

**COMMUNITY PHARMACY DEVELOPMENT TEAM WEEKLY UPDATE**

***Thur 9th May 2024***

**We hope that you will take some time to read the information below and share with the whole team**

**Pharmacy Champion Vacancy Closing – Final reminder that applications for the Community Pharmacy Champion x2 posts will be closing on the 15th May 2024. Please get in touch if you require any further information.**

**!! TWO more places**have become available at the Community Pharmacy Face-Face event on the 21st May 2023 (Food from 630pm, presentations 7-9pm, Novotel Edinburgh Park). Please get in touch if you would like to attend. This free event is open to all members of the pharmacy team.

**Do you dispense Pharmacy First items?**There has been an increase in Pharmacy First items being rejected due to item selection, please ensure you are dispensing items from the most up to date [PF Approved List.](https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.cps.scot%2Flatest-news%2Fmay-approved-list&data=05%7C02%7Cfiona.anderson29%40nhs.scot%7C880ba143f5cd4ff278f408dc70e56517%7C10efe0bda0304bca809cb5e6745e499a%7C0%7C0%7C638509378980975143%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=ju0uBUYn4cTXHrp2ZUaA%2FbfBX7BUc4cF%2BRnzM4iiPUE%3D&reserved=0)

**Do you dispense Controlled Drugs?** New guidance has come out on how to investigate a schedule 2 control drug discrepancy within a community pharmacy setting. Please ensure all members of the team involved in controlled drug dispensing/register checks are familiar with [this guidance](https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.communitypharmacy.scot.nhs.uk%2Fmedia%2F9038%2Fguidance-on-how-to-investigate-a-schedule-2-cd-discrepancy-community-pharmacy.pdf&data=05%7C02%7Cfiona.anderson29%40nhs.scot%7C880ba143f5cd4ff278f408dc70e56517%7C10efe0bda0304bca809cb5e6745e499a%7C0%7C0%7C638509378980987601%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=btJRMNdt0Gr5PKVrXz6pd7kMO6EUBbT8PC8ELe9foeM%3D&reserved=0). Why not also have a look at our webpage on [Controlled Drugs Governance](https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.communitypharmacy.scot.nhs.uk%2Fnhs-boards%2Fnhs-lothian%2Fcontrolled-drugs-governance-team%2F&data=05%7C02%7Cfiona.anderson29%40nhs.scot%7C880ba143f5cd4ff278f408dc70e56517%7C10efe0bda0304bca809cb5e6745e499a%7C0%7C0%7C638509378980995410%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=L6TwT6MSuqK35%2BNa%2BmeHa2bdSz6vU06cATPk0BtKEnc%3D&reserved=0) where you will find lots of useful forms in regards to CD incidents and destructions as well as useful contacts.

**Do you offer travel vaccines/clinics and/or advice?**Healthcare staff involved in the provision of travel advice are reminded that pilgrims are required to have received MenACWY vaccine at least 10 days prior to travel as part of the Hajj/Umrah visa. This requirement should be highlighted to travellers seeking advice before Umrah or Hajj pilgrimage and MenACWY vaccination should be offered. **Please see attached HAS alert.**

**Out of Stocks Bulletin** – Please ensure you are familiar with the attached OOS April bulletin which covers recently discontinued medicines, back in stock lines and newly licensed medicines e.g. Ivermectin

**Diabetes** – Please see attached Diabetic Newsletter which covers GLP-1 RA Shortages, new SIGN toolkit on optimising glycaemic control….and more!