



Daily Update

Friday 15th January 2021

This daily update contains important information for community pharmacy teams about the ongoing response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

In today's update: DMS Toolkit published; CEO message; January 2021 Price Concessions; and supply notifications.

Discharge Medicines Service Toolkit published

NHS England and NHS Improvement (NHSE&I) have today published the [**NHS Discharge Medicines Service \(DMS\) Toolkit for Pharmacy Staff in Community, Primary and Secondary Care.**](#)

The toolkit aims to assist and support cross sector implementation of the DMS as an Essential service in all NHS community pharmacies in England. It sets out the shared responsibilities and roles of pharmacy teams in community pharmacy, NHS Trusts and Primary Care Networks (PCNs) in ensuring patient safety, better patient outcomes and medicines reconciliation on discharge.

In preparation for the DMS becoming a new Essential service within the Community Pharmacy Contractual Framework (CPCF) from 15th February 2021, contractors should review their staff training and competence to ensure relevant staff, including pharmacists and pharmacy technicians, who will be involved in providing the service, have the necessary knowledge and competence to undertake it safely.

To assist contractors with preparation, PSNC has published a [**checklist**](#) that contractors may use to guide them through some of the required actions.

[**Click here to read our full story and download the toolkit**](#)

Video message from PSNC CEO

PSNC Chief Executive Simon Dukes has recorded a new video message for community pharmacy contractors and their teams.

In the video Simon reflects on the extraordinary year just passed and looks to the challenges ahead, noting in particular the stoicism and commitment of community pharmacy teams and calling for an end to the slow responses from policy makers that we have seen throughout the pandemic.

[**Watch Simon's message here**](#)

January 2021 Price Concessions - 1st Update

The Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) has today granted a list of initial price concessions for January 2021.

[Click here to view the list in full](#)

Medicines Supply Notifications

The DHSC has also released some medicines supply notifications which community pharmacy teams may need to be aware of. Please click the links below for more information:

- [Normacol granules and Normacol Plus granules](#)
- [Sancuso \(granisetron\) 3.1mg/24 hours transdermal patches](#)
- [Fluoxetine 30mg capsules \(Advanz\)](#)
- [Dulcolax \(bisacodyl\) - 5mg and 10mg suppositories](#)

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