

Pharmacy & Medicines Directorate Weekly Update



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PGD for the Supply of Paracetamol Oral Suspension 120mg/5ml by Pharmacists to Babies between 6 and 8 Weeks of Age for Prevention of Post Immunisation Fever, V1.1

Please find attached the recently amended, approved and authorised NoS PGD; which supersedes all previous versions.

Patient Group Direction For The Supply Of Paracetamol Oral Suspension 120mg/5mL By Pharmacists To Babies Between 6 And 8 Weeks Of Age For Prevention Of Post Immunisation Fever Following Administration Of Meningococcal Group B Conjugate Vaccine (Bexsero®) Within NHS Grampian, Orkney, Shetland, Tayside And Western Isles, Version 1.1

PGD for the Supply and/or Administration of Levonorgestrel (LNG-EC) 1500micrograms Tablet(s) for Emergency Contraception, V3.1

Please find attached the recently updated SPS PGD; this supersedes all previous versions.

Patient Group Direction For The Supply And/Or Administration Of Levonorgestrel (LNG-EC) 1500micrograms Tablet(s) For Emergency Contraception By Approved Healthcare Professionals Working Within NHS Grampian, Highland, Orkney, Shetland, Tayside And Western Isles, Version 3.1

PGD for the Supply and/or Administration of Ulipristal Acetate Emergency Contraception (UPA-EC), V3.1

Please find attached the recently updated SPS PGD; this supersedes all previous versions.

Patient Group Direction For The Supply And/Or Administration Of Ulipristal Acetate Emergency Contraception (UPA-EC) By Approved Healthcare Professionals Working Within NHS Grampian, Highland, Orkney, Shetland, Tayside And Western Isles, Version 3.1

Emergency Contraception Patient Group Directions TURAS Modules Update

Please note that the link to *Responding to Rape and Sexual Assault in Community Pharmacies* within the Emergency Contraception PGD's for pharmacist training has now been updated to the following: [Disclosure of rape or sexual assault \(SARCS\) | Turas | Learn](#).

Community Pharmacies Currently Contracted to Supply Injecting Equipment (IEP)

Please find the attached information on two injecting equipment provision surveys. As part of the injecting provision service level agreement pharmacies are required to participate in service evaluation and audit.

The IEP Survey attachment details a piece of joint work which aims to share learning across Injecting Equipment Providers (IEP) in Grampian. **This survey must be completed by all injecting equipment providers and the survey link is within the attachment.**

The Needle Exchange Surveillance Initiative (NESI) letter also attached is a national initiative which aims to measure and monitor the prevalence of blood-borne viruses – hepatitis C virus and HIV – and injecting risk behaviours among people who inject drugs (PWID) in Scotland. Pharmacies who provide injecting equipment may be contacted regarding participating in the data collection. Not all pharmacies will be contacted but the attached document provides more information should you be selected to participate.

We appreciate your support with these, and for all your ongoing work with injecting equipment provision.

Lucy Skea, Bethany Potter, Substance Use Pharmacists NHS Grampian

Public Health Update

Gold Awards

We have finished a round of visits to sign off new GOLD pharmacies and revalidate current GOLD pharmacies. Right now there are **22** pharmacies in Grampian achieving the GOLD criteria, well done to you all!

Moving forward, there will be some changes to the award and we will share more information on this and invite new pharmacies to sign up in May/June.



Pharmacy First Simulation Training Evening

The first Pharmacy First Simulation Training Evening was held on 18th March at the Aberdeen Dental Education Centre. This scenario-based learning event brought together a range of healthcare professionals, including pharmacy, optometry, and dental colleagues.

The session was extremely well received, with many attendees reporting increased confidence in their prescribing practice. What clearly stood out was the value of face-to-face learning and peer discussion, highlighting the value of shared learning among Independent Prescribers.



Save the Date: Training Sessions

FAST Education	<p><i>New dates have been added, as detailed below:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday 6th May, 3pm • Tuesday 19th May, 9am • Wednesday 3rd June, 3pm • Thursday 25th June, 10am 	<p>Chest Heart and Stroke Scotland are running an education session in partnership with the Scottish Government, aiming to improve stroke recognition.</p> <p>To sign up for the 30 minute online sessions, please find the QR code on the attached flyer.</p>
National Workforce and Education Conference 2026	<p>Thursday 23rd and Friday 24th April 2026</p>	<p>Registration is now open for the National Workforce and Education Conference 2026, taking place online on Thursday 23 and Friday 24 April 2026. Building on the success of last year's event, this year's theme "Collaborate. Innovate. Transform: Delivering change towards improving health, social care and other public services in Scotland" sets the tone for two days of shared learning and forward-thinking practice.</p> <p>National Workforce and Education Conference 2026 - Collaborate. In</p>
Introduction to Sexual Health Course	<p>Friday 8th May 2026 from 9am - 12pm on MS Teams.</p>	<p>Please find the attached flyer to register for the upcoming Introduction to Sexual Health course. Any enquires should be directed to: gram.srhttraining@nhs.scot.</p>

Community Pharmacy Scotland Round-Up



13/04/2026 • Graham Le Tissier

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.



09/04/2026 • Adam Osprey

CPS Board Update: April 2026 Top Three Items

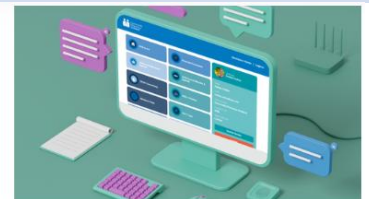
An overview of the CPS Board's top three items for April 2026, including pre-election activity, future resilience planning and policy development.



09/04/2026 • Graham Le Tissier

The CPS Snapshot - 06.04.2026

Welcome to the **CPS Snapshot**, a new weekly update designed to keep our members informed about the work Community Pharmacy Scotland is doing on your behalf.



09/04/2026 • Robbie Collins

The Community Pharmacy Scotland Members' Area - Under Maintenance

We would like to inform members that the Members' Area of the website is now **temporarily unavailable** while we carry out essential updates and improvements.

The Happy Place 😊

April is Stress Awareness Month. In the busy pharmacy world it's worth checking-in with yourself and your colleagues to look at ways to manage stress. Lots of good advice here: [Handling stress | NHS inform](#).



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.

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