Pharmacy & Medicines Directorate Weekly Update



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Patient Group Direction for the Administration of Combined Hepatitis A and B Vaccines for Travel Indications. Version 2.3

Please find attached the recently updated and authorised PHS PGD; this supersedes all previous versions.

Naloxone Drop-in Training Sessions

Following on from the Naloxone training evening that was held on 13th August 2025, the substance use pharmacy team are offering further Naloxone training sessions. These will be held on Microsoft Teams:

- Thursday 6th November 2025, from 12.30pm 1pm: <u>Community pharmacy naloxone service-drop in training 6th Nov | Meeting-Join | Microsoft Teams</u>
- Friday 7th November 2025, from 3.30pm 4pm: <u>Community pharmacy naloxone service-drop in training</u>
 7th Nov | Meeting-Join | Microsoft Teams

They will be short drop in sessions that any staff member is welcome to attend. A brief overview of the two naloxone services in community pharmacy will be provided, and it is an opportunity for anyone to ask any questions they may have about the services.

There is no need to register or book, please just use the links above to join. The substance use pharmacy team look forward to seeing you there.

The link to the full training evening held on 13th of August 2025 can be accessed under the training section here.

Smoking Cessation Update

Missing CO Monitors

Unfortunately a couple of monitors which were delivered to NHS health centres for collection by pharmacies have gone missing after delivery. At £200 each, this is problematic and therefore a halt has been put on internal deliveries to GP practices and Health Centres.

If you are still awaiting your CO monitor, we will be in touch to update you with options.

Community Pharmacy Scotland Round-Up



20/10/2025 • Graham Le Tissie

Medicines Care and Review (MCR) Ready Reckoner

This week's MCR Ready Reckoner has been updated and is now available to download or you can view it via the App.



16/10/2025 • Gordon Winter

Norwegian Visitor to Edinburgh Pharmacy

Last week, Community Pharmacy Scotland (CPS) welcomed a visitor from Norway to Edinburgh. Birgitte Lloyd, President of the Norwegian Association of Pharmacists was in Scotland to learn more about the Scottish Community Pharmacy contract and services, as well as build on her own knowledge of Scotlish culture.



16/10/2025 • Gordon Winter

FAST Educational Sessions Available for Pharmacy Teams

The Scottish Government are funding training for Primary Care teams to more quickly identify the symptoms of a stroke.



15/10/2025 • Gill Paterson

Weight Management & Community Pharmacy in Scotland

Community Pharmacy Scotland calls for the community pharmacy network to be commissioned to deliver a national NHS weight loss service, focussing on the direct use of medicines.

The Happy Place ©

Happy Pharmacy Technician Day! Today, we celebrate the incredible pharmacy technicians in Grampian who help keep our community pharmacies running smoothly. Thank you for your commitment to safety and efficiency, we all appreciate everything you do!



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.

All weekly updates are uploaded to the CP Grampian website.

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