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To Practice Managers for dissemination to:  
Practice Nurses and Senior Partners

Dear Practice Manager / Practice Nurse / Senior Partner

**Updated Patient Group Directions (PGD) enclosed.**

The current PGDs listed below have been updated and replaced as followings:

Current PGD in place	Will be replaced by the following national PHE PGDs
PHE Pneumococcal Polysaccharide Vaccine (PPV23) PGD v02.00 (PHE Gateway number 2016262)  (expiry 31/08/2020)	<b>PHE Pneumococcal Polysaccharide Vaccine (PPV23) PGD v03.00</b> (PHE gateway number: GW-1457)
PHE Live Attenuated Influenza Vaccine (LAIV) nasal spray (Fluenz Tetra) PGD v08.00 (PHE Gateway number: GW-498)  (expiry 31/03/2020)	<b>PHE Live Attenuated Influenza Vaccine nasal spray (Fluenz Tetra) PGD v09.00</b> (PHE gateway number: GW-1458) Live Attenuated Influenza Vaccine (LAIV) nasal spray suspension
PHE Inactivated Influenza Vaccines PGD v07.00 (PHE Gateway number: 497)  (expiry date: 31 March 2020)	<b>PHE Inactivated influenza vaccine PGD v08.00</b> (PHE publications gateway number: GW-1533)

The new PGDs have been produced nationally by PHE and authorised by NHS England and NHS Improvement (NHSE&I), for use by practices and NHS commissioned services within the North East and Yorkshire region.

The three PHE PGDs have been produced to support the national immunisation programme and will replace the current versions from **1<sup>st</sup> September 2020**.

**For each PGD, it is advisable to take a master copy of the blank PGD to keep on file should you need it for a newly appointed nurse.** I would be grateful if you could ensure that these PGDs are read, agreed and signed by all nurses they apply to. (Please refer to the section 7-“Practitioner authorisation sheet” of the PGD.”



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For each practice nurse PGDs should be authorised by the authorising manager on behalf of the practice. Once completed, a copy of the management & monitoring form should be given to each nurse, with the original practice copies being kept on file by the practice (in your Clinical Governance Handbook or equivalent). Replaced PGDs should be filed and kept as a record of practice.

Current PGDs can be found at <http://medicines.necsu.nhs.uk/resources/patient-group-directions/>

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact either myself, Sue White (Tel: 0191 217 2533/ email: [sue.white14@nhs.net](mailto:sue.white14@nhs.net)) or the NHS England Screening and Immunisation Team (SIT) Tel. 011382 53017 or Email: [england.cane.screeningimms@nhs.net](mailto:england.cane.screeningimms@nhs.net)

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