

# Pharmacy & Medicines Directorate Weekly Update



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## Revised Deadline for November Claim Submissions

This is to advise that similar to previous years, PSD will be making earlier payments in December, as a result NHS Grampian are required to submit payment figures at an earlier date. As a result of this PCCT require claim submissions to be received no later than **12pm on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December**. Claims received after this time will be processed the following month.

## Request for Information: Truss Network

As requested in last week’s newsletter, please could we ask all community pharmacies who offer measuring and fitting for Trusses to please email: [gram.pharmaceuticalcareservices@nhs.scot](mailto:gram.pharmaceuticalcareservices@nhs.scot), if you have not done so already. We would like to review current providers in Grampian following requests from Primary care teams.

As a reminder, please [click here](#) to view payments for the service.

## SRH Fitters (Coils/Implants) Forum Update Session

Please find attached the Registration Flyer and Programme for the **SRH Fitters (Coils/Implants) Forum Update**, which will be held on **Monday 9 December 2024**, which is being held online via **Microsoft Teams**, for your attention.

A link to the meeting invitation will be issued by Friday 6 December 2024 for those who booked via Turas Learn, so please contact [gram.srhtraining@nhs.scot](mailto:gram.srhtraining@nhs.scot) if you have any issues.

## World AMR Awareness Week Feedback

Please [click here](#) to access the short feedback form to collate feedback from community pharmacists in NHS Grampian about 2024 World Antimicrobial Resistance Awareness Week campaign materials and activities. It would be really helpful if you could spend 5 minutes completing this.

## Smoking Cessation Update

### Smoking Cessation Programme “Shared Care” Approach for Multiple Attempt Patients

As per the Smoking and Vaping Pathway (attached), patients should be considered for referral to the specialist smoking service (Healthpoint) after 2 failed attempts within the pharmacy setting. Data analysis has shown that there are many patients who have had multiple attempts within a 12 month period. Starting this month, the patients who have had 4 or more attempts will now receive a call from a specialist smoking advisor with an offer to receive added behavioural support via telephone. This will not affect the pharmacy service and you don’t need to do anything to trigger the extra support.

We thought it may be useful for you to have a patient information leaflet to give all new sign-ups and you'll find that attached for easy printing.

As always, please contact your PH Practitioner with any queries.

## Community Pharmacy Scotland Round-Up

Latest SG Circular

 <p><b>PCA(P)(2024)33 - Extension to Serious Shortage Protocols for Ramipril 2.5mg Tablets and Creon® Gastro-resistant Capsules</b></p> <p>This Circular advises community pharmacy contractors that the Serious Shortage Protocol ...</p> <p>21 Nov 2024</p>	 <p><b>PCA(P)(2024)32 - New Universal Claim Framework (UCF) Module For Pharmacy First Plus</b></p> <p>This Circular advises community pharmacy contractors of a new Universal Claim Framework ...</p> <p>1 Nov 2024</p>	 <p><b>PCA(P)(2024) 31 – Extension to SSP for Isosorbide Mononitrate (Monomax XL 60mg) Modified-Release Tablet</b></p> <p>This Circular advises community pharmacy contractors that the Serious Shortage Protocol ...</p> <p>24 Oct 2024</p>
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## The Happy Place 😊

*A huge congratulations to Buchanhaven Pharmacy – which opened TWENTY YEARS ago, and are delighted to still have a number of staff still working there today. They continue to be an integral part of the community in Peterhead.*



*Please remember we would like to continue this section as an opportunity for reward, recognition and good news stories of the teams who read this! Please submit any items for inclusion to: [gram.pharmaceuticalcareservices@nhs.scot](mailto:gram.pharmaceuticalcareservices@nhs.scot).*

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