

## Community Pharmacy Update May 2017

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### **IMPORTANT**

### **CLAIMING PAYMENT FOR THE MINOR AILMENT SCHEME (MAS)**

We recently became aware that a number of pharmacies had not sent the Minor Ailment invoices to SBS in Wakefield.

Communication via PharmOutcomes to providers to remind them of this has resulted in a large number of providers submitting invoices dating back to 2015/16.

As a gesture of good will and appreciating that the claims process differs between commissioning organisations, the CCG has agreed to honour these invoices on this occasion.

Going forward can I remind providers of the requirements regarding claiming payment, as detailed in the service specification;

1. Pharmacy providers are encouraged to process claims for payment on a quarterly basis, however, monthly claims are acceptable.
2. The Pharmacy provider will send via post the associated invoice to SBS (at the same time) each month or quarter. The invoice must be sent as a hard copy to;

NHS Shared Business Service (**Invoice processing**)  
NHS Trafford CCG 020A Payables L155  
Phoenix House  
Topcliffe Lane  
Tingley  
Wakefield  
WF3 1WE

3. **The CCG will only consider back dated submissions in exceptional circumstances, where they relate to the current financial year.**

If you have any questions relating to the claims process please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

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