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Sheffield Pharmacy Briefing

The Provision of Stop Smoking Services delivered by Yorkshire Smokefree Sheffield 1 October 2017 – 2020.

I would like to inform you that South West Yorkshire NHS Partnership Foundation Trust – Yorkshire Smokefree Sheffield - has been awarded the contract for The Provision of **Adult** Stop Smoking Services in Sheffield commencing 1 October 2017 – 2020.

There will be a separate service for young people therefore anyone under the age of 18 should be referred directly to that service.

The provider for the young people service is ZEST Community which is based at Upperthorpe, Sheffield. ZEST is currently working on a referral pathway for this service. Until this is completed all referrals will be dealt with at the adult service. We will inform you of the referral details on completion. Any referral for someone under 18 years of age should be referred to this service.

This does not affect the dispensing of vouchers for children and young people under 18 years of age.

The adult service will comprise of two tiers for smoking cessation.
(See appendix 1)

Tier 1 - Universal Service

This service will be available for smokers who live in Sheffield and are not categorised as being from a priority group.

- Will be determined by a triage process carried out at point of access as detailed in appendix 2.
- Clients will be provided with support through referral to a stop smoking group and self-purchase medication (Nicotine Replacement Therapy).
- Clients will be given details of where they can self-purchase nicotine replacement products and instruction of how to use the medication.
- Groups will be offered on a rolling programme basis intended for client to 'dip in and out'. The location of the groups will be set up in 4 localities of the City including the City Centre.
- Currently there are groups set up at Victoria Hall in the City Centre of Sheffield and at Woodhouse Medical Centre. The times of the groups will be 6pm to 8pm. Other areas will be North and West Sheffield but are not confirmed as yet. The service would appreciate that anyone interested in quitting smoking to be referred directly into the central service so that the triage process can be carried out, unless the pharmacy is currently a provider.

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Tier 2 - Priority Service

- Available to smokers who live in Sheffield and who are identified as being from a priority group (see appendix 2).
- The appropriate pathways will be determined by a robust triage process offered at point of contact.
- Clients will be supported on a 1-1 basis for 12 weeks with medication provided by the service through a voucher scheme or a PGD.
- Support will continue to be delivered by the core service, GP practices and pharmacies.
- Pharmacies that participate in the provision of stop smoking services can refer clients directly into the priority service that is provided within their pharmacy. For all other clients or for pharmacies that do not provide the service then please direct customers to the core service. The number to refer is 0114 3216149 and referral cards will be delivered to pharmacies. please refer directly into the central service.
- Payments generated for pharmacies that are providing the service for priority quits will be set at £5.00 for a quit date set and £42.00 for a 12-week CO verified quit. Payments for dispensing vouchers will remain the same.
- The service will continue to provide Nicotine replacement therapies via a voucher scheme and continue to offer Varenicline (Champix) via the PGD.
- As Champix is no longer categorised as a black triangle drug, there will be a revised PGD that will reflect these changes. This change has now been approved by the Therapeutics and Drugs Committee within SWYPT. The revised PGD will be sent out with a corresponding service level agreement to all participating pharmacies currently in the scheme.
- A PGD for Bupropion (Zyban) will also be introduced without the need for a GP prescription, subject to conditions set out in the PGD. This has now also been approved by the committee and will be discussed at training sessions to be planned.
- The service would be grateful if pharmacists would be happy to sign the service level agreement to provide Bupropion via the PGD as this will ensure that there is extensive provision across Sheffield for all medications available. This will be sent out to pharmacies once completed.
- From 1 October 2017, the service will hold 100% of the prescribing budget for stop smoking medications, therefore any prescriptions given outside of the stop smoking service will not be reimbursed by CCG.
- This will encourage all GP's to refer to the specialist service.

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- Due to this there will be an increase in vouchers given for all drugs available from the service. Therefore, apart from the pregnancy service (commissioned by CCG) all stop smoking medications will be now be given on a voucher and not an FP10.
- The service will be offering training sessions for the PGD for Bupropion and an update for the PGD for Varenicline.
- The Specialist service will maintain a presence within the Sheffield Moor Market.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all pharmacies for their continued support to the stop smoking service and look forward to working collaboratively in the future. If you would like any further information then please do not hesitate to contact the service.

Kind regards

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Appendix 1

Service Model



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Appendix 2

Priority Groups

Routine and Manual Workers (R&M)

Black and Minority Ethnic (BME)

Mental Health

Learning Disability

Offenders

Most Deprived Neighbourhoods in Sheffield (top 40%)

Immediate households of pregnant women who are being supported to quit through Specialist Stop Smoking Midwives

LGBT

UK Armed Forces Veterans

Any household with children under 19

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