

Local Decision Making about Medicines:

Supporting PCTs to meet the new NHS Constitution responsibilities to their patients and the public

An afternoon seminar for key PCT commissioners explaining the implications of the new NHS Constitution for local decision making about medicines and the support / guidance being developed by the NPC

Programme

- 12.15pm** Buffet Lunch
- 13.00pm** Welcome and Introduction - NPC Chairman
- 13.10pm** Setting the Scene: the NHS Constitution work stream – **Simon Reeve**, Head of Clinical & Cost Effectiveness, Medicines Pharmacy & Industry or **Colin Pearson**, Section Head - General Prescribing Issues, Department of Health
- 13.30pm** Report on NPC's PCT Survey Results and Guiding Principles – **Clive Jackson**, Chief Executive, National Prescribing Centre
- 14.00pm** An introduction to the PCT Handbook – **Cathy Picton**, NPC Project Manager for the Handbook
- 14.30pm** Round Table Workgroup discussions (with coffee) – All delegates
- 15.15pm** A perspective from the NHS Confederation – **Daphne Austin**, Consultant in Public Health West Midlands Specialised Commissioning Team or **David Stout**, Director of PCT Network, NHS Confederation.
- 15.35pm** Questions and Answers
- 16.00pm** Close and depart

Four regional seminars are being held in Swindon, Leeds, Hinckley and London