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Meet the Team – Louise Nixon



What is your current role?

Senior Pharmacist Primary Care North
Ayrshire HS&CP.

How long have you worked with
NHS A+A?

11 years.

What role(s) have you previously
held?

I started my career in community pharmacy
then transferred to hospital pharmacy and then ended moving on to primary care.
Since 2011 I been in post as a Prescribing Support Pharmacist, Prescribing Adviser
and Advanced General Practice Clinical Pharmacist.

What's the best bit of your job?

The people I work with, we have a very friendly and supportive team.

What do you do to relax outside of work?

I like spending time with my family and going long walks along the sea front with
the dog.

THIS WEEK'S COMMUNICATIONS SUMMARY

Monday 15th July – Kirstie Church – MEMO: Simulation events for community pharmacist IP's
Iain Fulton – CREON information missing from **Weekly Script 28**

aa.cpteam - Class 2 Drug Alert: Gemcitabine infusion bags

Tuesday 16th July – aa.cpteam – Class 2 Drug Alert: Pemetrexed infusion bags

Wednesday 17th July – ClinicalPCT – Message from counter fraud services

ClinicalPCT – Message from Police Scotland re stolen prescription pad

Thursday 18th July – aa.cpteam – MEMO: Protected Learning Time (PLT) for community pharmacies

Community Pharmacy Good News
Stories!



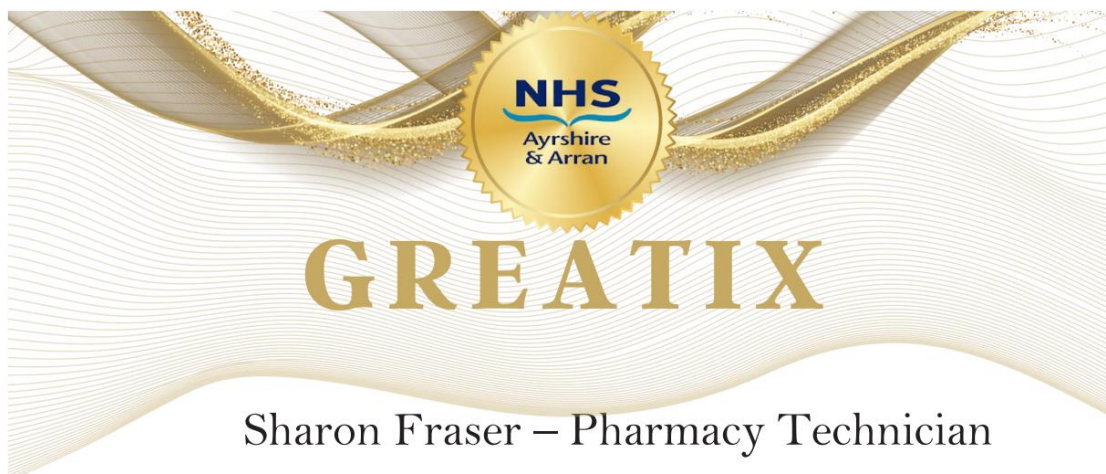
Good News Stories – Now even easier!

As you all know, we like to highlight Good News Stories in the Weekly Script to shine a
spotlight on instances where one or more members of our Community Pharmacy teams
have displayed high levels of patient care.

We appreciate that days are busy and such examples can come and go without particular
focus. As a result, we've made the process of informing us of such occasions easier, by
way of an MS form. Either scan the QR code, or follow the link [here](#) to provide some
detail for inclusion in future Weekly Scripts.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Sharon Fraser from Ayr Pharmacy who received a greatix award following the good news story featured in last week's edition of **Weekly Script**!



This Weeks Key Messages

NHS 24 PGD info – Urgent Care PGD

As you know, NHS 24 is responsible for the review/update of the National PGD for Urgent Supply of Medicines, Appliances and ACBS Products (UC PGD).

The next version (UC PGD v31) will have a new format and will be accompanied by a Medicines A-Z Look-up List. The Look-up List will mean you no longer have to refer to the BNF to identify whether a medicine can be supplied or not under the UC PGD. The UC PGD will be made up of two parts: the PGD (which still needs to be signed for legal purposes before use), and the Medicines A-Z Look-up List (which should be used alongside the PGD for reference). The attached screenshot shows what these will look like.

The Medicines Look-up List clearly defines those medicines which can (green) and cannot (red) be supplied, making it easier and quicker for you to identify this in practice. Medicines marked as amber are those medicines where supply is conditional e.g. only certain formulations are allowed.

Used together they should support you in helping anyone who has lost, run out of, or damaged a medicine, appliance or ACBS product and needs a further supply, providing them with the pharmaceutical care they need first time.

The images below are examples of what the new PGD and Medicines look-up list will look like. These have now been issued by NHS 24 and are going through the NHS A&A governance / sign off process. They will be distributed to community pharmacies and uploaded to the website once these process are completed.

SCHEDULE 1

PATIENT GROUP DIRECTION FOR THE URGENT PROVISION OF CURRENT PRESCRIBED MEDICINES, APPLIANCES AND ACES PRODUCTS LISTED IN THE BNF, BNFC AND SCOTTISH DRUG TARIFF TO NHS PATIENTS BY PHARMACISTS

BNF/BNFC Class of Medicine: Gastro-intestinal system – BNF (paper)
Gastro-intestinal system – BNF (App/Digital)

Part A: All medicines in Gastro-intestinal section of the current BNF/BNFC, with the exception of those listed in Part B of this schedule, may be provided in accordance with the terms given in this PGD to treat the following clinical conditions:

Chronic bowel disorders	Food allergy	Rectal and anal disorders
Constipation	Gastro-intestinal smooth muscle spasm	Exocrine pancreatic insufficiency
Diarrhoea	Liver disorders and related conditions	
Gastric acid disorders and ulceration	Obesity	

Medicines marked **GREEN** can be supplied under this PGD for use in managing one of the clinical conditions listed in the boxes above.

Medicines marked **YELLOW** can only be supplied under this PGD for use in managing one of the clinical conditions listed in the boxes above if relevant criteria are met.

Refer to Medicines A-Z look-up list.

Part B: The following medicines listed in Gastro-intestinal section of the current BNF/BNFC may not be provided under this PGD.

Excluded drug	Rationale
Medicines marked RED cannot be supplied under this PGD	Refer to Medicines A-Z look-up list

END

Acetabutool	YES
Acetofenac	YES
Acemecumamol	YES
Acetazolamide	ORAL PREPARATIONS ALLOWED
Acetylsalicylic acid	NO
Acetylsalicylic acid	ORAL AND EYE PREPARATIONS ALLOWED
Aciclovir	ORAL, EYE AND TOPICAL PREPARATIONS ALLOWED
Acipimox	YES
Acitretin	YES
Acidatum bromide	YES
Acidatum bromide with formoterol	YES
Acidatum	YES
Adalimumab	YES
Adapalene	YES
Adapalene with benzoyl peroxide	YES
Adefovir dipivoxil	YES

Adrenaline	NO
Adrenaline with atropine hydrochloride	NO
Adrenaline/epinephrine	SUPPLY OF ADRENALINE FOR CARE OR SELF ADMINISTRATION TO TREAT ANAPHYLAXIS IS ALLOWED
Albuterol	NO
Albuterol	NO

Community Pharmacy Protected Learning Time (PLT)

The memo was issued this week explaining this exciting new opportunity for community pharmacy teams. Next week the forms to select preferred PLT closure dates will be issued to pharmacy owners and area managers to allow their input. If you are part of a chain then you may not see the options directly and should discuss with the most appropriate colleague in your own organisation.

Specials pro-forma

An updated version of the specials proforma is attached to the weekly script e-mail and will be uploaded on to our website next week.

This version includes the addition of Capsaicin and Creon as well as some updated prices.

Public Health Poster Campaign

Please note that the next pharmacy public health campaign will be a re-run of Detecting Cancer Early. Posters will be mailed out to all pharmacies in w/c 29th July and the campaign will run until 4th September. The poster is below (front and back). A Stakeholder Toolkit is being finalised and will include 16:9 versions for anyone who wishes to use on plasma screens.



Cancer awareness campaigns

Pharmacy services have an action plan based on the Chief Medical Officers annual report. Part of this is around addressing health inequalities and looking at the prevention and early detection of disease.

To increase awareness and to prompt learning / CPD we are going to share resources each month in line with local or national awareness campaigns. The first of these is below.

Please do share any stories or activities from your pharmacies relating to awareness campaigns or activities you get involved in.



July is Sarcoma Cancer Awareness month.

Information, learning and resources can be found via the links below.

<https://sarcoma.org.uk/sarcoma-awareness-month/>

<https://www.macmillan.org.uk/cancer-awareness/sarcoma-awareness-month>

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