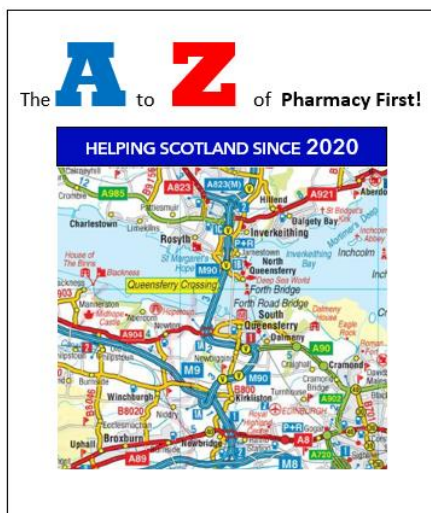




This is the **THIRD** in a series of **FACTSHEETS** covering....



E is for:

- **E**ligibility criteria – did you know that **EVERYONE** who lives in Scotland, or is registered with a Scottish GP, is eligible for the Pharmacy First service? This includes homeless, travellers, refugees, armed forces staff and students from abroad.




WHO'S NOT ELIGIBLE? VISITORS TO SCOTLAND!

This means someone who **is away from their normal place of residence** (outside of Scotland) and who **intends to stay in Scotland for less than 3 months**.

A person who is registered with a GP Practice in Scotland on a temporary basis and who is a visitor to Scotland under the 2020 PCA Directions is **NOT eligible**.

F is for:

- **F**actsheets – we'll be sending out these Pharmacy Factsheets every 2-3 weeks until we reach 'Z'! Why not print them off and turn them into a quick team quiz, or store them as a quick training guide for new staff?!



Pills have always been difficult to swallow, and efforts have long been made to make them go down more easily – coatings have included talc, sugar powder, wax and mucilage (a thick gluey substance extracted from plants!) In ancient times people even coated tablets with gold and silver, although this often meant that they would pass through the digestive tract with no effect at all!

This info is also attached as a PDF to make it easy to print off and keep handy in the pharmacy.

Kind regards,

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