilot remains live in Bury and HMR until March 2024. Patients who meet the below eligibility criteria can access an X-Ray directly via walk in without the need for a GP referral.

Age over 40 years and not had a Chest CT or X-Ray for the last 3 months, plus one or more of the following for more than 3 weeks:

- Cough
- Fatigue
- Shortness of breath
- Chest pain
- Weight loss
- Appetite loss
- Coughing up blood

### For more information go to

<u>www.gmcancer.org.uk/chestxray/</u> or contact michael.armstrong4@nhs.net

### **Volunteers for Curator**

We are looking for volunteers to help develop Curator, the new data platform for cancer and primary care.

Please get in touch with Gmcancer.earlydiagnosis-primarycare@nhs.net

# Coming soon....

- ✓ PCN Cancer Leads Session 23<sup>rd</sup> January
- ✓ Quality Improvement for Early Cancer Diagnosis Training Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December QI Training Early Cancer Diagnosis Tickets, Mon 11 Dec 2023 at 09:30 | Eventbrite.
- ✓ Cancer Academy free education days Greater Manchester Cancer Academy (gmcanceracademy.org.uk)

Any feedback or queries please direct to:

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