

Tuesday 5th March 2024



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COPD SERVICE - RELAUNCH



Attachment 3 - SBAR.docx



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SLA 2024-2026 v5 Feb 24.docx



PGD Single Signature Sheet v6.r



PGD Single Signature Sheet v6.c



PGD Prednisolone v6 Exp Jan 26.pdf



PGD Doxycycline v6 Exp Jan 26.pdf



PGD Amoxicillin v6 Exp Jan 26.pdf You will remember that NHS GGC in collaboration with CPGGC launched a COPD service in mid-2021, after a successful pilot completed in Renfrewshire.

The service allows for easy access of rescue medicines, antibiotics & prednisolone, for vulnerable COPD patients via community pharmacies.

Since 2021, the number of patients going through the service has been relatively low and we are aware that emergency measures brought in during the COVID pandemic has led to some confusion amongst prescribers and the community pharmacy network.

The Respiratory MCN has recently sent information to all GP practices, along with a further supply of the patient record card as a reminder of the service.

The purpose of this email is to formally re-launch the service with a slightly revised SLA v5 <attached> (see Version Control at Section 12 of SLA for details of changes) and ask all Community Pharmacies to either re-commit to the service, or sign up to participate for the first time. The service is underpinned by three PGDs which have recently been reviewed and updated. <attached>.

Please complete the Appendix 1 Pro-forma and return using the contact details provided by **Thursday 7**th **March 2024**. PGD authorisation sheets should be submitted within the same timescale.

Please Note: <u>A Commencement Fee will only be paid to Contractors who are signing up to participate for the first time (either because they have not previously participated, or because they have recently taken ownership of a pharmacy).</u>

You will find all you need to support your delivery of this important service here. I hope this is helpful, however if you require anything further please contact qqc.cpdevteam@nhs.scot.

I look forward to your continued engagement and ongoing support in the development of patient care for those COPD patients who will utilise the service going forward.

Alan Harrison, Lead Pharmacist – Community Care 27/02/2024

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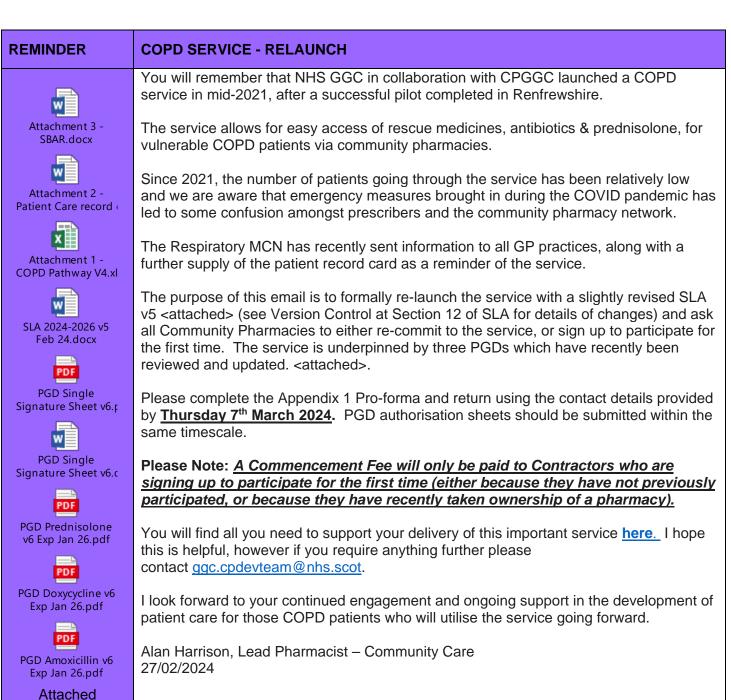
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REMINDER	Hydrofilm Plus Dressing
	Hydrofilm® Plus has undergone a rebrand, and now known as Cosmopor ® Transparent.
Hydrofilm Plus	From the 1st of February please be advised that you will need to order using the new PIP codes listed below.
Dressing.pdf Attached	Cosmopor® Transparent maintains the same properties of Hydrofilm Plus. Please see attached new PIP codes for ordering purposes.
	Lynne Watret Non Medical Prescribing Lead 27/02/2024

REMINDER	Tacrolimus Brand Switch
	Proactive switch from tacrolimus (Prograf) to tacrolimus (Adoport) in adult renal Transplant patients by the Glasgow Renal and Transplant Unit
	We are starting our switch from prograf to adoport over the next few weeks and we are already starting all de novo patients on Adoport. It will take up to 2 years to do this switch.
	We are planning on contacting each community pharmacy and every GP individually who has a patient registered with them. Key messages are:
	 Tacrolimus must always be prescribed and dispensed by BRAND name Adoport® brand of twice daily immediate release tacrolimus offers considerable financial savings for the NHS compared to Prograf® All Glasgow renal transplant patients on Prograf® will be proactively reviewed by the transplant team in outpatient transplant clinics across NHSGGC with a view to switching to Adoport® De novo prescribing of adoport commenced on 4c acute transplant ward December 2023 All patients switched to Adoport® will be monitored by the transplant team as per protocol
	Heather Black Lead Renal Pharmacist
	27/02/2024

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	Janine Glen 12/03/2024

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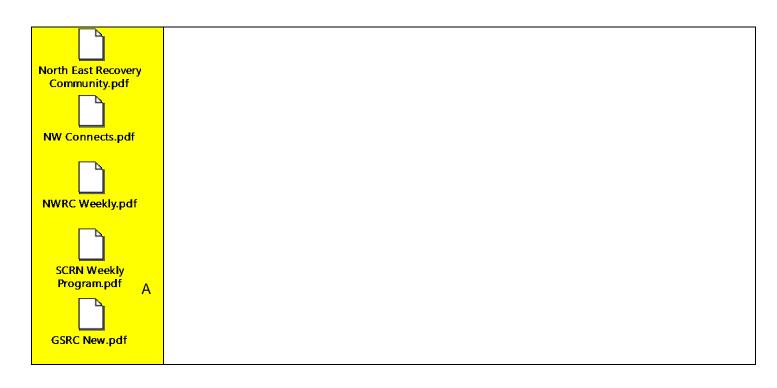


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	If a prescription is presented at a pharmacy and they scan, label and claim it and then return it to the patient to get it dispensed elsewhere, the next pharmacy will not be able to scan or claim it electronically.
	There is a myth that if the first pharmacy cancels the claim, the next pharmacy will be able to scan and claim electronically. This is not true. The electronic claim for the barcode has been used by the first pharmacy.
	What do you do? Dispense it manually and endorse the paper. DO NOT SCORE OUT THE BARCODE FOR ANY REASON
	Who gets paid? For now, the pharmacy who submits the paper to psd will be paid for the item dispensed, and the endorsements on the paper are used to pay accurately.
	What happens to the electronic claim from the first pharmacy. It is not used and will be archived
	Catherine Scoular 19/03/2024

ACTION	Glasgow Recovery Communities - March 2024
Alcohl Focus.pdf	A number of weekly recovery cafes and groups take place across Glasgow City, allowing individuals the opportunity to access a number of different activities and support. Please consider displaying a poster(s) of the events in your area.
	Amanda Laird 19/03/2024
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- Advanced Notification Q4 Customer Complaints / Whistleblowing & Annual Survey

ACTION	CPD Virtual Event: Sustainable Primary Care in the Climate Emergency
	The Clinical Sustainability & Primary Care (Climate) group are very pleased to invite you to our first online sustainability event aimed at supporting each of us to feel that we can play our part towards NHSGGC reaching the goal of net zero emissions. In the process we can together develop systems of resilient, sustainable and realistic primary care.
	The sustainability group will be joined by guest presenters (including NHSGGC's very own celebrity bake-off GP), to walk us through some of these key topic areas, explaining how you can make a difference and where you can get support.
	 What is sustainable primary care? How can I help save the planet with better respiratory care for patients? What supports and grants are available for greener premises and travel? What support and training is there to recycle and manage waste better? How can I join the West of Scotland Greener Practice support group?
	The event is suitable for all in staff working in and across primary care. There will be time for discussion and questions. We would be delighted if you can join us! Clinical Sustainability Primary Care Group *Thursday 28th March 1.00-2.00pm MS Teams Webinar
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	Kathtyn Chisholm 12/03/2024

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Attached	Andreas Tzineris 12/03/2024

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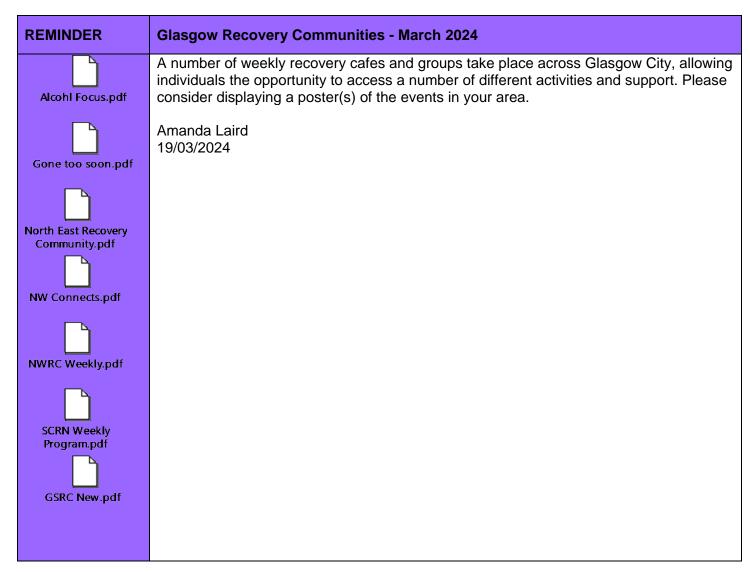
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