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## ONLINE ACCESS TO RECORDS: DATA BREACHES FROM MISFILING OF RECORDS

The General Practitioners Committee (GPC) continues to work on this topic and seeks to make the whole project fit for purpose. They have noted <u>numerous concerns</u> about how this was imposed on the profession.

The GPC is now requesting that details of any examples of potential or actual harm that have arisen from the accidental misfiling of data / letters in the wrong patient's record, or when information should have been withheld from online view in order to prevent harm, but was not, and which has only come to light now more patients have access to their records, are forwarded to <a href="mailto:info.gpc@bma.org.uk">info.gpc@bma.org.uk</a>.

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## BUYING GROUP RECRUITMENT SUPPORT

Article provided by Ashleigh Beer, Business Support Officer, Plexus Support Services

The LMC Buying Group understand that recruitment is often an expensive and time-consuming business, so they created an eye-catching, easy to use recruitment page where any registered member can post their clinical and non-clinical vacancies at no cost. They also offer practices the opportunity to feature their vacancies with a featured package which comes at a small fee.

What they offer

As well as posting the job on their website, they also highlight any new job posting at least once across their social media platforms. This is a free service to any member practice interested in expanding their vacancy reach beyond their region.

They have also introduced a 'Featured Job' option for those members that want to draw more attention to their advert. The featured role will appear at the top of the Jobs page in a bright colour and be highlighted on their social media channels each week for a month. This service only costs £50 + VAT.

To place an advert, visit the <u>Jobs page</u> and upload your vacancy using the application form template. If you choose the Featured Advert option, they will send you an invoice once the advert has been posted online.

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### ELECTED MEMBER VACANCY ON SHEFFIELD LMC

The LMC's primary function is to represent Sheffield GPs and, therefore, it is extremely important that local GPs have a means of debating the important topical issues and influencing or making policy in order to represent the breadth of general practice in Sheffield.

Further details of the work of the LMC can be found here.

We are always keen to welcome new members, whether co-opted to an elected member vacancy or as an observer for an initial period. Membership is open to all GPs (Partners, Salaried, Locum etc) who contribute to our levies and are on the National Medical Performers List.

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Details of current LMC members can be found here.

Meetings of the full LMC are held on the second Monday of the month at 7.45 pm. These are mainly held via Zoom, with approximately quarterly meetings being held at Kenwood Hall Hotel. The meetings offer an opportunity to keep abreast of topical issues in General Practice, with the chance to air your views and concerns with other GPs working in the same city. Participation in discussions is always encouraged. Much of the content can be used for professional development, and notes of meetings can be accepted as part of your PDP. It is a great opportunity to learn and contribute to current policy issues. It is also a chance to meet and discuss these issues with a broad range of GPs across different types of practices in our city.

In addition to attending monthly meetings, members are welcome to represent the LMC on other committees, with LMC Executive support, and this additional meeting attendance is funded by the organisers of the committees or the LMC.

If you are interested in joining the LMC, would like more information about what being a member involves, or are interested in attending a number of meetings as an observer initially, please do not hesitate to contact Margaret Wicks, LMC Manager via <a href="mailto:manager@sheffieldlmc.org.uk">manager@sheffieldlmc.org.uk</a> or (0114) 2588755.

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# SESSIONAL GPS E-NEWSLETTER: DECEMBER 2023

The latest edition of the Sessional GPs e-newsletter can be found on the British Medical Association (BMA) website <u>here</u>. The main articles include:

- Reduced Locum Opportunities
- Workload Control Guidance
- Appraisal Platforms
- Contract Checking for Salaried and Locum GPs
- Know your Rights Week
- Dr Diary Update
- Type 2 Practitioner Form Publication
- Visa restrictions for international doctor's families survey

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Please forward any articles for inclusion in the LMC newsletter to manager@sheffieldlmc.org.uk

Submission deadlines can be found here

Contact details for Sheffield LMC Executive can be found <a href="here">here</a>

Contact details for Sheffield LMC Secretariat can be found here



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