

Pharmacy & Medicines Directorate Weekly Update



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Travel Clinics: VMT Update

NHSG Travel Vaccinations on the Vaccination Management Tool (VMT) became live on Monday 15th August.

In the interim of this changeover, we will still require a copy of a patient summary sheet detailing the total number of consultations and vaccinations provided. Individual Patient Forms are no longer required to be sent. We will refer to your submission and VMT records to validate and pay the total owed to you.

Reminder that only NHSG vaccinations should be logged on VMT.

Patient notes are now added from VMT to GP surgery, so you are no longer required to send these.

GOPES

Reminder to continue capturing GOPES information. NHS Grampian does not receive regular feedback on the pressures you currently face in community pharmacy. NHS Grampian use a system called GOPES to report system pressures in real time. This is recorded via a Microsoft Form held by Primary Care Contracts- [Link Here](#). The questions can be answered by anyone on behalf of the pharmacy, but only by one person per return. For consistency you might wish to consider the same person making these judgements whenever possible. Please be as honest as you can, and only the aggregated picture for Grampian will be shared.

Community Pharmacy Work Flow Survey

We acknowledge the ongoing challenges in community pharmacies relating to all elements of pharmaceutical service provision. In discussion with your team, we would like you to detail the top 5 changes we could make to improve community pharmacy workflow. These could be really simple e.g. pharmacies to align prescriptions for patients so all repeats collected at same time, more medium term asks e.g. specific PGD's or the "big asks" such as a shared PCR accessible by acute pharmacy / pharmacotherapy / community pharmacy. [Survey Link Here](#)

Smoking Cessation Video Library and Courses

For anybody looking to undertake a more thorough course in Smoking Cessation, there is an online course hosted by Public Health Scotland: [SSSLP \(publichealthscotland.scot\)](http://publichealthscotland.scot)

The course contains some very informative, short, YouTube Videos which we have catalogued in the attached document. You may find them useful as stand-alone learning videos. It's worth noting the videos around Vaping which give current advice for clients who are keen to use this method.

Smoking Cessation Referral

If you feel a smoking cessation client needs a little more time and input with behavioural change than you are able to offer within the Pharmacy setting, then remember you can refer directly, or the client can self-refer, to the Grampian Smoking Cessation Team. The referral process can be made by email or telephone. The text system, previously used, is no longer in use. Email Healthpoint smoking cessation Team – gram.healthpoint@nhs.scot

Phone Healthline – 08085 20 20 30

Practical Applications in the use of Suboxone Film in community pharmacy: Training

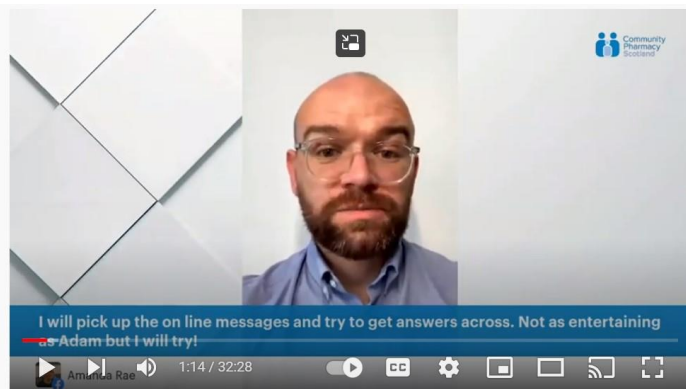


Duncan Hill, specialist pharmacist in substance use NHS Lanarkshire, is delivering a short information session on Suboxone Film on Wednesday 14th September from 6:30pm - 7:15pm.

This product is now on Grampian Formulary and guidance is being updated to include it. It will be the recommended treatment option where buprenorphine and naloxone is prescribed. The product has some specific administration tips which will be covered in the session. Please find the attached flyer for further information.

Pharmacy First Ask Me Anything

Did you miss the latest Pharmacy First Ask me anything stream on the 11th August? A video recording of the stream can be found on YouTube [here](#).



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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

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Community Pharmacy Scotland Newsletter Round-up

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Dermatology Training – Psoriasis and Eczema

This dermatology training event on Psoriasis and Eczema is the first in a series of four being held over the coming months. The training is open to Community Pharmacists



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Teach and Treat for NHS Pharmacy First Plus

Our colleagues at NES have shared the following update on Teach & Treat:

[Read More](#)

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Paperless Dispensing and Prescribing - Update

Please see below a link to the latest newsletter from our colleagues running the Digital Prescribing and Dispensing Pathways programme (DPDP) - this gives an overview of the work done so far, and has



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*Newsletter by,
The Pharmaceutical Care Services Team,
Have a great weekend.*

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