From 1st October 2011, where a patient agrees to participate in the New Medicine Service (NMS) or the Medicines Use Review (MUR) service they must sign a consent form which uses the following wording:

Consent to participate in the NHS New Medicine Service/NHS Medicines Use Review Service

I agree that the information obtained during the service can be shared with:

- my doctor (GP) to help them provide care to me
- the Primary Care Trust (PCT - the local health authority) or successor organisation to allow them to make sure the service is being provided properly by the pharmacy
- the Primary Care Trust (PCT) or successor organisation, the NHS Business Services Authority (NHSBSA) and the Secretary of State for Health to make sure the pharmacy is being correctly paid by the NHS for the service they give me.

Following the changes to the contracting arrangements for the Community Pharmacy Contractual Framework in April 2013, the following revised wording must be used by pharmacy contractors as soon as practicable.

NHS England, NHS Employers and PSNC recognise that pharmacy contractors will wish to use up stock of consent forms using the original wording, but any reprints of consent forms should use the new wording set out below.

Consent to participate in the NHS New Medicine Service/NHS Medicines Use Review Service (delete as applicable)

I agree that the information obtained during the service can be shared with:

- my doctor (GP) to help them provide care to me
- NHS England (the national NHS body that manages pharmacy and other health services) to allow them to make sure the service is being provided properly by the pharmacy
- NHS England, the NHS Business Services Authority (NHSBSA) and the Secretary of State for Health to make sure the pharmacy is being correctly paid by the NHS for the service they give me.

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1. A template consent form can be downloaded from the PSNC website (www.psnc.org.uk/nms).