

NEWS RELEASE

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Getting ahead in the new NHS – seminar for pharmaceuticals and life sciences sector

Matthew Arnold & Baldwin LLP is delighted to announce that, in conjunction with the Pharmaceutical Networking Group (PING) and the Watford Chamber of Commerce, and in association with Sigma Pharmaceuticals Plc and the Independent Pharmacy Federation, that it will be hosting an exclusive, invitation-only, lunchtime seminar on Tuesday 18 June 2013, entitled 'Getting ahead in the NHS'.

The third in this series of industry shaping events, this seminar will see speakers from across the industry share best practice and their own experiences working in the ever-evolving NHS, as well as providing an opportunity for delegates to network with colleagues from a range of related fields. With ever dwindling budgets

Howard Stoate, Chair of the Bexley Clinical Commissioning Group, will bring attendees information on Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) from the doctor's perspective. He will give an overview of the new NHS structure and share his experiences as a lead player at one of the pioneering CCGs. Graham Jones, Chair of Health and Wellbeing Board for West Berkshire Council, will give the perspective of the Health and Wellbeing Board.

Rod While, Head of Commissioning Strategy and Implementation at Luton Clinical Commissioning Group, will look at what information suppliers need to have, who the key people are and how to stay ahead of the game and maximise a competitive edge. He will also consider the key issues facing CCGs (both now and in the future), leading the industry in considering how best to work with CCGs.

The afternoon will commence with lunch from 12:15pm, with the presentations starting from 1pm, followed by a question and answer session. There will also be an opportunity for networking afterwards.

Previous seminars have considered 'The Future of Pharma' and 'The Medicine Supply Shortage'.

Matthew Arnold & Baldwin is committed to following the team's motto of 'bringing excellence to life, together'. As well as hosting these bi-annual events, the firm is heavily involved in the work of PING – which was established in conjunction with the Watford Chamber of Commerce

and Watford Council – and invests heavily in ensuring that the firm’s team is able to offer holistic, commercially-focussed and astute advice. Core to this is the firm’s ability to draw on decades of experience within complementary areas of law, including e-commerce, m-commerce, IT, data protection, technology and telecommunications.

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