

Pharmacy & Medicines Directorate Weekly Update



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Travel Clinics: VMT Green Light

Travel Clinic Pharmacies can start using the Vaccination Management Tool (VMT) for NHS vaccinations from **Monday 15th August**. Travel claims before this date will still be required to be submitted to:

gram.pharmaceuticalcareservices@nhs.scot.

Reminder all claims are subject to payment verification so we may conduct audits in future and ask for these.

If you have any issues with clinic/vaccination information or missing data please contact the NHS Grampian community pharmacy facilitator team:

gram.cpfacilitators@nhs.scot

Mental Health Open Day Event

Please see the flyer for the upcoming Mental Health Open Day event to be held at Old Aberdeen Medical Practice. If you are aware of any charity or company who would wish to attend this event, please email: mark.robison@nhs.scot.

Reminder: Suicide Prevention Training

Two people in Scotland lose their lives to suicide **every day**. Talking about suicide may feel like a difficult topic of conversation to raise, but this need not be the case.

SAMH run regular Introduction to Suicide Prevention sessions. These aim to build simple skills to increase confidence in discussing suicide and will highlight resources and services which can support people who have thoughts of suicide.

They are delivering day time and evening sessions to cater for those professionals that struggle to attend during the day and they come highly recommended by those who have participated. We encourage you and your staff to sign up using the following links.

If you have any questions, SAMH are happy to receive your email:

NorthEastSuicidePrevention@samh.org.uk

Date	Time	Eventbrite
Wednesday 17th August 2022	2:30pm – 4:30pm	Click to book
Thursday 18th August 2022	2pm - 4pm	Click to book
Wednesday 24th August 2022	2:30pm – 4:30pm	Click to book
Thursday 25th August 2022	3pm – 5pm	Click to book
Tuesday 30th August 2022	10:30am – 12:30pm	Click to book
Tuesday 30th August 2022	2pm – 4pm	Click to book
Wednesday 31 st August 2022	2:30pm – 4:30pm	Click to book
Wednesday 31 st August 2022	6pm - 8pm	Click to Book
Tuesday 6 th September 2022	5:30pm – 7:30pm	Click to Book
Thursday 15 th September 2022	6:30pm – 8:30pm	Click to Book

GMED Contingency Protocols- Professional to Professional Calls

As you may be aware from previous communication, the Adastra software was hit by a cyber-attack. The scale of the incident required GMED to activate its full business continuity plan. This means that GMED have reverted to pen and paper and are trying to minimize the number of referrals that we raise through prof to prof. Note: this is a temporary measure until the Adastra software is back up and running.

GMED are trying to minimise the number of paper records that are produced internally to streamline the process and minimise information governance and patient welfare risks.

Pharmacy: GMED will accept calls that have been triaged by NHS24 to Pharmacy providing the patient remains in the pharmacy.

GMED will not be accepting referrals for patients who walked into pharmacy without prior advice from an NHS 24 call handler and/or are not present in pharmacy.

Medicine Supply Notification- Aripiprazole 10mg tablets

See the attached information on Aripiprazole 10mg tablet shortage. This will be in limited supply until late August 2022. Alternative Strengths and formulations of aripiprazole remain available but no individual product can support a full uplift in demand.

Evorel Sequi Shortage

There is a current shortage of Evorel Sequi. This contains 2 weeks supply of Evorel 50 patches and 2 weeks supply of Evorel Conti patches for each month. In replacement, it is suggested to prescribe the separate components in replacement of attaching the BMS guidance.

Community Pharmacy Scotland Newsletter Round-up



Aug 11, 2022

Alendronic Acid 70mg Tablets Price Adjustment and ...

We are aware of the ongoing significant concerns around the availability and price of Alendronic Acid 70mg Tablets ...

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Aug 11, 2022

Using Supervised Learning Events in Community ...

Webinar - Using Supervised Learning Events in Community Pharmacy - 23rd August 2022 @7.30pm

[Read More →](#)



Aug 9, 2022

Drug Tariff: Items Above Tariff Price

We understand that in the current climate, you and your teams may not have the time to report shortages or items above ...

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Aug 8, 2022

MCR Ready Reckoner

This week's MCR Ready Reckoner has been updated and is now available to download or you can view it via the App.

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Newsletter by,

The Pharmaceutical Care Services Team,

Have a great weekend.

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