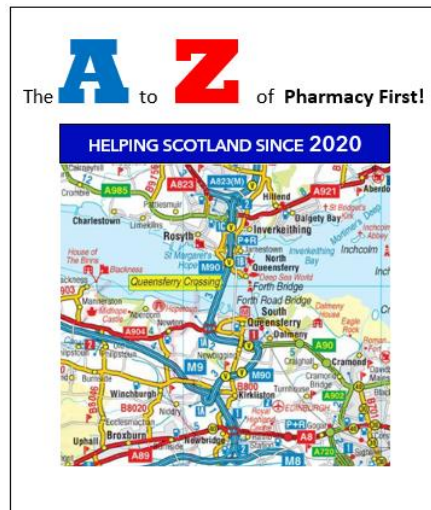




This is the **FOURTH** in a series of **FACTSHEETS** covering....



G is for:

- **GP Signposting** – there will be times when customers cannot be treated on the Pharmacy First service and need to be referred to a GP surgery. Did you know there's a GP signposting document which can help you decide when it's appropriate? Please see the '**GP signposting guidance**' document here on our website:
<https://www.communitypharmacy.scot.nhs.uk/nhs-boards/nhs-lothian/pharmacy-first/>

H is for:

- **Healthier Population** – since its launch in 2020, Pharmacy First has greatly improved people's access to valuable healthcare advice and treatment in the community. In January 2023, Lothian pharmacies dispensed over 36,000 treatments for patients, including over a thousand antibiotics to treat urinary tract infection!

FUN PHARMACY FACT!



Louisiana was the first American state to require pharmacists to be licensed. A French immigrant named Louis Dufilho, Jr. became the first licensed pharmacist in the county in 1816. He opened his own pharmacy in 1823 in New Orleans, where he offered traditional medications as well as Voodoo remedies, opium, leeches, and a soda fountain!

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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