

New Pharmacy Contract Briefing

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Welcome to the 10th edition of the Community Pharmacy Contract Briefing. In this issue, we provide you with an update on the new Public Health Services being introduced in all Community Pharmacies across Scotland, disallowed items on MAS, AMS training and an update on the Pharmacy Champions designated areas.

New Public Health Service (PHS)

Scotland's Minister for Public Health, Shona Robison MSP announced on 25 June, new services to be introduced in Scotland's community pharmacies. Three new services were introduced on 29 August 2008 as part of the new pharmacy contract – smoking cessation clinics, emergency hormonal contraception (EHC), and Chlamydia advice, testing and treatment.

If anyone has any questions on the PHS, please contact your local Pharmacy Champion, or Andrea Smith on 01383 565351.

Circular PCA(P)(2008)(17) covers this announcement in further detail, however please find a summary of the circular details below:

The existing two tier Community Pharmacy Public Health Services (PHS) section of the contract is withdrawn and replaced within a single tier comprising of:

Active advice and support to patients to promote healthy lifestyles

Display leaflets etc as provided by the NHS

Participation in health promotion campaigns (national ones compulsory, local optional)

Provide a proactive smoking cessation service

Provide a sexual health service –

- a) Chlamydia testing and treatment.
- b) EHC

A contractor can opt out of providing EHC if they wish, but this does not include the provision of a chlamydia test or treatment, which remain part of the main package.

Fees: See Table Below

Key points and issues

There is no mandatory training for providing these services, however NHS Fife is offering additional training to that available from NES.

Smoking cessation service is as existing in NHS Fife, except pharmacists must be proactive and actively seek quitters. Premises must have an acceptable level of confidentiality. A standard minimum data set should be collected by each pharmacy - pharmacy must carry out one month follow up, 12 week and one year, as well as a CO reading at 1 month. A monthly prescription with instruction to dispense weekly is recommended to reduce waste. There is no minimum time delay before a new attempt can be started. There are no training specifications other than that it should include all staff.

EHC is similar to existing service in NHS Fife except: Pharmacies can opt out for moral or religious reasons. The service is for clients age 13 yrs and over, with no upper age limit.

Pharmacy premises must have an acceptable level of confidentiality.

There is no capitation payment if the supply of EHC is not made.

Chlamydia Screening

Targeted for clients 15 to 24 yrs but available for all over 12yrs.

A national PGD for treatment will be provided, as well as local testing kits.

Pharmacies

For pharmacies unable to provide sufficient confidentiality to provide these services, funding has been allocated for 2009/10 and 2010/11 by the Scottish Government to help incorporate a Consultation Area or Room.

If your pharmacy requires a consultation room or area to provide these additional services, please contact Sheila Dall on 01383 565351 who will provide further details on how to access the funding.

Disallowed items on MAS

We have received feedback that some items are appearing as "disallowed" when making claims for MAS, despite being part of the Formulary. Details can be found in Community Pharmacy Scotland's "MAS pricing guide and pricing rules" guide, which is on www.communitypharmacyscotland.org.uk. Following on from the Pharmacy Champions meeting in August, Dawn Balfour, IM & T Facilitator contacted the pharmacy team at PSD regarding the disallowed prescriptions and the procedure is to:

- Reprint the CP2,
- Endorse accordingly
- Resubmit the CP2
- No other markers are required

The telephone number for any enquiries is 0131 275 7433.

Service	Monthly fee	Set up one off fee	Fee per service delivery
PHS	£750		
Smoking cessation	£60	£985	Currently £25 minimum
Chlamydia	£40	£270	£25
EHC	0	£230	£25

Community Pharmacy Premises Update

Grants for improvement and upgrading to pharmacy premises for 2009/10 and 2010/11 have become available through the Scottish Government – for further details please see NHS circular PCA(P)(2008)21. The priority is to support the completion of upgrading contractor premises where gaps have been identified in providing core and additional services.

As part of the Community Pharmacy Premises Guidance and Assessment Tool (Annex to NHS Circular PCA(P)(2007)28, pharmacies must ensure they provide equality of access for all patients, a waiting area, a consultation area/room, a health promotion area, a professional environment, space for storage of returned medicines and signage detailing the services available from the pharmacy.

Please contact Andrea Smith on 01383 565351 if you wish to apply for these grants for your premises.

AMS Training

The rollout of AMS is ongoing, with currently 22 out of 78 pharmacies in Fife having all of the necessary IT installed and working as at October 2008. At September 2008, over 39,000 electronic prescriptions were processed by 26 Fife Pharmacies, with the highest in any one pharmacy being almost 8,000 prescriptions.

Pharmacy Champions – New Areas

The six Pharmacy Champions in Fife have changed which areas and pharmacies they are responsible for. However, a seventh Champion has recently joined the team, and a further update will be available

following the next Champion meeting in December. Please see below for the updated list showing which Pharmacy Champion covers which pharmacy.

Susan Hill

Davidsons, Thornton
Alliance Pharmacy Buckhaven
C Buchanan Methil
TW Buchanan Leven
Lloyds Pharmacy Kennoway
Leven Pharmacy, Leven
Lundin Links Pharmacy, Lundin Links
Alliance Pharmacy, Methil

Ray Kelly

Davidsons Ladybank
Lloyds Pharmacy, Leslie
Central Pharmacy, Anstruther
T&K Brown, Anstruther
Pittenweem Pharmacy, Pittenweem
Crail Pharmacy, Crail
Boots Cupar
Lloyds Cupar
Bonnygate Pharmacy Cupar
Rowlands Auchtermuchty
Elie Pharmacy, Elie
Davidsons Newburgh
Rowlands Newport on Tay
Vantage Pharmacy, St Andrews
Boots St Andrews
Rowlands Tayport
Morrisons Pharmacy, St Andrews

Martin Jackson

B Johnston Cardenden
Alliance Pharmacy, Cardenden
Aberdour Pharmacy, Aberdour
Co-op Pharmacy, Crossgates
Oakley Pharmacy, Oakley
High Valleyfield, High Valleyfield
Lindsay & Gilmour High Street
Inverkeithing
Lindsay & Gilmour Cross Inverkeithing
Co-op Pharmacy Kelty
Dears Kelty
Co-op Pharmacy, Kincardine
A Robertson & Son chemist Lochgelly

Rosewell Pharmacy Lochore
Rosewell Pharmacy Lochgelly

Aileen Gadd

Gordons, Cowdenbeath
Lloyds Pharmacy, Cowdenbeath
Boots Cowdenbeath
Boots Glenrothes
JCW McIntyre, Glenrothes
Boots, Cos Lane, Glenrothes
Lloyds, Glenwood Centre, Glenrothes
Superdrug Pharmacy, Glenrothes
Graham Pharmacy, Glenrothes
Markinch Pharmacy, Markinch
Boots Dunfermline
A Robertson & son chemist Douglas Street
Dunfermline
A Robertson & son chemist Elliot Street
Dunfermline
Co-op Pharmacy Abbeyview Dunfermline
Co-op Pharmacy St Andrews St
Dunfermline
Alderston Pharmacy, Dunfermline
Lloyds Pharmacy, Kingsgate, Dunfermline
Asda Dunfermline
JBB Dick, Dunfermline
Lloyds Pharmacy Bellyeoman, Dunfermline
Fisher Pharmacy, Dunfermline
Co-op Pharmacy Rosyth
Rowlands Rosyth

Fiona Eastop

Lloyds High Street Burntisland
Lloyds High Street Kinghorn
Boots High Street Kirkcaldy
MacPharm Pharmacy Kirkcaldy
Boots Retail Park, Kirkcaldy
Boots High Street Leven
Co-op Pharmacy, Methil

Dawn Gray

Lloyds High Street, Kirkcaldy
Lloyds, The Postings, Kirkcaldy
Lloyds Dunearn Drive, Kirkcaldy
Asda Kirkcaldy
Lloyds Viceroy Street, Kirkcaldy
Lloyds Whyteman's Brae, Kirkcaldy
Lloyds Mid Street, Kirkcaldy

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