

Community Pharmacy Bulletin

News and Updates from your Area Team

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1. Quality Payments – February 2019 Declaration

NHS England published guidance on 27th November 2018 for the February 2019 Quality Payments Scheme review point.

Declarations for the 15 February 2019 review point will open on Monday 4 February 2019 at 09:00 and will close on Friday 1 March 2019 at 23:59.

The guidance document provides information on how community pharmacy contractors can meet the revised gateway and quality criteria requirements. Contractors are strongly advised to read the guidance in order to understand the Quality Payments Scheme requirements. The new guidance should be read in conjunction with previously published guidance documents.

All guidance documents can be found on the NHS England website by following the link below:

https://www.england.nhs.uk/commissioning/primarycare/pharmacy/framework/pgp/?utm_source=PSNC+Newsletter&utm_campaign=93a6e2c55aEMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2018_11_26_05_00&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_b5ca69e1d1-93a6e2c55a-48557229

2. Health Promotion Campaigns 2019/2020

NHS England and PSNC have agreed the following National Public Health Campaign topics:

1. Mid-February 2019 to mid-March 2019	Help Us Help You Pharmacy Campaign (formerly Stay Well Pharmacy)
2. Mid-May 2019 to mid-June 2019	Children's Oral health / Smile Month (in line with the training currently being incentivised by QPS)
3. September 2019	Antimicrobial resistance
4. October 2019	Stoptober
5. November 2019 / December 2019	Help Us Help You main winter campaign (formally Stay well this Winter)
6. January 2020	Alcohol

More detail regarding these will be circulated before the campaigns.

Please ensure that you have submitted your Health Promotion Campaigns Annual Summary sheet for 2018



Annual Summary
Sheet 2018.xls

3. Falsified Medicines Directive scanning and authentication process

The Falsified Medicines Directive scanning and authentication process comes into effect from 9th February 2019. Make sure you are ready.

There is detailed information and guidance available on the PSNC website here: <https://psnc.org.uk/contract-it/pharmacy-regulation/falsified-medicines-directive/>

4. Notification of Pharmacy Changes

Please note that contractors are required to notify NHS England, via PCSE (website <https://pcse.england.nhs.uk/services/market-entry/>), for the following pharmacy changes:

- Change of ownership
- Change of superintendent
- Change of director
- Relocation of pharmacy

Failure to do so could result in a remedial notice being issued. A consequence of failing to notify us of change of director is that when the NHSBSA receives a request to change bank details from a new director we are contacted for confirmation that the request is valid, and if we have not been notified, then we cannot provide this confirmation, causing delays in processing the request.

Please ensure that you follow the correct procedure when any such changes occur within your company.

The forms are available on the following link:

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/commissioning/primary-care/pharmacy/app-forms/>

Changes to opening Hours

Contractors should contact Alan Spicer (alan.spicer@nhs.net) to apply for changes to opening hours (supplementary and/or core hours). Please note that three months' notice is required.

5. Notification of investigations or proceedings

As stated in Terms of Service of NHS Pharmacists, Schedule 4, Part 4, paragraph 31 (1), contractors must notify NHS England, in writing, within 7 days of any investigation or proceedings regarding fitness matters, as they arise, of an NHS pharmacist, or in the case of a body corporate, every director and superintendent. This includes any investigation by GPhC, and investigation/charge/conviction of a criminal offence.

6. Primary Care Pharmacy Team Contact Details

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