AREA		INITIAL VISIT DATE:	3 MONTH REVIEW DATE:	6 MONTH REVIEW DATE:	REVALIDATION DATES:
Independent Prescriber	At least 1 independent prescriber available to deliver the Pharmacy First Plus Service for the mandatory hours (25hrs/week, 45/52wks per year) Strive to 80% opening hours				
Pharmacy Premises	At least 1 private treatment room and easy access for all.				
Sustainable Workforce	Pharmacy has not reported closures due to staffing levels over the last 12 months.				
Environment Sustainability	Pharmacy is committed to reducing its impact on the environment where possible. Signed up to the Novo pen scheme Pharmacist Home PenCycle (pen-cycle.co.uk) Understands and promotes the safe disposal of inhalers (Make each puff count and don't waste a breath campaign)				
Provides all National Services including Public Health Service Provision	Provides full and comprehensive national public health services utilising appropriately trained staff including the more recent addition of being fully trained in Naloxone administration, holding stock and distributing.				
	Public Health Service — Community Pharmacy Scotland (cps.scot)				
Public Health Champion (PHC) role	 To have at least 1 PHC who is in a non-pharmacist role. To act as a communication channel to the Public Health Practitioner (PHP) Takes a key role in health promotion within the pharmacy Can order posters and leaflets from Resources Keeps up to date with topical campaigns via PHP and NHS calendar and CP Facebook page Is fully trained in smoking cessation Is fully trained in MEOC Uses the Very Brief Advice pathway Uses the smoking and vaping pathway effectively Uses the referral pathway effectively Has a good understanding of what Healthpoint offers Cascades MEOC ethos to team 				

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Health Promoting Environment	 All staff to have an understanding of the Public Health wider determinants of health (in HBC course and PH intro and GOLD newsletter) All staff offer opportunistic interventions to promote health using a MEOC approach. All staff have an awareness of VBA, MEOC and the referral pathways. Promotes national and local campaigns Has a dedicated health promotion zone to provide access to appropriate health education information. Aware of and contributes to the National Public Health Scotland's health improvement priorities Has access to a computer and printer Promotes Public Health services and CPS mandatory campaigns on their own social media and website pages 		
Smoking Cessation Services.	 Promotes smoking cessation at all times and actively makes efforts to sign people up using MEOC and VBA. 		
	Heightens smoking cessation promotion at relevant times (e.g. No Smoking Day and New Year). Has at least 1 Pharmacist who is "IMPACT" trained (45 mins online⊡part only) ASH Scotland eLearning: Log in to thesite (ashscotlandmoodle.org. uk) (use enrolment key Grampian11)		
	 Has more than 1 staff member who is fully trained in putting information onto PCR regularly. Strive for missed submissions to be below 10% every quarter. Strive to always improve 12 week success rate – aim for 25% quit rate success (Scotland's pharmacy average is around 22%) 		
Training and Development	 PHC (and all staff in time) to complete all mandatory training (will be sent once confirmed place, all online) Participation in learning to embed culture of continuous learning and professional development for all staff. Maintains accurate training records of all staff. Keeps up to date with Public Health news and developments by 		

	reading the weekly newsletters, the Gold monthly newsletter (6 editions), Community Pharmacy FB page and checking the PCS website page regularly. • Ensure the most recent criteria is constantly being actioned. Community Pharmacy Grampian -NHSG Facebook (Facebook page) NHS Community Pharmacy Website		
	(scot.nhs.uk) (smoking cessation page) NHS Community Pharmacy Website (scot.nhs.uk) (health promotion page)		
Engagement and Compliance with Locally Enhanced Services	 Full compliance with the details and requirements of Locally Enhanced Services as specified in the Local Service Level Agreements. Strives to provide all optional locally enhanced optional services Offers free sanitary protection items and/or promotes App Offers free condoms Signed up for "Safe Space" scheme To stock BBV kits and strive towards doing the test inhouse where time allows. Green bag scheme participation May be asked to participate in small pilot projects 		
Business Continuity	Pharmacy has a robust business continuity plan in place and ALL staff are aware of procedures.		
GPhC Inspection Status	Minimum inspection result of "standards all met", with a view to achieving higher status in future inspections Outcomes from inspections General Pharmaceutical Council (pharmacyregulation.org) Pharmacy Inspections GPhC Standards (pharmacyregulation.org		
Quality Improvement Working	Pharmacy is committed to QI work – to show examples. (consider how this could be achieved moving forward with advanced PH work)		

Pharmacies new to GOLD award will have 3 official visits (plus any further informal support) from their Public Health Practitioner:

- Initial visit with lead Pharmacist and Public Health Champion(s) to discuss criteria, training package and actions. (approx. 1 hour max)
- Three month visit to discuss progress and highlight actions still required. (approx. 30-45 mins)
- Six month visit to sign off criteria as complete or highlight areas of concern for further work (approx. 30-45 mins)

Revalidating Pharmacies will have a 6 month check-in by email where they will self-assess and must declare that they are meeting everything on the most current criteria list or highlight areas for improvement. They will have a visit in the New Year and any actions will be highlighted to them to be actioned before end of March.

Certificates and badges will be awarded before end March 2026

