

NHS Ayrshire & Arran Community Pharmacy

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The final of this year's Scottish Pharmacist Awards takes place in Edinburgh tomorrow evening.

We are incredibly proud to have four finalists representing NHS Ayrshire & Arran Pharmacy Service

Logan Pharmacy – Finalist in the 'Community Pharmacy of the year' Category.

<u>Carrick Pharmacy AUCS Project</u> – Finalist in the 'Working Together' Category.

NHS Ayrshire & Arran Community Pharmacy Network – Hospital Discharge Service

- Finalist in the 'Working Together Category'

<u>Susan Staddon</u> Primary Care Pharmacist (Stewarton Medical Practice) – Finalist in the Commitment to Health & Wellbeing Category

GOOD LUCK TO ALL THE FINALISTS TOMORROW EVENING!

COMMUNICATIONS SUMMARY

Tuesday 16th April: aa.cpteam – Class 3 drug alert Invokana 300mg tablets

This Weeks Key Messages

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 – 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=veDvEDCgykuAnLXmdF5JmsfMUXAe5h9MsSfvDN3-3-hUNjNXVk85S041NUpERkdLNzdINkdCWFA2OS4u

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

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