

Pharmacy & Medicines Directorate Monthly Round-Up

Issue 9, May 2026.

Find the below important communications shared over the last month. Please be reminded that all weekly updates are uploaded to the Community Pharmacy website alongside all supporting documentation: [PCS Weekly Updates – NHS Grampian](#)

- **DRUG SAFETY UPDATE – NASAL DECONGESTANT SPRAYS AND DROPS CONTAINING XYLOMETAZOLINE HYDROCHLORIDE / OXYMETAZOLINE HYDROCHLORIDE**
Shared on 5th May 2026.
- **ALERT OF DRUG HARMS**
Shared on 5th May 2026.
- **NHS GRAMPIAN SEXUAL HEALTH ADVICE QUERIES**
Shared on 5th May 2026.
- **UPDATED PROCEDURE: NHS GRAMPIAN PATIENT GROUP DIRECTION (PGD) SUBMISSIONS**
Shared on 5th May 2026.
- **SMOKING CESSATION: TOP PERFORMING PHARMACIES FOR Q3 OCT-DEC 2025, PAYMENTS FOR SUCESSFUL 12-WEEK SMOKING CESSATION PATIENTS WHO HAVE MISSED THE PCR WINDOW**
Shared on 5th May 2026.
- **PSD SCOTLAND PHARMACY UPDATE – MAY 2026**
Shared on 5th May 2026.
- **NHS GRAMPIAN PILOT WALK-IN SERVICE**
Shared on 12th May 2026.
- **VULNERABLE ADULT AND CHILD PROTECTION LETTER**
Shared on 12th May 2026.
- **QUANTITY OF MEDICATION SUPPLIED ON PPCD FORMS**
Shared on 12th May 2026.
- **CO-SLEEP ADVICE FOR MEDICINES THAT CAUSE DROWSINESS**
Shared on 12th May 2026.
- **UPDATED PROCEDURE – NHS GRAMPIAN PATIENT GROUP DIRECTION (PGD) SUBMISSIONS**
Shared on 12th May 2026.
- **SMOKING CESSATION: POSTER CAMPAIGN CORRECTION**
Shared on 12th May 2026.
- **BURSARY FOR PHARMACY WORKERS AND THEIR FAMILIES**
Shared on 12th May 2026.
- **INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN MSC DISSERTATION STUDY**
Shared on 12th May 2026.
- **AGENCY REFERRALS**
Shared on 19th May 2026.
- **REMINDER: SELECTED LIST SCHEME (SLS) UPDATE**

Shared on 19th May 2026.

- **CONTROLLED DRUGS INCIDENTS REPORTED BY COMMUNITY PHARMACIES APRIL 2025 – MARCH 2026**

Shared on 19th May 2026.

- **CO-SLEEP ADVICE FOR MEDICINES THAT CAUSE DROWSINESS**

Shared on 19th May 2026.

- **UPDATED PROCEDURE – NHSG PATIENT GROUP DIRECTION (PGD) SUBMISSIONS**

Shared on 19th May 2026.

- **PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATE: PHYSIO REFERRALS**

Shared on 19th May 2026.

- **SMOKING CESSATION UPDATE: VARENICLINE USE**

Shared on 19th May 2026.

- **TRAUMA-INFORMED APPROACHES FOR COMMUNITY PHARMACY TEAMS – EVENING TRAINING SESSIONS**

Shared on 19th May 2026.

- **ABERDEENSHIRE ALCOHOL AND DRUGS ACTION FAMILY SUPPORT SURVEY**

Shared on 19th May 2026.

- **PATIENT GROUP DIRECTION (PGD) UPDATES**

Shared on 26th May 2026.

- **DRUG RELATED HARM – RESOURCE UPDATE**

Shared on 26th May 2026.

- **TURAS ISSUES UPDATE**

Shared on 26th May 2026.

- **SMOKING CESSATION UPDATE: VARENICLINE USE, NICOTINE PRODUCTS**

Shared on 26th May 2026.

- **PHARMACY SCHOOL ESSENTIALS GRANT**

Shared on 26th May 2026.