

NHS Ayrshire & Arran Community Pharmacy

Weekly Script

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Pharmacy Care Record

Version 16.1.9

You will now have noticed that there was an update to the PCR earlier this week specifically in relation to the smoking cessation support tool.

We have included the 'What's New' document for a concise update as an attachment to the e-mail with this week's Weekly Script.

The full, updated user guide (pictured above) can be accessed here

https://www.nss.nhs.scot/media/5144/pcr-user-guide-version-1619-apr24.pdf

And will be uploaded to the CP A&A website next week.

COMMUNICATIONS SUMMARY

Monday 8th April: **Tuesday 9th April:** Thursday 11th April: **ClincialPCT:** - Safety action notices aa.cpteam: Prescribing Flash 09 April Caitlin Dodds: Class 3 Drug Alert – Co-Codamol Eff' tablets

This Weeks Key Messages

RPS Shortage events – message from RPS

We're pleased to announce we have two separate online events for members to book onto to help inform our work.

The link is below and We would really appreciate if you could help promote these within your networks, and it would be fantastic if you were able to join one of the sessions yourselves.

The link to the member events for April 16th and 25th can be found here.

National Smile Month 2024

During National Smile Month, we need your support to help more people achieve a healthier life through better oral health.

Between 13th May and 13th June, the Oral Health Improvement Team will be raising awareness of the benefits of having good oral health and promoting the value of a healthy smile.

Therefore, we are encouraging Pharmacies to promote National Smile Month and would be happy to offer you some resources. We can supply posters and some oral health resources for a small display in your shop.

If you are interested in participating, can you please email <u>oralhealthimprovementteam@aapct.scot.nhs.uk</u> requesting National Smile Month resources. <u>Please can you email no later than Friday 19th April to allow time for</u> <u>the resources to be ordered then delivered.</u>

NES Frailty event

Frailty - Know the Score! Interactive Webinar - Wednesday 24th April 19:00-20:30pm

Link to Book - Frailty: Know the Score! | Turas | Learn (nhs.scot) (please log in to Turas then click link!)

Would you like to know more about frailty?

Would you like to understand the impact of medicines linked to frailty?

Would you like to support patients living with frailty?

We know that frailty impacts on a large percentage of the population, and this is growing exponentially. Patients living with frailty need support in all healthcare settings to live with long term conditions and the pharmacy team have a key role in supporting medicines review.

This webinar is designed to open up conversations with pharmacy teams to better understand frailty and improve knowledge on the medicines that impact on this condition.

To deliver this we will use case studies and provide a list of useful resources that support this learning.

Learning aims:

To help pharmacy teams improve their knowledge and understanding of people living with frailty and the impact of medicines on frailty.

Learning outcomes:

At the end of the event you will be able to:

- 1. Understand what frailty looks like in different healthcare settings.
- 2. Explain the different tools used to identify frailty and how to apply them in practice.
- 3. Understand the impact that medicines have on patients living with frailty.
- 4. Demonstrate the principles of polypharmacy review and medicines de-prescribing for patients living with frailty.

NHS Pharmacy First Scotland Updated Approved List of Products

There has been an updated version of the NHS Pharmacy First Scotland approved list published. This will be updated on the A&A community pharmacy website next week. It can be access here:

https://www.publications.scot.nhs.uk/files/nhs-pharmacy-first-scotland-approved-list-of-products-v28-01-april-2024.pdf

For information, the only change from the previous approved list is the addition of a 25g tube of Hydrogen Peroxide 1% cream. (Previously only the 40g tube was approved).

NHS Pharmacy First Scotland – PGD Updates

The updated PGD's for the Shingles and Bacterial Skin infection services were distributed before Easter. These should be signed up to by all community pharmacists by the end of this April. From this point NHS24 will refer to pharmacy with the new inclusion/exclusion criteria. **To date there are 37 pharmacists** who have signed up to the new versions of these and confirmed to NHS Ayrshire and Arran via the MS form link below. We encourage you all to sign up to the updated PGD's as soon as possible and before the end of the month.

The TURAS training required before signing the new PGD's can be found via the links below:

Shingles for NHS Pharmacy First Scotland | Turas | Learn

Skin infections for NHS Pharmacy First Scotland | Turas | Learn

Once you have signed the updated PGD's there is no requirement to send copies to the A&A pharmacy team. Instead, simply complete the declaration via the MS Form (link below). If you also work in other health board areas you should send copies to them as detailed in the PGD document.

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=veDvEDCgykuAnLXmdF5JmsfMUXAe5h9MsSfvDN3-3hUNjNXVk85S041NUpERkdLNzdINkdCWFA2OS4u

All documentation including PGDs, patient assessment forms and the link to the MS form are on the A&A community pharmacy website now.

Salbutamol Nebules – Supply Issues

We have been made aware this week of an issue where a community pharmacy refused to supply Salbutamol Nebules to a patient because they could not source them at less than drug tariff price.

PHS have confirmed that Salbutamol Nebules are currently flagged as a shortage and therefore community pharmacies will be reimbursed for what they pay as along as appropriate endorsements are applied to the prescription.

The Scottish Government Medicines Supply Alert Notification (MSAN) is attached to the *Weekly Script* e-mail. This outlines where you can obtain Salbutamol from specials suppliers if you are unable to source a licenced version.

If you do require to order an UNLICENCED special, the normal specials authorisation procedure should be followed.

NHS Ayrshire and Arran Community Pharmacy Website

We received feedback this week that the Gluten Free Formulary accessed via NHS Inform website was outdated, this has now been passed onto the website administrators. We thought it would be worthwhile to mention again the ongoing work being done to update the Community Pharmacy website (<u>NHS Community Pharmacy Website</u> (scot.nhs.uk)), and that the GF formulary is held on the site also, alongside other potentially useful formularies.

As before, feedback on any issues with the site or suggestions on improvements are welcome to <u>aa.cpteam@aapct.scot.nhs.uk.</u>

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