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It's been a busy week in community pharmacy in Ayrshire and Arran.

Our Networking event was held on Wednesday night (Photo to the left). I hope that the 50 colleagues who joined us on Wednesday evening found the event useful and engaging.

Over the coming weeks we will share the content that was provided from our line-up of guest speakers for those of you who were unable to attend on the night.

This week, the **Weekly Script** has been stripped down from the usual format to help you to focus on the key developments this week.

The Local PGD CP 24 006 was released this week which covers the hospital discharge service AND the supply of prescription requests from Ayrshire Urgent Care Service.

The hospital discharge pilot has changed and is now supporting patients being discharged from Combined Assessment Units (CAU) and Emergency Departments (ED)

The key actions for you based on these developments are summarised below:

PGD 24 066 – emailed on Tuesday 5th March

Please note as this PGD allows supplies to be made following requests from AUCS then ALL pharmacists must sign this PGD even if you are not participating in the hospital discharge service.

(Trial) Change to process for PGD admin.

To minimise the administration burden for community pharmacists we are trialling a new method of tracking PGD sign ups. Instead of sending a copy of the signature sheet to the health board you simply need to follow the link below and confirm via the MS Form that you have read and signed the PGD.

We will upload the link to the PGD section on the CP website next week but for now please use the link below and share this with any locum pharmacists who will be working with the PGD in your pharmacy.

The signed PGD agreement by practitioner form should be stored in the pharmacy. (For clarity there is NO NEED to e-mail signed copies to the pharmacy team)

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=veDvEDCgykuAnLXmdF5JmsfMUXAe5h9MsSfvDN3-3-hURTJaTjdOTDU1VDJaR0c1VkpIRVNMNFVLWi4u>

Hospital Discharge Service

The pilot service which launched with Trauma and Orthopaedics in March 2023 has 'moved' to support discharge of patients from CAU/ED.

The training video (of the lunch and learn session held on 28th Feb) can be viewed here:

<https://vimeo.com/920500383?share=copy>

Please note that if you (or your organisation) signed up to the T&O service then you may receive discharges for patients. We understand that teams / pharmacists may have changed over the last 12 months so if anyone would like any support with the service then please contact the community pharmacy team.

Next week we will be contacting the 19 pharmacies not signed up to the service pilot yet and encouraging sign up. If you would like to sign up to the service please sign the SLA which can be found here:

<https://www.communitypharmacy.scot.nhs.uk/nhs-boards/nhs-ayrshire-arran/pharmacy-services/hospital-discharge-service/>

Please note, the SLA is not changing for the move from T&O to CAU/ED, the only required change is to the PGD as outlined above.

This Weeks Key Messages

NHS A&A Specials Authorisation Pro-forma.

The pro-forma for specials authorization has been updated by the central pharmacy team to make it more user friendly.

The updated version is attached to the **Weekly Script** e-mail and will be uploaded to the CP website next week.

SOUTH AYRSHIRE - Care At Home Pharmacy Technicians

An updated referral form for the South Ayrshire CAP technicians is attached. Please also note the NEW email address below.

aa.clinicalsouthcaptech@aapct.scot.nhs.uk

COMMUNICATIONS SUMMARY

Tuesday 5th March: aa.cpteam – Local PGD CP 24 066 for AUCS prescriptions and hospital discharge service

Friday 8th March: ClinicalPCT – NHS A&A Public Protection Team – documents for review

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