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 Pharmacy and Medicines Division.do	<p>Please find attached papers relating to the recently circulated Serious Shortage Protocols (SSP) for Antibiotic treatment and which also include information on Estraderm.</p> <p>There is also a letter from the Chief Pharmaceutical Officer regarding supporting NHS24 and the OOH service over the New Year Bank holiday weekend which contains information relevant to the supply of Antibiotics via SSP's.</p>

 Primary and Community Care Dire Attached	<p>We would like to remind everyone that SSP protocols should be followed by ensuring that the substitution to another available antibiotic is done so when a prescription for Phenoxymethylpenicillin is presented for supply. If another antibiotic is requested other than Phenoxymethylpenicillin and the medicine is unavailable, then information should be sought from the prescriber as to what alternatives could be supplied as the prescribed medicine may in some cases not be for a Strep A condition.</p> <p>We would like to thank all Community Pharmacy teams for the huge effort they have produced over the festive period in relation to the trying times we find ourselves in.</p> <p>Alan Harrison 29/11/2022</p>
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 Cold Chain Audit 2022.docx Attached	<p>As part of your participation in this year's Flu Programme, please complete the attached audit and return this to: ggc.cpdevteam@nhs.scot, by Tuesday 31st January 2023.</p> <p>Mani Narwan - Contracts Administrator 22/12/2022</p>


REMINDERS AND UPDATES:








REMINDER	<u>ANTIVIRAL PROVIDING PHARMACIES ONLY: Paxlovid and Molnupiravir Expiry Date Extension</u>
	<p>Please note that the Department of Health and Social care and Pharmaceutical company MSD, have extended the shelf life of specified batches of Paxlovid 150mg hard capsules, and Lagevrio® (Molnupiravir) 200mg hard capsules.</p> <p>Further information regarding Paxlovid can be found here: Expiry date of Paxlovid (nirmatrelvir and ritonavir) antiviral medication extended - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)</p>


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REMINDER	ANTIBIOTIC SUPPLY UPDATE SERIOUS SHORTAGE PROTOCOLS ISSUES
 PCA(P)(2022)38 - SERIOUS SHORTAGE  PCA(P)(2022)39- SERIOUS SHORTAGE  PCA(P)(2022)40- SERIOUS SHORTAGE  PCA(P)(2022)41- SERIOUS SHORTAGE  PCA(P)(2022)42- SERIOUS SHORTAGE  221221 Community Pharmacy FAQ Antib  221221 GGC Interim guidance - Antibioti  221221 Memo Group A Strep Treat	<p>UPDATED GUIDANCE - SUPPLY OF ANTIBIOTICS - 21/12/2022</p> <p>You will be aware of the NHSGGC guidance that was issued last week to suggest alternative treatment if penicillin V is unavailable. The preferred order of replacement products is clearly defined in the NHSGGC Guidance. GGC Interim guidance - Antibiotics in GAS V10</p> <p>Serious Shortages Protocols (see attached PCA's) have now been issued that allows community pharmacists to substitute an alternative formulation of penicillin V or an alternative antibiotic if all formulations are unavailable. Available online at https://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/pharmacies-gp-practices-and-appliance-contractors/serious-shortage-protocols-ssps</p> <p>Please ensure that the allergy status of the patient is checked in relation to any medication that is being considered.</p> <p>Prescribers have been asked to include the following phrase as part of the dosage instructions in the antibiotic prescription - "if unavailable substitute as per local Group A Strep guidance". This will provide authorisation for the pharmacist to use their clinical judgement to provide an alternative antibiotic within NHSGGC guidance.</p> <p>The endorsement "PC" should be used on the prescription when substituting to a product in the guidance document. This will ensure that you are paid appropriately for what has been supplied and that the instruction on the prescription has been followed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Pharmacy FAQ Antibiotics in GAS • Memo Group A Strep Treatment Options update <p>Pamela Macintyre Lead Pharmacist - Community Pharmacy Development Team 21/12/2022</p>

REMINDER	Nutilus Powder
 Nutilus Powder - AAH Stock communi	<p>Please find attached notification of a shortage of supply for Nutilus Powder. This is a non-formulary product within NHSGGC and not Nutilus Clear which is the 1st line preferred product.</p> <p>We are aware approximately 16 patients are prescribed Nutilus Powder and have therefore made arrangements that a supply of Nutilus Powder will be held by the Nutricia Rep Louise Smith. If any community pharmacy requires a supply during the affected period, you can contact Louise directly on 07920478874 or louise.smith@nutricia.com and a supply will be sent next day signed delivery to you.</p> <p>If you have any questions, please contact prescribing support dietitians on 0141 201 6012 or presupdiet@ggc.scot.nhs.uk.</p> <p>Una Cuthbert Dietetic Manager Prescribing. 22/12/2022</p>

REMINDER	Message on behalf of Steven Henderson, CEO - Wheatley Housing Group
 WHG Letter to Scottish Health Board	Please find attached a letter sent on behalf of Steven Henderson, CEO of Wheatley Housing Group, for your attention. Alan Harrison 22/12/2022

REMINDER	PHARMACY SERVICES - FESTIVE SUPPORT INFORMATION
 Newsletter 2022.docx  Newsletter 2022.pdf  ADRS FAQ V5 Dec 22 (002).pdf  Shortages guidance.pdf  2022-2023 Festive Period Compliance /  PCN Claim Form 2020.doc  Palliative care drugs stocked per Network	Attached is this year's Christmas Newsletter for the Community Pharmacy Network. In this year's edition: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Message from Lead Pharmacist, Primary Care; - Palliative Care Stock information; - Discharge Guidance (see also attached Patient Leaflet); - Supplies of Controlled Drugs. The following are attached as separate documents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ADRS Guidance; - Shortages Guidance; - Patient Information for Discharges; and - Palliative Care Stock List and Claim Form. The Community Pharmacy Development Team wish to take this opportunity to wish the community pharmacy network in GGC a joyful festive season and a peaceful New Year. Janine Glen 20/12/2022

REMINDER	Glasgow Out of Hours (OOH) Professional to Professional Contact Details
 OOH Prof to Prof CP version v2.1.pdf	Please find attached guidance on the use of NHSGGC's OOH's professional to professional line that has been reinstated as of 20 th Dec 2022. 20/12/2022

REMINDER	All Health Board's in Scotland – Professional to Professional Contact Numbers
 Direct Referral contact numbers OOH	Please find attached information on the professional to professional contact details for all Health Board's in Scotland. 20/12/2022

REMINDER	ARV Module on NEO
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As you will be aware, the Community Pharmacy Development Team (CPDT) undertake a rolling- monthly audit of the ARV module on the NEO platform, which includes measuring completion of information and submission of claims.

The Audit continues to show that usage is relatively low in comparison to other modules on the platform i.e. OST and Disulfiram. In addition, we are experiencing a disproportionate level of information being input retrospectively (sometimes weeks after the event). Please see message from Dr Erica Peters (Consultant Physician), Infection Diseases:

There has been an outbreak of HIV in Glasgow in recent years. A key part of care for those infected is HIV antiretroviral treatment (ARV). If a person infected with HIV takes their medication daily without a break or missed doses they can expect to have a normal life expectancy. It has a better prognosis now than many other common illnesses if treated. Further, if HIV is controlled by good compliance with medication then the chances of passing it on to others can be reduced significantly. Indeed there is good data showing that sexual transmission does not occur if the patient's blood is undetectable as a result of good HIV compliance, referred to as U=U.

We have a dedicated team of doctors, nurses and pharmacists looking after the patients in GG&C infected with HIV and we work very hard to support them, particularly in times of need or crisis. Missing doses of HIV medication needs to be acted on quickly and within the same week. This can have significant health implications for the patient, cause future resistance to future medications and increase the chance of transmission to others. It can also indicate that there are other health or social issues that are behind the patient's inability to attend the community pharmacy.


By completing NEO for ARV on the same day you are supporting the care of the individual patient in the most important of ways. This system of using community pharmacies to support the management of HIV care has been recognised as a gold standard across the world and has been shown to be a significant factor in outbreak management. As the clinical lead for the care of these individuals I would encourage you to continue to complete the ARV functions on NEO every day. And on behalf of our patients thanks so much for your efforts in supporting their care.

You should also note, that as previously notified from January 2023 the NEO module will be the sole generator for payments. No payments will be made for services provided during January 2023 and beyond unless these are claimed via the ARV module on NEO.

If you have not already done so, please access the module and begin inputting information for your patient/s with immediate effect. A copy of the User Manual can be found here: [NHS Community Pharmacy Website \(scot.nhs.uk\)](https://www.scot.nhs.uk)

The Community Pharmacy Champions have been given a list of community pharmacies who are currently supporting patients and who aren't currently using the module. They will make direct contact in the next few months to support anyone who continues to struggle. In the meantime, if you require any direct input please contact Michelle Cooper on 0141-201-6041.

Janine Glen - Contracts Manager
20/12/2022

REMINDER	Early Warning System (EWS) Cascade
 EWS - All HSCPs.pdf	<p>The Board initiated the Early Warning System (EWS) Cascade on the 8th December 2022 relating to urgent information for Strep A antibiotics.</p> <p>Of the 29 cascade systems, 19 were successful. This represents a 65% success rate. Please note, this is a 41% increase in the EWS which took place in October 2022. I would</p>

	<p>like to thank those contractors who contributed to successfully completing the 19 cascades.</p> <p>On further scrutiny, we identified the following reasons for failure:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unable to get through to the Master Station; • Pharmacy thought this was a cascade relevant only to their pharmacy chain and didn't follow the CPDT EWS process; and • Continued to the next pharmacy on the list after being unable to contact the initial pharmacy. <p>We appreciate that there are often competing priorities within the Pharmacy and that time is precious; however, the Early Warning System is specifically used in emergent situations and the transfer of information is imperative.</p> <p>I have attached a further copy of each of the Board's HSCP's systems. Please identify your pharmacy within that document and print off the relevant cascade. I would like to reiterate the importance of all pharmacy staff, including locums, knowing and understanding the cascade process and what they will need to do in response to a message. It might therefore be helpful to site this document close to your main telephone.</p> <p>If there is anything in this cascade process which is unclear, or you would like to discuss further, please do not hesitate to contact me on 0141 201 6041.</p> <p>Michelle Cooper 20/12/2022</p>
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REMINDER	Smoking Cessation Training – Campanile Hotel, Tunnel Street, Glasgow - 11th January 2023
	<p>Smoking Cessation Training</p> <p>In order for a Community Pharmacy to become an accredited Quit Your Way Pharmacy it is mandatory for a one day training programme to be completed by pharmacists, locums and support staff – 9am- 3pm (approx)</p> <p>We presently have some places available for the event on the 11th January, 2023.</p> <p>The training will include key elements from the NES Smoking Cessation training pack, together with brief intervention techniques and NRT products. This session is open to all technicians, dispensers and support staff – but not exclusive. Fees will be paid to the pharmacy contractor to cover the costs of staff attending, (as pre-reg students are paid through NES, no need to claim).</p> <p>Please contact us ASAP by phone on <u>0141 201 4945</u>, by e-mail pharmacyhit@ggc.scot.nhs.uk</p> <p>Places will be allocated on a first-come basis and will be confirmed in writing.</p> <p>Lunch will be provided. Please inform us if you do not require lunch or if you have special dietary requirements.</p> <p>Parking is available at the hotel on a first come basis. Please park at the appropriate bays at the hotel and register your car details at the front desk.</p> <p>Annette Robb - Public Health Pharmacy 20/12/2022</p>

REMINDER	GDPR Patient Issues – Amendment from an emailed communication sent out on 7th December 2022.
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Updated information regarding individuals NHS email addresses – please see highlighted section in red below.

We have, on a number of occasions, over the last few years advised you that GDPR protocols have been breached because of the way that pharmacies have been sending patient identifiable information into Pharmacy Services in order to obtain authorisation for a Specials request.

In 2021, this happened **81** times and so far in 2022 it has happened **55** times. These breaches were due to information being submitted on-

1. a personal email address e.g. gmail, hotmail etc;
2. an individual pharmacy business email address; and
3. **an image supplied as a photograph taken on an individuals personal mobile device sent through their NHS email address e.g. joe.bloggs@nhs.scot**

For clarity

- Any nhs.scot email is secure and should be used to scan or transfer patient identifiable information - these routes have end to end encryption that protects the patient information;
- Company/Personal emails should not be used - email from either of these which are then forwarded using nhs.scot should not be used;
- Photos should not be sent at all regardless of email used; and
- Scanned images may be acceptable if they come from a proper scanner and sent via nhs.scot

Please ensure that all staff within the pharmacy are briefed on this important GDPR information including Relief and Locum Pharmacists.

Alan Harrison
20/12/2022

REMINDER

UPDATED INFORMATION: eHealth IT Support

Please DO NOT use the email highlighted below in red to raise Requests or Incidents. This facility will be available when you get access to your Service Now account.

From start of January 2023 Service Now is the new way for external users to contact eHealth IT Support. Each site has had one Service Now account created with the details issued to the shared mailbox. If you do not know the login details for your site please follow the below steps to reset the password:

Go to <https://nhsscotland.service-now.com/ehealth>

Select forgot your password

Enter your user name -**THIS IS YOUR FULL SHARED MAILBOX ADDRESS**

Enter your username again (Personal Data Verification Email) - **THIS IS YOUR FULL SHARED MAILBOX ADDRESS**

Select Next, follow the steps

You should receive an automated email in your shared mailbox, follow the steps within the email

If you have any problems with this, please contact the Service Now Administrator - ggc.servicenowaccesscs@ggc.scot.nhs.uk stating your name, contractor code/location code/payment code and contact telephone number.

Why use Service Now?

- It's quick and easy to use.
- It can be accessed from anywhere with internet access and you can log a call at a time

that's convenient for you.

- Additionally, you can review any updates on your call and see details of the work/investigations being carried out.



Sharon Hastie
20/12/2022

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ACTION	Drugs in Pregnancy & Breastfeeding Teams Webinar
 Prescribing Drugs in Pregnancy & Breastfe	<p>The Common Clinical Conditions (CCC) Advisory group would like to invite you to the Drugs in Pregnancy & Breastfeeding Webinar with Roisin McCabe, Specialist Clinical Pharmacist, NHSGGC.</p> <p>This evening webinar will take place on Tuesday 31st January at 7:00pm via the Microsoft Teams link below:</p> <p>Microsoft Teams meeting Join on your computer, mobile app or room device Click here to join the meeting Meeting ID: 315 295 732 60 Passcode: Ycfa2q Download Teams Join on the web We hope to see you all there.</p> <p>Lorna Brown 06/01/2023</p>

ACTION	Forged Private Prescriptions
	<p>We have been made aware by colleagues in NHS Lothian that there again appears to be fraudulent private prescriptions circulating from Clinica Private Healthcare in London. In the main these prescriptions are for Codeine Linctus. We would encourage you to be extra vigilant if you receive any prescriptions from this clinic and ensure that you go through the normal checks to evaluate the authenticity of the prescription before a supply is made.</p> <p>If you receive or have received a prescription from Clinica then please contact the CD Governance team with details of the prescription at the following email address cdgovernance@ggc.scot.nhs.uk</p> <p>Alan Harrison</p>

10/01/2023

ACTION

Appropriate Date

Appropriate / start dates on prescriptions

There has recently been some queries from community pharmacies around the 28 day validity of Controlled Drug prescriptions when prescriptions have been signed more than 28 days in advance of the appropriate date. In general ADRS teams supply 2x28 day prescriptions for patients, which are delivered directly to the pharmacy in advance of the start date to allow preparation. Prescriptions will have been printed / signed prior to the treatment start date (the appropriate date). **In some cases the date of printing / signing may be more than 28 days before the start date. These prescriptions are legal, as prescription validity is 28 days from the appropriate start date.**

If you have any concerns regarding the clinical appropriateness of a patient's medication, please contact the team who issued the prescription to discuss.

Amanda Laird
10/01/2023

ACTION

CISCO-21 trial/Community Pharmacy



CISCO-21 Poster V
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Attached

Please find attached a poster for the CISCO-21 trial– This trial is sponsored by NHS GGC and run in collaboration with UoG and the CSO.....more details can be found here: <https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT04900961>

We would be grateful if you would print off and display in your patient information areas within your pharmacies

Alan Harrison
10/01/2023

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Date 2023	Start time	Finish time	Nos	Meeting Place	Contact	Event
Wed 8th February 2023	9:00	13:30	30	Campanile Hotel Tunnel St, Glasgow	0141 201 4945	QYW Training
Wed 15th March 2023	9:00	15:00	30	Campanile Hotel Tunnel St, Glasgow	0141 201 4945	QYW Training

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10/01/2023

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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Public Holidays 2023/2024

Please find below a list of the public holidays which have been agreed between NHS GGC Pharmacy Services and CP GGC which will be observed by the community pharmacy network during 2023/2024.

2023

Monday 10th April

Monday 1st May

Monday 29th May

One summer Monday relevant to the HSCP the pharmacy is in.

One September Monday relevant to the HSCP the pharmacy is in

Monday 25th December


Tuesday 26th December



2024

Monday 1st January

Tuesday 2nd January

	<p>You will note that the list does not include the recently announced additional holiday planned for Monday 8th May 2023 to recognise the coronation of King Charles III. Further details will be provided on this holiday once the implications for service provision are known.</p> <p>As in previous years, the Community Pharmacy Development Team will undertake a scoping exercise to gauge likely coverage across the community pharmacy network. This exercise will commence at the end of January 2023. Your co-operation will be appreciated.</p> <p>Janine Glen 10/01/2023</p>
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IMPORTANT INFORMATION	Person Centred Care in Pharmacy
 Person Centred Care in Pharmacy.pp Attached	<p>The Board wide Person Centred Care Committee is keen for all community pharmacies to have access to the Patient Centred Care training slides. These slides can be used in the pharmacy with staff if there is any planned training sessions.</p> <p>If you require any further information, please don't hesitate to contact Elizabeth Roddick - Elizabeth.roddick@nhs.scot or Pamela Macintyre - pamela.macintyre@ggc.scot.nhs.uk</p> <p>Elizabeth Roddick 10/01/2022</p>

UPDATE	NHSGGC Pharmaceutical List as at 6th January 2023
 Pharmaceutical List Jan 23.pdf  Pharmaceutical Index Jan 23.pdf Attached	<p>The following are attached and can also be found on the Community Pharmacy Website: contractor lists</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Complete alphabetical index. 2. Complete Pharmaceutical List. <p>Please ensure you remove your current index and replace with new version. Please remove old pages and replace with updated pages.</p> <p>Please check that the details for your pharmacy are complete and correct. If any amendment is required, please email ggc.cpdevteam@nhs.scot as soon as possible. This will allow our records and the Pharmaceutical List to be updated.</p> <p>I trust this is helpful.</p> <p>Next Update is due – 1st April 2023</p> <p>Lauren Keenan 10/01/2023</p>

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EWS - All HSCPS -
January 2023.pdf

Attached

Please identify your pharmacy and print off the relevant cascade.

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Michelle Cooper
19/01/2023

ACTION

PCA (P)(2023) 01 - PHARMACEUTICAL SERVICES: ADVANCE PAYMENT FOR ELIGIBLE COMMUNITY PHARMACY CONTRACTORS, DISPENSING GP PRACTICES AND DISPENSING APPLIANCE CONTRACTORS

[https://www.sehd.scot.nhs.uk/pca/PCA2023\(P\)01.pdf](https://www.sehd.scot.nhs.uk/pca/PCA2023(P)01.pdf)

18/01/2023

ACTION

PCA (P)(2023) 02 - EXTENSION ON THE SERIOUS SHORTAGE PROTOCOLS ISSUED FOR SANDRENA® GEL SACHETS AND ESTRADERM MX® PATCHES

[https://www.sehd.scot.nhs.uk/pca/PCA2023\(P\)02.pdf](https://www.sehd.scot.nhs.uk/pca/PCA2023(P)02.pdf)

18/01/2023

ACTION

Clinically Significant Drug Interactions with Tobacco Smoking



3. CP SC Interactions
Bulletin - Jan 2023.do

Attached

Please find attached Clinically significant drug interactions with tobacco smoking information.

For **updates** on clinically significant drug interactions with tobacco smoking and relevant **pharmacy to GP template letter**, please refer to the '[Clinically Significant Drug Interactions with Tobacco Smoking' Bulletin \(January 2023\)](#)

23/01/2023

IMPORTANT INFORMATION	NHS Pharmacy First Scotland - Approved List Review 2023
 <p>NHS Pharmacy First Scotland - Approved List Attached</p>	<p>Please see the attached letter from the Chief Pharmaceutical Officer inviting your input into a review of the NHS Pharmacy First Scotland Approved List.</p> <p>The current version of the Approved List is published online at - https://www.publications.scot.nhs.uk/details.asp?PublicationID=7020</p> <p>23/01/2023</p>

UPDATE	Updated NHSGGC Joint Wound Care Formulary
	<p>The NHSGGC Joint Wound Care Formulary has now been updated and is available here https://ggcmedicines.org.uk/media/v5bd2w5c/nhsggc-joint-wound-care-formulary-2301.pdf</p> <p>ScriptSwitch, e-formulary and synonyms are being updated to reflect the update.</p> <p>Mairi-Anne McLean Senior Prescribing Advisor 19/01/2023</p>

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Date: Thursday 26th January 2023



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REMINDERS AND UPDATES:


REMINDER	Community LearnPro Cold Chain Module
 <p>Community Learnpro Registration Walkthrc</p>	<p>Do you have a fridge used for medicines or vaccines in your pharmacy? We strongly encourage completion of the cold chain module now available on LearnPro in conjunction with Pharmacy Public Health. Ideally by all staff but especially those tasked with checking fridge temperatures regularly. Fridge lines can be extremely expensive and additionally as thermolabile products, incorrect storage can result in treatment failure. Robust cold chain storage is paramount to ensure the patients given vaccines are protected from the illness they are being vaccinated against. The module could form part of a small project for a trainee in quality assurance of refrigerated medicines. GGC: 097 Cold Chain Management is the name of the module.</p> <p>LearnPro account holders will automatically have access to this module within their learning plan.</p> <p>For Pharmacists and Registered Technicians that do not have a Community LearnPro account, you can obtain a login activation code by emailing ggc.cpdevteam@nhs.scot or by calling 0141 201 6094 / 0141 201 6041.</p> <p>Once a code has been issued you can self-register at: https://community.learnprouk.com.</p> <p>Please find attached the LearnPro Registration Walkthrough guide.</p> <p>Nathan Burley 19/01/2023</p>

REMINDER	Information – Updated Early Warning Systems
 <p>EWS - All HSCPS - January 2023.pdf</p>	<p>Please find attached an updated report which contains the Early Warning Systems (EWS) for each of the Board's HSCP's. A copy of this report can also be found on the Community Pharmacy Website: NHS Community Pharmacy Website (scot.nhs.uk)</p> <p>Please identify your pharmacy and print off the relevant cascade.</p> <p>I would like to reiterate the importance of all pharmacy staff, including Locums, knowing and understanding the cascade process and what they will need to do in response to a message. It may therefore be helpful to site this document close to your main telephone.</p> <p>As a reminder, this cascade system can be started by either a Board Officer or any Community Pharmacist. Anyone initiating the system should telephone the 'Master Station' clearly relaying the message that is required for circulation. The 'Master Station' will start the cascade of calls by telephoning the next pharmacy on the list, who will in turn, telephone the next pharmacy and so forth until the last pharmacy calls the 'Master Station'. When the 'Master Station' receives the call from the last pharmacy</p>

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REMINDER	Reminder - Recruitment of Community Pharmacists for Research
	<p>See below an opportunity to take part in an interview study for Aimee Ferguson, a PhD student within the Strathclyde Institute of Pharmacy and Biomedical Sciences, University of Strathclyde.</p> <p>Aimee is interested in why community pharmacists do (or do not) use video consultations with patients. This means you do not need to have experience of using video consultations to take part. If you decide to take part, you will first be asked to complete a short questionnaire which will allow the research team to ensure they are recruiting from a balanced sample of participants. You will then be contacted by Aimee to arrange a suitable date/time for an interview. The interview will take place over video (or telephone if you prefer) and will last no longer than 1 hour.</p> <p>Your participation is voluntary, and all efforts will be made to ensure you are not identifiable in the study.</p> <p>If you are interested in taking part, the link below will take you to the Participant Information Sheet, consent form, and the short questionnaire.</p> <p>https://stratheng.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_5yDL18oGyQRv8fc</p> <p>If you have any questions, you can contact Aimee at: a.ferguson@strath.ac.uk</p> <p>17/01/2023</p>

REMINDER	Opportunity to give your views - what influences whether you do (or do not) use video consultations with patients?
	<p>My name is Aimee, and I am a PhD student at the University of Strathclyde under the supervision of Prof Marion Bennie, Dr Rosemary Newham, and Ms Emma Dunlop. My PhD focuses on human factors and video consultations in pharmacy.</p> <p>I am currently recruiting pharmacists working in community or general practice pharmacy in Scotland, to take part in an interview study which focuses on what influences whether you do (or do not) use video consultations with patients. This means you do not need to have experience of using video consultations to take part.</p> <p>If you decide to take part, you will first be asked to complete a short questionnaire which will allow the research team to ensure they are recruiting from a balanced sample of participants. I will then contact you to arrange a suitable date/time for an interview. The interview will take place over video (or telephone if you prefer) and will last no longer than 1 hour.</p> <p>Your participation is voluntary, and you will remain anonymous throughout. If you are interested in taking part, the link below will take you to the Participant Information Sheet, consent form, and the short questionnaire.</p> <p>https://stratheng.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_5yDL18oGyQRv8fc</p> <p>Alternatively, you can email me at: a.ferguson@strath.ac.uk Or scan the QR code on the attached poster</p> <p>Thanks in advance</p>

	Mairi-Anne McLean - Senior Prescribing Advisor 17/01/2023
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REMINDER	Pharmacy Services Patient Information Leaflet (PIL)
	<p>My name is Natasha Umer and I am a trainee pharmacist completing my training year between Inverclyde Royal hospital and Inverclyde HSCP. As part of my training year project, I am updating the GGC pharmacy services patient information leaflet(PIL). I am looking to include information about pharmacy services available in all sectors and was hoping for feedback from community pharmacists/pharmacy staff about what they think should be included. I would really appreciate it if you could fill out the simple questionnaire I have created to receive this feedback. The last date for completion would be 25/01/2023. The link is attached below.</p> <p>If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at: natasha.umer2@ggc.scot.nhs.uk</p> <p>https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=veDvEDCgykuAnLXmdF5JmvoQRPg9KG9OkFecbbOJR7hUQjZOQk1CTEw3VFZDWRCTVZHUFBETzdPSy4u</p> <p>Natasha Umer 17/01/2023</p>

REMINDER	Pre-approved Price List for January 2023
 Guide Prices for Commonly Requested	Please find attached the newly updated Pre-approved price list for January 2023. 17/01/2023

REMINDER	Smoking Cessation Training – Campanile Hotel, Tunnel Street, Glasgow - Wednesday 8th February 2023
	<p><u>Smoking Cessation Training</u></p> <p>In order for a Community Pharmacy to become an accredited Quit Your Way Pharmacy it is mandatory for a one day training programme to be completed by pharmacists, locums and support staff – 9am- 1:30pm (approx)</p> <p>We presently have some places available for the event on the <u>8th February, 2023</u>.</p> <p>The training will include key elements from the NES Smoking Cessation training pack, together with brief intervention techniques and NRT products. This session is open to all pharmacist, pre-reg staff and technicians – but not exclusive. Fees will be paid to the pharmacy contractor to cover the costs of staff attending, (as pre-reg students are paid through NES, no need to claim).</p> <p>Please contact us ASAP by telephone on <u>0141 201 4945</u> or by email pharmacyhit@ggc.scot.nhs.uk</p> <p>Places will be allocated on a first-come basis and will be confirmed in writing.</p> <p>Lunch will be provided. Please inform us if you do not require lunch or you have special dietary requirements.</p> <p>Parking is available at the hotel on a first come basis. Please park at the appropriate bays at the hotel and register your car details at the front desk.</p>

Date 2023	Start time	Finish time	Nos	Meeting Place	Contact	Event
Wed 8th February 2023	9:00	13:30	30	Campanile Hotel Tunnel St, Glasgow	0141 201 4945	QYW Training
Wed 15th March 2023	9:00	15:00	30	Campanile Hotel Tunnel St, Glasgow	0141 201 4945	QYW Training

Annette Robb
10/01/2023

REMINDER	Drugs in Pregnancy & Breastfeeding Teams Webinar
 <p>Prescribing Drugs in Pregnancy & Breastfe</p>	<p>The Common Clinical Conditions (CCC) Advisory group would like to invite you to the Drugs in Pregnancy & Breastfeeding Webinar with Roisin McCabe, Specialist Clinical Pharmacist, NHSGGC.</p> <p>This evening webinar will take place on Tuesday 31st January at 7:00pm via the Microsoft Teams link below:</p> <p>Microsoft Teams meeting Join on your computer, mobile app or room device Click here to join the meeting Meeting ID: 315 295 732 60 Passcode: Ycfa2q Download Teams Join on the web We hope to see you all there.</p> <p>Lorna Brown 06/01/2023</p>

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URGENT ACTION	Epimax® Memo - Potential Association with Corneal Adverse Effects
 Epimax memo 241022.pdf	<p>Epimax has recently been added to the National Pharmacy First approved list of products and, as a result, is being prescribed frequently when it is appropriate for a patient to receive it as an emollient.</p> <p>There are still a number of incidents being reported where patients have used the products near their eyes resulting in adverse reactions. Please familiarise yourself with the attached document, brief all staff, and ensure that appropriate information is given to the patient on how to use when supplying either on a prescription or through Pharmacy First.</p> <p>Pamela Macintyre 31/01/2023</p>

ACTION	MSN Senokot Liquid
 MSN Sennokot Liquid.pdf Attached	<p>There has been an MSN issued for Senokot liquid. Unfortunately, there is a technical issue with the memo page and the memo is not linked at this time. We are working to resolve this as quickly as possible; and this has been escalated through the appropriate channels .</p> <p>The MSN has been attached for you to circulate to the teams in this interim period. It can also be accessed via the following link -</p> <p>http://www.staffnet.ggc.scot.nhs.uk/Acute/Division%20Wide%20Services/Pharmacy%20and%20Prescribing%20Support%20Unit/Medicines%20Information/Documents/MSN_2023_004%20Senokot@%20syrup%20and%20Senokot@%2012%20Years%20Plus%20syrup%20(both%20containing%207.5mg%20per%205ml%20sennosides).pdf</p> <p>Thank you for your patience</p> <p>Alison McAuley 31 January 2023</p>

IMPORTANT INFORMATION	Resources for Supporting People with Epilepsy - International Epilepsy Day: 14th February 2023
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4. Bulletin for EC
Resource Packs Jan-Fi



EC Resource Order
Form.doc

Attached

For details on **resources** for supporting people with epilepsy during International Epilepsy Day: 14th February 2023, please refer to the [Bulletin for Epilepsy Resource Packs Feb 2023](#).

Please also find attached Pharmacy Order Form for Epilepsy Connections Resources

Alexandra Thurlow
26/01/2023

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