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GGC Medicines Information (MI) Service

GGC Medicines Update Blogs

Independent Prescribers (CPIP)

Neo®360 System

National Education for Scotland (NES) Pharmacy

NHS Heroes

NHS Pharmacy First Plus Scotland - Common Clinical Conditions (CCC)

NHS Pharmacy First Scotland

NHS Prescription Stationery

Nutrition Support Service (CPNSS)

Opiate Substitution Therapy (OST)





Out of Hours (OOH) Service

PCR (Patient Care Record) Username and Passwords

PGD (Patient Group Directions)

Palliative Care

Patient Rights

Payments

Pharmaceutical Waste

Pharmacy Champions

Pharmacy Health Improvement Team (HIT)

Pharmacy Public Health

Pharmacy Services

Polypharmacy

Prescribing

Public Health Scotland (PHS)

Public Holidays

Public Protection Service (PPS)

Realistic Medicine

Research, Study & Training (General)

Scottish Drug Deaths Taskforce

ScriptSwitch

Sexual Health

Shortages

(Serious Shortage Protocol [SSP] Publications)

Smoking Cessation

Specials

Stationery

Stoma Service

Sustainability





Webinars