

PRIMARY CARE CONTRACTOR ORGANISATION

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To all community pharmacies in Lothian

Dear Colleague

COMMUNITY PHARMACY: PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE PROVISION OF PROPHYLACTIC ANTIPYRETIC (PARACETAMOL) FOLLOWING THE MENINGOCOCCAL GROUP B VACCINE AND OTHER CHILDHOOD VACCINATIONS

Please find attached Scottish Government circular PCA (P) (2015) 25 which provides information on the above service.

The circular includes a national Patient Group Direction (PGD), for the provision of paracetamol oral suspension for prevention of post immunisation fever following administration of the MenB vaccination. I have attached an authorised NHS Lothian copy of the PGD (Appendix A)

The full document must be read, agreed to and signed by all pharmacists involved in its use. Each pharmacist should complete and sign a copy of the "Individual Authorisation" document on the last page of NHS Lothian's copy of Appendix A.

Once signed, the individual authorisation form should be returned for the attention of Katie Kerr, PCCO, Pentland House, 47 Robb's Loan, Edinburgh, EH14 1TY or for those with a scanning facility by email to CommunityPharmacy.Contract@nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk.

Many thanks for your co-operation in this matter.

Yours sincerely

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