# Pharmacy & Medicines Directorate Weekly Update



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### **Emergency Naloxone Stock Levels**

The <u>latest figures</u> on drug related deaths were published yesterday and show a continuing high number of deaths across Scotland. Behind those figures are real people and their deaths are a tragedy for them, their families and friends and the wider community.



A reminder to check your current levels of emergency naloxone stock. All community pharmacies in NHS Grampian are asked to stock a supply of naloxone for use in emergency situations. Ensuring stock is available can save a life. Replacement stock can be claimed on your regional payments workbook sent to PCCT.

### **Travel Clinics- VMT Update**

Update: we nearly have the green light on moving the travel clinics onto VMT. We will be in touch very soon to advise you of an agreed changeover date.

### **Lung Cancer Awareness**

You should have received the below Lung Cancer Awareness poster for display. Lung Cancer awareness is from 2<sup>nd</sup> August-5<sup>th</sup> September 2022. If you have not received the below poster please contact <a href="mailto:stockorders.DPPAS@theapsgroup.com">stockorders.DPPAS@theapsgroup.com</a>



### Alendronic Acid 70mg Price Adjustment

CPS is aware of the ongoing significant concerns around the availability and price of Alendronic Acid 70mg Tablets throughout July and thank you to you all who have reported this to us to support in their negotiations with Public Health Scotland and Scottish Government. The attached correspondence outlines changes to the adjusted prices page as of Thursday 28th July 2022.

### **Pharmacy First Top Tips!**

Did you know? Unlike the Minor Ailments Scheme, you can prescribe repeat treatments to patients (e.g. for whole of hay fever season), without referring to the GP as long as symptoms are being managed and no exclusion criteria reached.



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Reminder: please continue to log your consultations and GP referrals. Putting through your consultations finally gives all community pharmacies the chance to officially record and be recognised for the valued advice they give all day, every day to the public! Consultation Slips are a good tool as a reminder to log in your PMR.

See Link to all resources on our CP Grampian webpage.

## Community Pharmacy Scotland Newsletter Round-up

Reminder of the important news shared by CPS. If you would like to receive these updates please contact <a href="mailto:enquiries@cps.scot">enquiries@cps.scot</a>. Web links can be accessed by clicking on below graphics.



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### NHS Pharmacy First Scotland – Second Anniversary

With the 2-year anniversary of NHS Pharmacy First Scotland fast approaching we wanted to take this moment to reflect on the service and what it has achieved for the people of Scotland

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#### UK Commission on Pharmacy Professional Leadership - membership of the working groups

The UK Commission on Pharmacy Professional Leadership have asked for a call for expressions of interest for membership of working groups. It will be important to ensure a strong Scottish voice and as



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Have a great weekend from all within the Pharmaceutical Care Services Team.

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