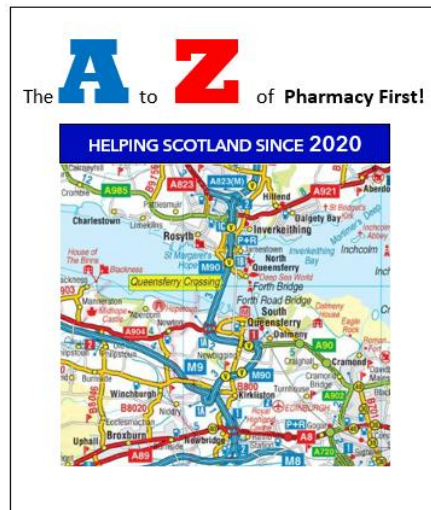




This is the FIFTH in a series of FACTSHEETS covering....



I is for:

- **Impetigo** – don't forget you can treat impetigo on the Pharmacy First service – note there is no longer a lower age limit for patients! Inclusion and exclusion criteria have also been slightly amended too in the latest PGD – please see our webpage for a reminder of these:

<https://www.communitypharmacy.scot.nhs.uk/nhs-boards/nhs-lothian/pharmacy-first/>

J is for:

- **Joint Approach** – GP and community pharmacy teams share the same goal of providing the best care and patient experience possible. Please continue to have local conversations with your local GP practices to sort out any niggles and agree the best ways (and when!) to refer patients to each other for treatment on Pharmacy First.



FUN PHARMACY FACT:

Did you know that the active ingredient in the first ACE (angiotensin-converting enzyme) inhibitor, captopril, was originally derived from snake venom? Launched in 1981, captopril was based on an ingredient of the venom of the poisonous Brazilian Pit Viper which causes a massive drop in blood pressure of its prey to render it unconscious and make it easier to eat!

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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